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

August 4, 2026

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

RE: ABRAXAS YOUTH CENTER
10058 SOUTH MOUNTAIN RD
BUILDING 3
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: *10058 SOUTH MOUNTAIN RD, SOUTH MOUNTAIN, PA 17261*
County: *FRANKLIN*
License Number: *30442*
License Expiration: *08/01/2026*

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: *03/30/2026* **End Date:** *04/03/2026* **Type:** *Renewal* **Notice:** *Announced Visit*

Inspector(s):
[redacted]

Inspection Narrative

The Department of Human Services conducted an Annual Licensing Inspection of Abraxas Secure Care Program - South Mountain on March 30-April 3, 2026 for the licensing year extending from August 1, 2025 to August 1, 2026. During the inspection, Departmental Staff reviewed 87 of 87 tenured personnel records, 68 of 68 newly hired personnel records, and 10 of 128 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. 3 staff members and 2 children were interviewed.

The following areas of non-compliance were noted:

Inspections / Reviews

03/30/2026 - Renewal

Lead Inspector: [redacted] **Follow Up Type:** *POC Submission* **Follow Up Date:** *05/08/2026*

06/05/2026 POC Submission

Submitted By: [redacted] **Date Submitted:** *06/11/2026*
Reviewer: [redacted] **Follow Up Type:** *POC Submission* **Follow Up Date:** *06/11/2026*

06/26/2026 POC Submission

Reviewer: [redacted] **Follow-Up Type:** *On-site Verification* **Follow-Up Date:** *07/24/2026*

06/26/2026 - On-site Verification

Submitted By: [redacted] **Date Submitted:** *06/11/2026*
Reviewer: [redacted] **Follow-Up Type:** *Not Required*

3800.32 Specific Rights

1. Requirements

3800.32.c. A child has the right to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect.
3800.32.o. A child has the right to clean, seasonal clothing that is age and gender appropriate.

Description of Violation

In 1 of 10 child records reviewed, Child J was admitted to the facility on [redacted]. A grievance was filed by the child on [redacted] regarding the need of appropriately sized shoes. The child did not receive the appropriately sized shoes until [redacted]. Child J had been wearing size 11 shoes, when Child J needed size 9 shoes.

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] - 05/22/2026)***

Since the issue as stated in the citation another member of leadership has taken over the supply inventory process. By June 1 2026, a living inventory spreadsheet will be created to monitor the intake and output of supplies. This will provide the supervisor with a better gauge of items that need to be ordered month to month and to better manage building supplies. In the event of a shortage that would cause a dignity/ respect issue, the program will outsource to department stores, and the neighboring program for supplies. The Program Manager will monitor this process for 60 days or until compliance is achieved.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *06/01/2026*

On-site Verification ***Implemented ([redacted] - 07/29/2026)***

POC implemented and verified on 07/17/2026

3800.51 Child Abuse and Criminal History Checks

2. Requirements

3800.51. Child abuse and criminal history checks shall be completed in accordance with 23 Pa.C.S. § § 6301—6385 (relating to the Child Protective Services Law) and Chapter 3490 (relating to protective services).

Description of Violation

In 1 of 87 tenured personal records reviewed, Staff Member B has a PSP clearance completed on 11/07/2025, and a previous Pennsylvania State Police clearance was not located in the record.

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] - 05/22/2026)***

Fall of 2025 it was identified that staff member B did not have updated clearances. Upon this information Human Resources Business Partner had staff B complete their PSP clearance again resulting in the clearance found during the licensing audit being dated for November 2025.

a. Starting June 1, 2026 the Human Resources Business Partner will run monthly reports in ADP along with the manual clearance tracking system to verify clearances coming due. The Human Resources Business Partner will directly communicate to an employee to include their supervisors/ managers when documents are coming due. The Human Resources Business Partner will also send monthly reminders to the Executive Director, Program Manager and Quality Compliance Specialist when upcoming expiring clearances are due. The Senior Human Resources

3800.51 Child Abuse and Criminal History Checks (continued)

Business Partner will monitor this plan for 90 days or until compliance is achieved.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *06/01/2026*

On-site Verification ***Implemented ([redacted] - 07/29/2026)***

POC implemented and verified on 07/17/2026

3800.58 Staff Training

3. Requirements

3800.58.b. Prior to working alone with children and within 120 calendar days after the date of hire, the director and each full-time, part-time and temporary staff person who will have regular and significant direct contact with children, shall have at least 30 hours of training to include at least the following areas:

2. 23 Pa.C.S. § § 6301—6385 (relating to child protective services law) and Chapter 3490 (relating to protective services).

Description of Violation

Training in the CPSL and Chapter 3490 related to protective services was not completed by 68 of 68 newly hired personnel.

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] - 05/22/2026)***

3. By July 31, 2026, Abraxas will establish training that reviews the CPSL to also include Chapter 3490 and by August 3, 2026, will start implementing with new hires during new hire training. The Regional Training Director will monitor for 90 days from July 31 or until compliance is achieved.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *08/03/2026*

On-site Verification ***Implemented ([redacted] - 07/29/2026)***

POC implemented and verified on 07/17/2026

4. Requirements

3800.58.d. After initial training, the director and each full-time, part-time and temporary staff person, who will have regular and significant direct contact with children, shall have at least 40 hours of training annually relating to the care and management of children. This requirement for annual training does not apply for the initial year of employment.

Description of Violation

In 1 of 87 tenured personal records reviewed, Staff Member A had 39.75 of the required 40 hours of training for the training year extending from 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2025.

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] - 05/22/2026)***

By July 1, 2026 (start of new training year) the Trainer(s) will create a tracking system to record staff's training hours on a quarterly basis. This will ensure staff have a minimum of 10 hours per quarter of training that includes the yearly training required. The Regional Training Director will monitor for compliance over the next two training quarters.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *07/01/2026*

3800.58 Staff Training *(continued)*

On-site Verification ***Implemented (- 07/29/2026)***

POC implemented and verified on 07/17/2026

3800.144 Dental Care

5. Requirements

3800.144.d. Follow-up dental work indicated by the examination, such as treatment of cavities and the application of protective sealants, shall be provided in accordance with recommendations by the licensed dentist.

Description of Violation

In 1 of 10 child records reviewed, Child E was admitted to the facility on [redacted] An initial dental exam was completed on [redacted] which noted [redacted] should occur. There was no documentation that the [redacted] occurred located in the file.

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 (- 06/17/2026)***

The medical staff tracks dental appointments via a service tracker which drives the appointment board that outlines youth who have 6-month dental exams due, follow up care required and pending dental procedures. The dentist comes to the facility two times per month and as youth are seen by the dentist, follow-up is completed or a new issue or priority presents itself the youth move position on the medical appointment board based off the service tracker. The service tracker and in turn, appointment board will be structured based off a priority scale that the contracted dentist will assign each youth/ situation and this priority will be notated on the youth's dental form. The priority will drive how soon the dentist will need to see the youth back and will be scheduled based off priority and schedule load for the following visit or other prescribed time as determined by the dentist. This will start on July 13, 2026, and compliance will be monitored by the Nurse Manager for 60 days or until compliance is achieved.

Licensee's Proposed Overall Completion Date: *09/13/2026*

On-site Verification ***Implemented (- 07/29/2026)***

POC implemented and verified on 07/17/2026