



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION  
**1200 Alder Street, Union Gap, WA 98903**

CEDAR HILLS ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE INC  
ROCKENFIELD NORTH  
1603 Drake Court  
YAKIMA, WA 98902

RE: ROCKENFIELD NORTH License # 444400

Dear Provider:

This letter addresses Compliance Determination(s) 60097 (Completion Date 05/30/2025) and 56475 (Completion Date 03/25/2025).

The Department completed a follow-up inspection of your Adult Family Home on 05/30/2025 and found that you have corrected the violations listed in the Full report dated 03/25/2025. Your home is back in compliance as of 04/09/2025 with the cited requirements of the Washington Administrative Code or the Revised Code of Washington or both.

The Department found that deficiencies for the following licensing laws and regulations were corrected:

WAC 388-76-10275, WAC 388-76-10275-1, WAC 388-76-10275-2, WAC 388-76-10275-3, WAC 388-76-10275-3-a, WAC 388-76-10275-3-b

The Department staff who did the off-site verification:

Melanie Hopkins, NHI-AFH Licensors

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509)572-7394.

Sincerely,

*Michelle Ann Yarbrough*

Michelle Yarbrough, Adult Family Home Field Manager  
Region 1, Unit C  
Residential Care Services



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You are required to be in compliance at all times with all licensing laws and regulations to maintain your Adult Family Home license.

The department completed data collection for the unannounced on-site full inspection on 03/17/2025 of:

ROCKENFIELD NORTH  
1701 Cedar Hills Ct # A  
Yakima, WA 98902

The following sample was selected for review during the unannounced on-site visit: 0 of 0 current residents and 0 former residents.

The department staff that inspected the Adult Family Home:

Melanie Hopkins, NHI-AFH Licenser  
Michelle Yarbrough, Adult Family Home Field Manager

From:  
DSHS, Aging and Long-Term Support Administration  
Residential Care Services, Region 1 , Unit C  
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*Michelle Ann Garbrough*  
Residential Care Services

04/01/2025  
Date

I understand that to maintain an Adult Family Home license, I must be in compliance with all the licensing laws and regulations at all times.	
<i>Paul Reese</i> Provider (or Representative)	04/10/2025 Date

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Findings included . . .

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This document was prepared by Residential Care Services for the Locator website.

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In an interview on 03/21/2025 at 11:59 AM, Staff A, Provider, stated they were not aware that Staff D needed to show treatment records or obtain a TB test when hired 08/08/2024.

In an interview on 03/21/2025 at 1:06 PM, Staff D stated they had received treatment for TB when they were younger, they were unable to access those records, and they had a chest x-ray clearing them of TB in the past two years.

Review of record supplied by Staff D on 03/25/2025 showed a radiology report dated 06/23/2023 for x-ray clearance for TB. No treatment records or TB test results were provided for Staff D.

I hereby certify that I have reviewed this report and have taken or will take active measures to correct this deficiency. By taking this action, ROCKENFIELD NORTH is or will be in compliance with this law and / or regulation on (Date)\_\_\_\_\_.

In addition, I will implement a system to monitor and ensure continued compliance with this requirement.

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Provider (or Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Rockenfield North – TB Citation Response**

### **Provider Statement**

On March 17, 2025, Rockenfield North received a citation related to tuberculosis documentation for staff member [REDACTED]. This is the first time we have been cited for accepting a chest X-ray in place of a TB skin test for [REDACTED] or any staff member in 30 years. At the time of the inspection, the unit did not have any residents living in it or any staff actively working in the unit.

[REDACTED] has worked in our homes for over 18 years. During that time, she has been reviewed in multiple inspections each year because we operate eight licensed homes. Our licensors have reviewed her documentation many times and have consistently accepted the chest X-ray as valid TB clearance. We were never informed that additional documentation was needed. Based on repeated feedback from licensors, we believed we were fully compliant.

When our licensor requested additional tuberculosis documentation before the inspection was completed, we submitted the documents she asked for. This included a chest X-ray report and a medical record stating that [REDACTED] had a history of TB treatment. After reviewing the documentation, our licensor informed us over the phone that the investigation was complete and that there would be no citations. However, when the regional field manager later reviewed the documentation, the decision was overturned, and a citation was issued.

After the citation was overturned by the regional field manager, we were told that [REDACTED] would need to complete a TB test to show she tested positive. She went to the clinic as requested, but they refused to perform the TB skin test because of the documentation she provided. The clinic stated that the documentation was sufficient and declined to administer the test.

After [REDACTED] returned from the clinic, I followed up with both our licensor and the regional field manager. I sent them a copy of the clinic's letter,

along with [REDACTED] chest X-ray and provider note. The clinic had confirmed that due to her past treatment for tuberculosis, a TB skin test was not appropriate and that a chest X-ray was an acceptable screening method.

In response, our licenser, Melanie Hopkins, acknowledged the clinic's stance but stated that the WACs governing adult family homes have specific requirements. According to her email, [REDACTED] does not meet the criteria under WAC 388-76-10275 to be exempt from TB testing, as there is no documentation of a prior positive test result or completed TB therapy. She stated that [REDACTED] needs either a TB skin test or a TB blood test, and if the result is positive, her provider must document that no further chest X-rays are recommended.

It is important to note that the clinic reviewed the documentation we provided and made a professional judgment not to administer the TB skin test. If the required information was not present, there would have been no reason for the clinic to refuse the test. Their refusal was based on their interpretation that the documentation did include the necessary details regarding [REDACTED] history and TB treatment.

We understand that interpretations of the WAC can change or become more strict over time, and we are committed to adjusting our process accordingly. This was not a case of ignoring the rules. We followed a process that was previously accepted during many inspections over many years.

#### **Plan of Correction**

[REDACTED] will complete a TB blood test as requested. The result will be added to her file along with her existing chest X-ray report.

Going forward, we will ensure that if a chest X-ray is being used for TB clearance, we also have documentation on file that shows a positive TB test result or other documentation required to support its use. This is now a standard part of our internal process for all staff.