

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

March 12, 2026

[REDACTED], CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, LLC.
2840 LIBERTY AVENUE, SUITE 300
PITTSBURGH, PA, 15226

RE: CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, LLC.
ABRAXAS 1 EXPLORER DORM 5
165 ABRAXAS ROAD
MARIENVILLE, PA, 16239
LICENSE/COC#: 41126

Dear [REDACTED]

As a result of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families licensing inspections on 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

Please submit documentation verifying compliance in SansWrite as corrective actions are implemented. The Department will review this documentation to determine compliance. Please note that in order for the Department to verify your compliance, you are required to upload documentation into SansWrite AFTER the Plan of Correction has been accepted by the Department, and not with the initial submission of your Plan of Correction.

Submit documentation electronically by **03/17/2026**.

If you need assistance regarding submission of evidence to demonstrate compliance, please contact me at
or email [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Western Region Director

Enclosure

Licensing Inspection Summary (LIS)

cc: Pennsylvania Office of Children, Youth and Families

Agency/Facility Information

Name: CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, LLC.-ABRAXAS 1-EXPLORER DORM 5

License Number: 41126

Address: 165 ABRAXAS ROAD, MARIENVILLE, PA 16239

License Expiration: 06/01/2026

County: FOREST

Administrator

Name: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Legal Entity

Name: CORNELL ABRAXAS GROUP, LLC.

Address: 2840 LIBERTY AVENUE, SUITE 300, PITTSBURGH, PA, 15226

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Inspection Information

Start Date: 12/01/2025

End Date: 12/01/2025

Type: Complaint

Notice: Announced Visit

Inspector(s): [REDACTED]

Inspection Narrative

The Department received a complaint for Abraxas 1 that a resident may have been unnecessarily restrained in the school classroom. The incident was caught on the classroom camera. For the complaint investigation, the video of the incident was reviewed and the Executive Director was interviewed and provided documentation related to the incident.

Inspections / Reviews

12/01/2025 Complaint

Lead Inspector: [REDACTED]

Follow-Up Type: POC Submission

Follow-Up Date: 12/12/2025

03/12/2026 - POC Submission

Submitted By: [REDACTED]

Date Submitted: 12/12/2025

Reviewer: [REDACTED]

Follow-Up Type: Document Submission Follow-Up Date: 03/17/2026

3800.32 Specific Rights**1. Requirements**

3800.32.b. A child may not be abused, mistreated, threatened, harassed or subject to corporal punishment.

Description of Violation

On [REDACTED], Child A was restrained unnecessarily by Staff A. According to the complaint, Child A was sitting in [REDACTED] desk in the classroom and humming. Staff A attempted to redirect Child A to stop humming or to leave the classroom, but Child A continued [REDACTED] behavior. Staff A reportedly lost [REDACTED] composure, walked over to the child, [REDACTED] and restrained [REDACTED] on the floor. The child was not injured during the incident. By doing so, the staff "mistreated" the child.

Plan of Correction

Accept [REDACTED] - 01/30/2026)

On November 24, 2025, upon completion of an internal investigation, the Executive Director informed Staff Member A they would be receiving a First Written Warning Corrective Action in response to the incident, with the date pending Human Resource approval. Approval was received 12/9/2025 and Corrective Action issued 12/10/2025 to Staff Member A. Additionally, the following plan was established for Staff Member A:

1. Attend new hire 3-day SCM training (18 hrs. – December 10-12, 2025)
 2. Complete the following training modules in Relias on or before December 12, 2025:
 - A Client's Experience of Trauma Informed Care (1.25 hrs., Course Code: REL-BHC-0-ISPHB)
 - An Overview of Trauma-Informed Care for Non-Clinical Staff (1 hr., Course Code: REL-BHC-0-AOTICNCS)
 - Handling Aggressive Behaviors (.5 hrs., Course Code: REL-PAC-0-HABXY)
 - Preventing and Handling Crisis Situations (1.0 hr., Course Code: REL-ACU-0-PHCS)
 3. Verification of all completed training will be maintained in Staff Member A's training record.
 4. Staff Member A will meet with his supervisor monthly for a period of 90 days to review de-escalation and crisis management strategies for training and developmental feedback. He was advised that failure to complete training and remediation requirements may result in suspension and/or further corrective action.
- By January 16, 2026, during a team meeting in Explorer dorm, the Interim Director of Operations will review the importance of the key principles of Dignity and Respect, Role Modeling, and Teamwork and Communication, specifically when intervening with clients. He will also remind staff members that physical interventions cannot be used in a punitive manner or out of frustration with a client but may only be used to prevent a client from injuring himself or others. Attendance at this meeting will be documented in the team meeting minutes.
- The Executive Director is responsible for this plan of correction and will monitor the completion of the process until compliance is achieved.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: 01/16/2026

3800.202 Appropriate Use of Restrictive Procedures

2. Requirements

3800.202.a. A restrictive procedure may not be used in a punitive manner, for the convenience of staff persons or as a program substitution.

Description of Violation

On [REDACTED] Child A was unnecessarily placed in a restrictive procedure that was used by Staff A. According to the complaint, Child A was sitting in his desk in the classroom and humming. Staff A attempted to redirect Child A to stop humming or to leave the classroom, but Child A continued [REDACTED] behavior. Staff A reportedly lost [REDACTED] composure, walked over to the child, [REDACTED], and restrained [REDACTED] on the floor. The child was not injured during the incident. At no time during the video did it appear that Child A was a threat to himself or anyone else in the classroom, thus making the restraint unnecessary. Abraxas leadership reviewed the video and confirmed that the restraint was unnecessary.

Plan of Correction

Accept ([REDACTED] - 01/05/2026)

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