STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Disability Services
Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
PO Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98504-5600

August 4, 2014

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Licensee, Cornerstone Cottage, Inc.
Cornerstone
PO Box 1586
Newport, WA 99156

Adult Family Home License #751079
Entity Representative: Cynthia Rogers

IMPOSITION OF CIVIL FINE

Dear Licensee:

On July 21, 2014, the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Residential Care Services completed an inspection/investigation at your facility. This letter is formal notice of the imposition of a civil fine for your adult family home, located at **12420 North Ruby Road, Spokane**, by the State of Washington, Department of Social and Health Services, pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.128.160 and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 388-76-10940.

The civil fine is based on the following violations of the RCW and/or WAC as described in the attached Statement of Deficiencies (SOD) report dated **July 21, 2014.**

CIVIL FINE

WAC 388-76-10180(9)(a) – Background checks—Employment—Disqualifying information. **$500.00**

The licensee employed one staff whose background check showed a substantiated finding of child abuse and/or neglect.

NOTE: This is violation which resulted in the fine; see the attached Statement of Deficiencies for any additional violations.

Attestation (Plan of Correction):

Return the enclosed SOD within 10 calendar days with the following:

- The date you have or will have each deficiency corrected;
- A signature and date attesting that you are taking actions to correct and maintain correction for each cited deficiency.

Return the signed and dated SOD to:

Elena Madrid, Field Manager
316 West Boone, Suite 170
Spokane, WA 99201-2351
Telephone: (509) 323-7316
Fax: (509) 329-3993

Appeal Rights:

You have two appeal rights: Informal Dispute Resolution (IDR) and an Administrative Hearing. Each has a different request timeline.

Informal Dispute Resolution [RCW 70.128]

You have an opportunity to challenge the deficiencies and/or enforcement actions through the state's IDR process. **All IDR requests must be in writing and include:**

- The deficiencies you are disputing; and
- The method of review you prefer (face-to-face, telephone conference or documentation review).

The written request must be received by the 10th working day from receipt of this letter.

During the IDR process you will have the opportunity to present written and/or oral evidence to dispute the deficiencies.

Send your written request to:

Informal Dispute Resolution Program Manager
Residential Care Services
PO Box 45600
Olympia, Washington 98504-5600
Fax (360)725-3225

Formal Administrative Hearing

You may contest the civil fine by requesting a formal administrative hearing to challenge the deficiency which resulted in the civil fine. **All hearing requests must be in writing and include:**

- A copy of this letter; and
- A copy of the Statement of Deficiencies.

The written request must be received within twenty-eight (28) calendar days of receipt of this letter.

Send your **written** request to:

Office of Administrative Hearings
PO Box 42489
Olympia, Washington 98504-2489

Payment:

If you do not request a formal administrative hearing, the civil fine is due to the Office of Financial Recovery twenty-eight (28) calendar days after receipt of this letter.

Mail a check for **$500.00** payable to the 'Department of Social and Health Services' at:

DSHS Office of Financial Recovery
PO Box 9501
Olympia, Washington 98507-9501

If the Office of Financial Recovery has not received your payment within twenty-eight (28) days after receipt of this letter, interest will begin to accrue immediately on the balance, at the rate of one percent per month. If you do not submit a hearing request or make payment within twenty-eight (28) days, the balance due will be recovered.

If you have any questions, please contact Elena Madrid at (509) 323-7316.

Sincerely,

Bett Schlemmer, RN, MN, MPA
Interim Assistant Director
Residential Care Services

Enclosure

cc: Robert Ogolsky, Compliance Specialist
Field Manager, District 1, Unit A
RCS District Administrator, District 1
HCS District Administrator, District 1
DDA District Administrator, District 1
WA LTC Ombuds
Office of Financial Recovery, Vendor Program Unit
Valentina Karnafel, HCS
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