Department of Human Services
Office of Children, Youth and Families
Licensing Inspection Summary - Public
55 PA.CODE CHAPTER 3800

July 2, 2024

[redacted], DIRECTOR
CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, LLC
2840 LIBERTY AVENUE, SUITE 300
PITTSBURGH, PA, 15222

RE: ABRAXAS YOUTH CENTER
BLDG 3,SOUTH MOUNTAIN REST CTR
SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA, 17261
LICENSE/COC#: 30442

Dear [redacted],

As a result of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families review on of the above facility, we have determined that your submitted plan of correction is fully implemented. Continued compliance must be maintained.

Please note that you are required to post this Licensing Inspection Summary at your facility in a conspicuous location.

Sincerely,
[redacted]

cc: Pennsylvania Office of Children, Youth and Families

Agency/Facility Information

Name: *ABRAXAS YOUTH CENTER*
Address: *BLDG 3,SOUTH MOUNTAIN REST CTR, SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA 17261*
County: *FRANKLIN*
License Number: *30442*
License Expiration: *08/01/2024*

Administrator

Name: [redacted] **Phone:** [redacted] **Email:** [redacted]

Legal Entity

Name: *CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, LLC*
Address: *2840 LIBERTY AVENUE, SUITE 300, PITTSBURGH, PA, 15222*
Phone: [redacted] **Email:** [redacted]

Inspection Information

Start Date: *04/02/2024* **End Date:** *04/02/2024* **Type:** *Renewal* **Notice:** *Announced Visit*

Inspector(s): [redacted]

Inspection Narrative

The Department of Human Services conducted an Annual Licensing Inspection of Cornell Abraxas - Abraxas Youth Center on April 2-4, 2024 for the licensing year extending from August 1, 2023 to August 1, 2024. During the inspection, Departmental Staff reviewed 93 of 93 tenured personnel records, 21 of 21 newly hired personnel records, and 10 of 126 child records. Departmental Staff reviewed all pre-inspection documents, including fire drills, to measure compliance. During the inspection, a physical site walk through was conducted. 2 staff members and 2 children were interviewed.

The following areas of noncompliance were noted:

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04/02/2024 - Renewal

Lead Inspector: [redacted] **Follow Up Type:** *POC Submission* **Follow Up Date:** *05/04/2024*

06/13/2024 POC Submission

Reviewer: [redacted] **Follow-Up Type:** *On-site Verification* **Follow-Up Date:** *06/19/2024*

06/13/2024 - On-site Verification

Submitted By: [redacted] **Date Submitted:** *05/29/2024*
Reviewer: [redacted] **Follow-Up Type:** *Not Required*

3800.32 Specific Rights

1. Requirements

3800.32.j. A child has the right to practice the religion or faith of choice, or not to practice any religion or faith.

Description of Violation

In 1 of 10 child records reviewed, the record of Child J included concerns that the child expressed regarding having their hair cut as part of the program requirements, as the child stated that it was against the child's religion.

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

Plan of Correction ***Accept ([redacted] - 06/10/2024)***

Effective May 15th, 2024 the program no longer requires a haircut as part of the admission process.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *05/29/2024*

On-site Verification ***Implemented ([redacted] - 07/01/2024)***

This plan was verified on 06/26/2024. [redacted]

3800.151 Staff Health Statement

2. Requirements

3800.151. A staff person or volunteer who comes into direct contact with the children or who prepares or serves food, shall have a statement signed and dated by a licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner or licensed physician's assistant, within 12 months prior to working with children or food service and every 2 years thereafter, stating that the person is free of serious communicable disease that may be spread through casual contact or that the staff person has a serious communicable disease that may be spread through casual contact but is able to work in the facility if specific precautions are taken that will prevent the spread of the disease to children.

Description of Violation

In 1 of 93 tenured personnel records reviewed, Staff Member A had a health statement completed on 09/09/2021, and an updated health statement was not completed until 09/10/2023.

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

Plan of Correction ***Accept ([redacted] - 06/10/2024)***

Beginning June 10, 2024, the Human Resources Business Partner will send a weekly email to the Executive Director with a list of the due dates for upcoming required HR documentation, to include two-year communicable disease statements. The Executive Director will add the list to the supervisory and managerial notes to be reviewed weekly with the leadership team. Supervisors will be responsible to follow up with their employees to ensure HR is provided the documentation prior to the due date.

The Human Resources Business Partner will also email reminders to the employee outlining the document (e.g., communicable disease statement) that is coming due along with the due date. The Human Resources Business Partner will monitor the completion of required documentation and report to the Executive Director when documentation has not been received prior to the due date.
The Quality Compliance Specialist will monitor the process for 60 days or until compliance is achieved.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *06/10/2024*

3800.151 Staff Health Statement *(continued)*

On-site Verification ***Implemented (- 07/01/2024)***

This plan was implemented on 6/26/2024.