Department of Human Services
Office of Children, Youth and Families

November 17, 2020

JONATHAN SWATSBURG, DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT
CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, INC.
2840 LIBERTY AVENUE, SUITE 300
PITTSBURGH, PA, 15222

RE: ABRAXAS OPEN RESIDENTIAL
10058 S. MOUNTAIN RD., BLDG. 6
P.O. BOX 354
SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA, 17261
LICENSE/COC#: 31032

Dear Mr. Swatsburg,

As a result of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families licensing inspections on 10/21/2020 through 10/23/2020 of the above facility, the citations specified on the enclosed Licensing Inspection Summary (LIS) were found.

We have determined that your plan of correction is: Acceptable

All citations specified on the plan of correction must be corrected by the dates specified on the License Inspection Summary (violation report) and continued compliance with Department statutes and regulations must be maintained.

Sincerely,
Jessica Brown

Enclosure
Licensing Inspection Summary (LIS)

cc: Pennsylvania Office of Children, Youth and Families

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LICENSING INSPECTION SUMMARY

55 PA.CODE CHAPTER 3800

Agency/Facility Information

Name: *ABRAXAS OPEN RESIDENTIAL*
License Number: *31032*
Address: *10058 S. MOUNTAIN RD., BLDG. 6, P.O. BOX 354, SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA 17261*
License Expiration: *08/01/2021*
County: *FRANKLIN*
Phone: *4122084000*

Inspection Information

Start Date: *10/21/2020*
End Date: *10/23/2020*
Type: *Complaint*
Notice: *Announced Visit*
Inspector(s): *Jessica Brown*

Inspection Narrative

The Department of Human Services conducted a Complaint Investigation Inspection of Abraxas Open Residential on 10/23/2020. During the review, 2 of 2 child records and 2 of 2 personnel records were reviewed. Two children and two staff members were interviewed.

Inspections / Reviews

10/21/2020 - Complaint

Lead Inspector: *Jessica Brown*
Follow-Up Type: *POC Submission*
Follow-Up Date: *11/16/2020*

11/16/2020 - POC Submission

Lead Reviewer: *Diana Yost*
Follow-Up Type: *On-site Verification*

3800.57 Supervision

1. **Requirements**

3800.57. Supervision.

a. While children are at the facility, children shall be supervised during awake and sleeping hours by conducting observational checks of each child at least every hour.

b. Observational checks of children specified in subsection (a) shall include actual viewing of each child.

Description of Violation

On the evening of 10/14/2020 going into 10/15/2020, Staff Members A and B did not complete observational checks of Child #2 for approximately four hours by actually viewing the child. Child #2 was able to stuff their bed with clothes and go into Child #1's bedroom and engage in consensual intercourse.

The agency shall develop a plan to ensure that this mandate is being met. The plan shall identify the staff position responsible for monitoring and ensuring regulatory compliance.

Plan of Correction **Accept**

The overnight supervisor completed supervisory conferences with all overnight staff, including staff members A and B, detailing the proper protocols for observational checks and reviewing facility policy OP-19 Overnight Headcount – Guard One System. Additionally, the overnight supervisor completed training with all overnight staff, including staff members A and B, demonstrating the proper method of conducting observational checks, to include actually viewing the child. All supervisory conferences and the training were completed by October 31, 2020. Staff members A and B also received corrective action.

Beginning November 1, 2020, the overnight supervisor and members of the senior management team will conduct unannounced rounds twice per month during the overnight shift. During rounds, the assigned supervisor will verify observational checks are being completed as required. Unannounced rounds and the findings will be documented and submitted to the quality & compliance specialist. The quality & compliance specialist will monitor the process for 60 days or until compliance is achieved and sustained.

Completion Date: *11/17/2020* Plan Accepted 11/16/2020 DY

Jessica Brown POC Verified JB 11/16/2020

Diana Yost 11/16/2020 GW 11/16/2020