Department of Human Services
Office of Children, Youth and Families

February 24, 2021

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

RE: CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP,INC-
ABRAXAS ACADEMY-SECURE
RESIDENTIA
1000 ACADEMY DR., P.O.BOX 645
MORGANTOWN, PA, 19543
LICENSE/COC#: 14404

Dear Mr. Swatsburg,

As a result of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families licensing inspections on 01/25/2021 through 01/29/2021 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,
Colleen Cahill

Enclosure
Licensing Inspection Summary (LIS)

cc: Pennsylvania Office of Children, Youth and Families

Department of Human Services
Office of Children, Youth and Families
LICENSING INSPECTION SUMMARY - PUBLIC
55 PA.CODE CHAPTER 3800

Agency/Facility Information

Name: *CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP,INC-ABRAXAS ACADEMY-SECURE RESIDENTIA*
License Number: *14404*
Address: *1000 ACADEMY DR., P.O.BOX 645, MORGANTOWN, PA 19543*
License Expiration: *01/25/2022*
County: *BERKS*
Phone: *6109138000*

Inspection Information

Start Date: *01/25/2021*
End Date: *01/29/2021*
Type: *Complaint*
Notice: *Announced Visit*
Inspector(s): *Colleen Cahill*

Inspection Narrative

The Department completed an investigation on January 25, 2021 through January 29, 2021 and the following regulatory citation was found:

Inspections / Reviews

01/25/2021 - Complaint

Lead Inspector: *Colleen Cahill*
Follow-Up Type: *POC Submission*
Follow-Up Date: *02/12/2021*

2/19/2021 - POC Submission

Lead Reviewer: *Colleen Cahill*
Follow-Up Type: *On-site Verification*

3800.32 Specific Rights

1. **Requirements**

3800.32.c. A child has the right to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect.

Description of Violation

On [redacted] 2021, child number 1 was not treated with fairness, dignity or respect by staff member A. Staff member A gave child number 1 the middle finger two times. Staff member A also kicked a table which resulted in hitting child number 1 in the chest.

Plan of Correction **Accept**

The director of psychology provided supervision and training to staff member A [redacted], 2021. They discussed staff member A's behaviors during the incident and identified his triggers. They reviewed de-escalation techniques, operational structure, and the utilization of emotional intelligence.

By [redacted] 2021, the assistant director will provide training to all employees on the importance of treating clients with dignity and respect, specifically referencing the program's Clients Rights and the regulation in 55 PA Code, Chapter 3800.32(c). Training documentation will be filed in each employee's training file. By [redacted] 2021, the human resources coordinator will verify in a leadership meeting that each employee completed the training. The facility director will monitor the process until all employees have completed the training.

Completion Date: *02/23/2021*