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ELECTRONIC MAIL
SOD #WS4411

NOTICE and ORDER
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Cara Peterson
751 East Highland Drive
Oconto Falls, WI 54154

C/O Licensee: The Cottages at lake Park LLC

Re: Cottages at Lake Park (The) (0017939)
2006 Lake Park Drive
Marinette, WI 54143

Dear Cara Peterson:

This letter is a statutory NOTICE of VIOLATION and imposed ORDER on the licensee of Cottages at Lake Park (The), located at 2006 Lake Park Drive, Marinette, WI 54143, 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 November 19, 2024, a complaint investigation was concluded for Cottages at Lake Park (The) 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) #WS4411 for violations of Wis. Stat. ch. 50 or Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 83, which establish the grounds for this action. SOD #WS4411 is enclosed.

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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, Northeastern Regional Office, at DHSDQABALNERO@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 **Cottages at Lake Park (The)**:

1. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(b)6., the licensee shall develop and implement corrective measures to ensure all resident care staff provide prompt and adequate treatment appropriate to the needs of the residents. The licensee will develop (or review/revise) written procedures and staff training (as appropriate) to address:

Investigation of Injuries of Unknown Source and Caregiver Misconduct:

- For any injury of unknown source or allegation of caregiver misconduct, the licensee shall immediately take steps to ensure the safety of all residents, conduct an investigation, and maintain documentation of any investigation;
- The licensee shall report to the department an allegation of client abuse, neglect or misappropriation of client property committed by any person employed by the entity when the licensee has reasonable cause to believe it has sufficient evidence, or another regulatory authority

could obtain the evidence, to show the alleged incident occurred and the licensee has reasonable cause to believe the incident meets or could meet the definition of abuse, neglect or misappropriation. Caregiver misconduct investigations will be reviewed in accordance with the department's reporting requirements and reported if necessary. The Caregiver Manual is available as a reference at: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p0/p00038.pdf>

Adequate Treatment:

-Including how the facility will: a) monitor and document changes in the resident's health or mental health, and ensure a resident's record includes all elements to satisfy the requirements under Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 83.42(1), b) notify the physician, notify the resident's legal representative or family, notify the care manager (if any) when a resident experiences a change of condition, accident, injury, or medical emergency, c) obtain timely medical care (clinical assessments, prompt medical treatment), d) review and revise individualized service plans annually or when there is a change in a resident's needs, abilities or physical or mental condition, and e) provide or arrange prompt and adequate services to address each resident's health care needs.

A copy of the procedure required by Order #1 will be made available to department representatives upon request.

Documentation of training will be maintained in employee files and will include the date/duration of training, the signature/qualifications of the instructor, and an outline of course content.

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 #WS4411. Therefore, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.03(5g)(c), **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that a total **FORFEITURE OF \$900.00 IS IMPOSED** for the following violations described in SOD #WS4411.

<u>TAG</u>	<u>DHS Code</u>	<u>Forfeiture Amount</u>
N353	83.32(3)(i)	\$900.00

* 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.

Total Forfeiture Due: \$900.00

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 #WS4411, **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 \$585.00.

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

ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST
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.

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 Vicky Wittman, Assisted Living Regional Director, at (920) 448-4800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Brotheridge". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

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

Enclosure
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