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ELECTRONIC MAIL
SOD #92G315

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Rhonda Schillinger
750 Main Street, Suite 200
Mendota Heights, MN 55118

C/O Licensee: Hudson COH II LLC

**Re: Comforts of Home Hudson II, 0014271
805 Heggen Street
Hudson, WI 54016**

Dear Rhonda Schillinger:

This letter is a statutory NOTICE of VIOLATION and imposed ORDER on the licensee of Comforts of Home Hudson II, located at 805 Heggen Street in Hudson, and sets forth appeal rights, if any. This regulatory action is taken by the Department of Health Services (Department) pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g), and Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 83.

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

On 03-07-24, a standard survey, complaint investigation, and verification visit were concluded for Comforts of Home Hudson II by the Division of Quality Assurance, Bureau of Assisted Living, to determine if the above-referenced facility was in substantial compliance with Wis. Stat. ch. 50 or Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 83, or both, which set forth requirements for the administration and operation of a community-based residential facility (CBRF). The Department is issuing Statement of Deficiency (SOD) #92G315 for violations of Wis. Stat. ch. 50 or Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 83, which establish the grounds for this action. SOD #92G315 is enclosed.

ORDER TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS

1. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(b)3., effective immediately, the licensee shall comply with the requirements specified by Wis. Stat. ch. 50 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 83 that establish the standards for the operation of the Community Based Residential Facility in order to protect and promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents.

AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AND WITHOUT DELAY, within 45 days of receipt of this notice, the licensee shall achieve and maintain substantial compliance with all requirements. All operational and resident records required as evidence of compliance with applicable rules will be available to department representatives upon request.

The Department may, without notice, conduct an inspection to verify the licensee's corrective action at any time after the date of compliance. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(cm), the department may impose a \$200 inspection fee for an on-site inspection to review compliance of violations resulting in enforcement action.

ADDITIONALLY:

WITHIN 10 DAYS of receipt of this notice, the licensee may request an extension for the date of compliance. The request for an extension must be submitted to the Assisted Living Regional Director, Northwestern Regional Office, at DHSDQABALWRO@dhs.wisconsin.gov. The Regional Director will communicate to the licensee a decision on the date of compliance extension.

SPECIAL ORDERS

Based on the results of the Department's investigation, and pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(b), **EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE and ORDER**, the Department of Health Services **HEREBY ORDERS** that **Comforts of Home Hudson II**:

1. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 50.03(5g)(b)3. and (b)6., effective immediately, the licensee shall comply with the requirements specified by Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 83.14(2)(a) and ensure that the CBRF and its operation comply with this chapter and with all other laws governing the CBRF and its operation. The licensee shall develop and implement corrective measures to resolve each deficiency identified in Statement of Deficiency (SOD) 92G315.

WITHIN 45 DAYS of receipt of this notice, the licensee's corrective measures shall include the development (or review/revision) of written procedures to address, at a minimum:

Health Monitoring:

-Including how the facility will: (a) monitor and document changes in the resident's physical or mental health; (b) notify the resident's legal representative and care manager (if any) when a resident experiences a change of condition, accident, injury, or medical emergency; (c) obtain timely medical care (clinical assessments, medications, prompt medical treatment), and (d) provide or arrange services to address each resident's health care needs.

Behavior Management:

The procedure shall include, but is not limited to: (a) identifying specific behavior patterns that are or may be harmful to the resident or others, (b) assessing and documenting contributing factors to the behaviors, (c) developing and implementing the Individualized Service Plan (ISP) with specific individualized interventions to reduce incidences of these behaviors, (d) staff response when the identified interventions are not effective, (e) monitoring the effectiveness of any behavioral intervention including the use of PRN psychotropic medications, and (f) notifying the resident's legal representative and physician when there is a significant change in a resident's mental condition.

Infection Control:

-Including how the provider will implement an infection control program based on current standards of practice to prevent the development and transmission of communicable disease and infections. The infection control program will include, at a minimum, current guidance for the prevention, identification, and monitoring of infections, including COVID-19 and influenza, along with Transmission-Based Precautions to be used when caring for residents. Resources are available at: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/hc-guidance.htm>

Training will be documented in personnel records and will include the date/duration of training, the signature/qualifications of the instructor, and an outline of course content.

A copy of the written procedure required by Order #1 will be maintained at the facility for use by staff, and will be available to department representatives upon request.

Additionally:

- All managers and resident care staff (as appropriate) will receive in-service training regarding the provider's written procedures required by Order #1.
- Training will be documented in employee files and will include the date/duration of training, the signature/qualifications of the instructor, and an outline of course content.
- A copy of the written procedures and all documentation as evidence of meeting the requirements in Order #1 will be made available to department representatives upon request.

2. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(b)6., within 7 days of receipt of this notice, the CBRF will provide the legal representative and case manager (if any) of Resident 1, Resident 4, Resident 5, Resident 6, Resident 9, Resident 12, and Resident 13, with a copy of Statement of Deficiency (SOD) 92G315 and a copy of this Notice and Order letter. The licensee shall retain documentation, acceptable to the Department and available upon request, to verify compliance with Order #2. Acceptable documentation will be a signed, certified mail receipt or a verification letter or email from each legal representative and case manager (if any).

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE*

In addition to other sanctions enumerated in Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(b)1. to 8., according Stat. § 50.03(5g)(c)1.b., the Department of Health Services may impose a forfeiture on a licensee or any other person who violates the applicable statutory provisions or administrative rules governing CBRFs. If imposed, the forfeiture amount may not be less than \$10 or more than \$1,000 per day for each violation.

The Department has determined that you violated state statutes or administrative code provisions, or both, as identified in the enclosed SOD #92G315. Therefore, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(c), **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that a total **FORFEITURE OF \$5,600 IS IMPOSED** for the following violations described in SOD #92G315.

<u>TAG</u>	<u>DHS Code</u>	<u>Forfeiture Amount</u>
N165	83.12(4)(c)	\$ 150
N196	83.14(2)(a)	\$ 500
N239	83.20(2)(a)-(d)	\$ 800
N328	83.31(4)(c)	\$ 200
N352	83.32(3)(h)	\$ 150
N389	83.35(3)(d)	\$ 500
N431	83.38(1)(g)	\$ 1,300
N433	83.38(1)(i)	\$ 1,850
N441	83.39(3)	\$ 150

Total Forfeiture Due: \$5,600

You must pay the Total Forfeiture amount within ten (10) days of receipt of this NOTICE and ORDER.

REDUCED FORFEITURE OPTION

If you choose not to appeal the forfeiture, any of the violations in SOD #92G315, **AND** any Orders contained in this NOTICE and ORDER, then the Department will reduce the total forfeiture due by 35%.

This 35% reduced forfeiture option also applies to any accruing forfeiture. Final calculation of any accruing forfeiture due will be based on a verified date of compliance.

At this time, the reduced forfeiture amount due to the Department within ten (10) days of receipt of this NOTICE and ORDER is \$3,640.

* According to Art. X, §2 of the Wisconsin Constitution and Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(c)1.c., all forfeitures collected by the Department are deposited in the State's School Fund.

Please make the forfeiture payment payable to “DHS 639” and send it to:

QUALITY ASSURANCE ANALYST
DHS / DQA / BAL
PO BOX 2969
MADISON, WI 53701-2969

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

According to Wis. Stat. §§ 50.03(5g)(b) and (f), you may request an administrative hearing of the Department’s action. To notify the Department of your request for a hearing, your written request **must be filed with (served upon) the Division of Hearings and Appeals (DHA) within ten (10) days after receipt of this NOTICE**. Please note that according to Wis. Admin. Code § HA 1.03(3)(a), materials **mailed** to DHA are **considered filed on the date of the postmark**. Send your request for a hearing to:

CBRF APPEAL
DHA
P.O. BOX 7875
MADISON, WI 53707-7875

Include in your written request for a hearing **ALL** of the following:

- ✓ The name and address of the facility;
- ✓ What you are appealing (attach a copy of this NOTICE to your appeal);
- ✓ The effective date of the action;
- ✓ A concise statement of the reasons for objecting to the action;
- ✓ What type of relief you are seeking; and
- ✓ The name, address and telephone number of any person who may be expected to appear on behalf of the facility.

YOUR APPEAL MAY BE DENIED OR DISMISSED IF THE REQUEST IS INCOMPLETE OR NOT FILED WITH DHA WITHIN THE 10-DAY APPEAL TIME.

Please note that according to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(c)1.c., if you file an appeal, then payment of any forfeiture is due within 10 days after you receive the final decision in the case after exhaustion of administrative review.

NOTICE OF REVISIT FEE

According to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(cm), if the Department imposes a sanction on, or takes other enforcement action against a community-based residential facility for violation of this subchapter or rules promulgated under it, and the Department subsequently conducts an onsite inspection to review the facility's action to correct the violation(s), the Department may impose a \$200 inspection fee on the community-based residential facility.

On 03-07-24, a verification visit was concluded at Comforts of Home Hudson II by the Division of Quality Assurance, Bureau of Assisted Living, to determine if the violation(s) contained in Statement of Deficiency (SOD) #92G314 were corrected. **Therefore, an inspection fee of \$200 is being assessed.**

Please send a check or money order in the amount of \$200 made payable to "Division of Quality Assurance" and send it to:

Division of Quality Assurance
Bureau of Assisted Living
Northwestern Regional Office
610 Gibson St., Suite 1
Eau Claire, WI 54701-3687

The revisit fee is due within ten (10) days of receipt of this Notice. Failure to submit this revisit fee will result in the issuance of a subsequent statement of deficiency with additional enforcement sanctions against Comforts of Home Hudson II. There are no appeal rights for revisit fees.

POSTING OF NOTICES

According to Wis. Admin. Code DHS §§ 83.13(3)(a) and 83.14(2)(h), each facility shall immediately upon receipt post next to its CBRF license, and in a public area that is visually and physically available, any citation/statement of deficiency, notice of revocation, notice of non-renewal, and any other notice of enforcement action. Citations and statements of deficiency shall remain posted for ninety (90) days following receipt. Notices of revocation, non-renewal, and other notices of enforcement action shall remain posted until a final determination is made.

Therefore, the license shall immediately post this Notice and Order letter and it shall remain posted until a final determination is made.

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If you have questions about this letter, please contact William R. Gardner, Assisted Living Regional Director, at (715) 836-4029.

Sincerely,



Kenneth Brotheridge, Assisted Living Director
Bureau of Assisted Living
Division of Quality Assurance

Enclosure
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