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**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**  
Community Care Licensing Division – Statewide Children’s Residential Program  
744 P Street, MS 8-3-54 Sacramento, CA 95814



EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
GOVERNOR

September 14, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Villiotti:

SUBJECT: CERTIFICATION BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES (CDSS)

Pursuant to California Family Code, Section 7911 et al., this is official notification that effective this date, Nashua Children’s Home (NCH) located at; 125 Amherst St., Nashua, New Hampshire, is certified as meeting California Group Home licensing standards. Certification is valid through August 2012.

California licensing standards require that all serious incidents continue to be reported to CDSS Out-of-State Placement Policy Unit for each child in care regardless of whether he or she is a California placement. Incident reporting shall include the following:

- a. Deaths
- b. Suicide attempts
- c. Suspected physical, sexual or psychological abuse
- d. Epidemic outbreaks and catastrophes
- e. Injuries and illnesses that require hospitalization or medical treatment (beyond first aid)
- f. Use of restraint (whether or not they result in an injury to a child)
- g. Any unusual incident or absence that threatens the physical or emotional health or safety of a child

Certification will continue to be reviewed annually. We will be following our Department policy which authorizes us to inspect facilities with or without appointment as necessary.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this report further, please contact me at: (916) 838-5875.

Sincerely,

OLANIYAN AKYEEM  
Out-of State Program Analyst

Enclosure

C: Rosalind Hyde, Deputy Compact Administrator, ICPC/Out-of-State Placement & Policy Unit

**FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT**CCLD Regional Office, 744 P STREET, MS 19-50  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

<b>FACILITY NAME:</b>	NASHUA CHILDREN'S HOME	<b>FACILITY NUMBER:</b>	602300011
<b>ADMINISTRATOR:</b>	DAVID VILLIOTTI	<b>FACILITY TYPE:</b>	731
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	125 AMHERST STREET	<b>TELEPHONE:</b>	(603) 883-3851
<b>CITY:</b>	NASHUA	<b>STATE:</b>	NH
<b>CAPACITY:</b>	46	<b>ZIP CODE:</b>	03060
<b>TYPE OF VISIT:</b>	Case Management	<b>CENSUS:</b>	UNANNOUNCED
<b>MET WITH:</b>	Sheelu Joshi-Flegal, Residential Director	<b>DATE:</b>	09/08/2011
		<b>TIME BEGAN:</b>	09:30 AM
		<b>TIME COMPLETED:</b>	12:00 PM

**NARRATIVE****1** PURPOSE OF VISIT:**2**

**3** As mandated by California law, this annual on-site re-certification visit was performed by the undersigned  
**4** analyst to assess and determine that whether the facility referenced continues to be suitable as an  
**5** out-of-state group home certified by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) through:  
**6** 1. being in substantial compliance with California's Title 22 licensing regulations which apply to children's  
**7** group homes; as well as  
**8** being licensed and in good standing with oversight authorities within the State of New Hampshire where the  
**9** facility is located.

**10****11** CERTIFICATION HISTORY:**12**

**13** Pursuant to California Family Code Section 7911 et al., Nashua Children's Home (NCH) was initially certified  
**14** by the CDSS in February 2000. In April 2011, it was confirmed that NCH has not had a California youth in  
**15** placement over the last year. Due the CDSS budget restraints with commensurate travel restrictions, a visit to  
**16** Nashua was not conducted, therefore the NCH certification was not renewed at that time. However,  
**17** subsequently a new referral for a former California placement was requested by Sonoma County for purpose  
**18** of family reunification, and certification was reinstated pending this facility evaluation.

**19****20** FACILITY INFORMATION, BACKGROUND AND PROGRAM**21**

**22** NCH has two facilities sites located in Nashua, New Hampshire. The facility located on Amherst St. has a  
**23** license capacity for 43 male and female youth. The census at the time of this visit was 32. The facility  
**24** located on Concord St. has a licensed capacity for 12 adolescent female youth. As result of recent Legislative  
**25** changes affecting youth in residential care, placements have been low. The census for Concord St. was 4  
youth at the time of this visit.

**SUPERVISOR'S NAME:** Mei Yuk Kung**TELEPHONE:** (916)654-0118**LICENSING EVALUATOR NAME:** Olaniyan Akyeem**TELEPHONE:** (916) 838-5875**LICENSING EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:**

**DATE:** 09/13/2011**I acknowledge receipt of this form and understand my licensing appeal rights as explained and received.****FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:**

Original signature on file

**DATE:** 09/13/2011**This report must be available at Child Care and Group Home facilities for public review for 3 years.**

**FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT (Cont)**

CCLD Regional Office, 744 P STREET, MS 19-50  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

**FACILITY NAME:** NASHUA CHILDREN'S HOME

**FACILITY NUMBER:** 602300011

**VISIT DATE:** 09/08/2011

**NARRATIVE**

1 In the area of program, NCH provides services to a very diverse population. They can accept both males and  
2 female clients age 8-18 y/o. These children typically have a wide range of emotional problems and behavioral  
3 disorders, including those who are emotionally disordered, self destructive, aggressive, sexually aggressive,  
4 and/or learning disabled. Most of the youth have been adjudicated delinquent or dependents of the court, and  
5 have had prior placement on detention homes, correctional facilities, treatment centers, foster care and /or  
6 mental health programs. NCH does not accept children with certain psychiatric disorders, serious drug  
7 addiction, severe developmental disability or other conditions that would render them incapable of full  
8 participation in the program. However, they reserve the right to evaluate potential clients on a case by case  
9 basis. Average length of stay varies based on individual treatment needs.  
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11 FACILITY, PHYSICAL PLANT, PROGRAM AND ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW AND CHANGES:

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13 Since last year's visit, the facility has not had any significant changes in the physical plant structure. However,  
14 in the area of program services, the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services was hit with a  
15 substantial reduction in the General and Education funding used for public services. This was a result of new  
16 Legislative changes affecting 2012 fiscal year. This new budget imposed a reduction in public services to  
17 programs such as Nashua. As a result, Nashua overall census for this year was lower than previous years.  
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19 LOCAL STATE LICENSING / COMPLAINT(S) ISSUES:

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21 The last licensing inspection was conducted by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human  
22 Services on September 9, 2011. On 9/12/2011, contact was made to the licensing representative who  
23 conducted the annual inspection and reported that Nashua is currently operating under full licensing status  
24 and there are no pending legal issues at this time. It is further reported that there has been no substantiated  
25 complaints within the last year. The Licensing Inspection Summary for this review is currently pending for  
26 final draft.  
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28 FIRE INSPECTION / WATER ANALYSIS / FOOD SERVICE:

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30 The most recent fire clearance inspection was conducted on 6/24/2011 by the Town City Fire Inspector. The  
31 Life Compliance report indicated no issues of concern for this review.  
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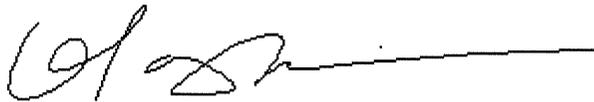
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Water analysis N/A. Nashua uses a public water source.

SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION REVIEW:

- Entrance interview and facility briefing conducted with facility administrator.
- Collection of updated and current organizational and program information material.
- Tour/physical inspection of facility and grounds.
- Exit interview.

FINDINGS, AREAS OF CONCERN AND/OR THOSE REQUIRING CORRECTION:

Overall, the facility was found to be safe, clean and in good repair. However, a Plan of Correction (POC) is required for the following areas of deficiency:

- Fixtures- Patch work need in Younger Boys bedroom, paint peeling extensively possible toxic material
- Posted Fire Exits- Some living units did not have posted fire exits placed back on the wall after new paint was applied
- Fixtures- Younger Boys Unit had one bedroom that had a strong odor of urine. Apparently the youth is a bed-wetter. Room will need to be properly ventilated. If windows are used, the screens must be in good repair. No screen available on window in bedroom.

CERTIFICATION DECISION:

Facility has agreed on a corrective action to address the above POC issues, Certification is granted.

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