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July 2, 2009

Mr. David Villiotti, Executive Director
Nashua Children's Home
125 Amherst Street Nashua, New Hampshire 03060

SUBJECT: ANNUAL CERTIFICATION RENEWAL

Dear Mr. Villiotti:

Pursuant to California Family Code, Section 7911 et al., this is official notification that Nashua Children's Home (125 Amherst St.) certification by the California Department of Social Services is continued through June 2010.

Certification will be reviewed annually. The Out-of-State Certification Unit (OSCU) will be honoring the Department's policy of having inspection authority to make visits with or without appointment.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me, Olaniyan Akyeem at (916) 838-5875

Sincerely,

OLANIYAN AKYEEM
Out-of-State Certification Analyst

c: Rosalind Hyde, Manager and Deputy Compact Administrator, Out-of-State Placement Policy Unit

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FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING DIVISION
OUT OF STATE GH CERT, 8745 FOLSOM BLVD., #130
SACRAMENTO, CA 95826

FACILITY NAME:	NASHUA CHILDREN'S HOME		**FACILITY NUMBER:**	602300011
ADMINISTRATOR:	DAVID VILLIOTTI		**FACILITY TYPE:**	731
ADDRESS:	125 AMHERST STREET		**TELEPHONE:**	6038833851
CITY:	NASHUA	**STATE:** NH	**ZIP CODE:**	03060
CAPACITY:	46	**CENSUS:** 42	**DATE:**	06/25/2009
TYPE OF VISIT:	Case Management	UNANNOUNCED	**TIME BEGAN:**	01:00 PM
MET WITH:	Scott Duguay, Program Crisis Worker		**TIME COMPLETED:**	04:00 PM

NARRATIVE

PURPOSE OF VISIT:

The Nashua Children's Home (NCH) Amherst facility is seeking re-certification with the State of California, Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Division, Out-of-State Certification Unit. The purpose of this visit is to verify the facility is in compliance with California Group Home Licensing Standards in order to re-certify the facilities.

CALIFORNIA PLACING AGENCIES:

Nashua currently has a contract through Sonoma County Human Services for the placement of one youth. Nashua continues to accept those youth who may have family ties to the New England area for the purpose of family reunification.)

FACILITY AND PHYSICAL PLANT OVERVIEW:

Inspections revealed no significant issues of concern. Overall, the facility appeared to be operating within compliance of the California licensing standards. Fire and health inspection reports were also available for review and revealed no issues of concern. *(See LIC-809 C continued)*

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LICENSING EVALUATOR NAME: Olaniyan Akyeem **TELEPHONE:** (916) 838-5875

LICENSING EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:

DATE: 06/25/2009

I acknowledge receipt of this form and understand my licensing appeal rights as explained and received.

FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:

DATE: 06/25/2009

This report must be available at Child Care and Group Home facilities for public review for 3 years.

FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT (Cont)

FACILITY NAME: NASHUA CHILDREN'S HOME

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NARRATIVE

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NEW HAMPSHIRE LICENSING AND COMPLAINTS:

On June 25, 2009, contact was made to the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Program Support, and Bureau of Child Care Licensing. The licensing representative reports that NCH is currently operating under full licensing status. There has been no legal action, pending action, or substantiated complaints in the last year.

ADMINISTRATION AND PLAN OF OPERATION / PROGRAM CHANGES:

NCH provided copies of valid licenses for their Child Care Agency. Administrative review revealed no issues related to intake procedures, operating outside of licensing capacity, staff ratios, etc. Pre-annual certification file review did reveal a lack of reporting, specific to Special Incidents. (See attached Plan of Correction (POC).

NCH has implemented a new "Positive Culture and Behavioral Guidelines" for both the education and residential programs. No other significant program changes have occurred in the last year.

CLIENT(S) AND PERSONAL RIGHTS (REVIEWED):

California youth not available for interview due to his absence attending a home visit. According to unit staff, the youth is doing exceptionally well and has obtained high honors in his academic achievements since his arrival. (See LIC-809 C continued)

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SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION REVIEW:

Certification review covered the following areas: programming, intake and discharge procedures, discipline policy, emergency intervention techniques, medical procedures, facility file review, staff interviews, observation of program and daily activities, criminal record review, personal rights, food services, staff trainings, emergency disaster plan, fire clearance, and all issues pertaining to physical plant.

OUT-OF-STATE CERTIFICATION FINDINGS, VIOLATIONS AND PLAN OF CORRECTIONS:

1. Reporting Requirements: The California child file review indicated that several incidents, including two physical restraints occured since the youth's arrival in October 2008. Although incidents are being documented in the youth's file, they have not been reported to the California certification unit in the last year. California Licensing, Out-of State certification standards require incidents to be reported on all youth in placement regardless if he/she is a California placement youth.

provide a plan to ensure special incidents are reported as pertaining to the California Licensing, Out-of-State Certification standards. Please provide a plan for the above deficiency by July 10, 2009.

CERTIFICATION DECISION Recertification Approved

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