



Licensed Child Caring Agency Unannounced Site Visit Report

Licensee: Cascadia

Executive Director: Derald Walker

Program Director(s): Robert Nicholas

Date of Unannounced: July 28th, 2021

Licensing Coordinator: Ed Wyller

Other Regulatory or Accrediting Agencies: Oregon Health Authority and Multnomah County Behavioral Division

Purpose: Per OAR 413-215-0101 (1) (b) Children’s Care Licensing is required to perform at least one unannounced site visit a year where children in care reside.

Previous Findings: License Renewal 03-03-2021	Repeat Findings Further Action Needed	Comments
413-215-0021(3)(g) Approval from BCU: Cascadia – Firefly had submitted to Orchards / BCU both Donald Hice Clinical Director and Robert Nicholas Program Director background checks. At this time Cascadia is waiting for the review to be completed. The program must submit documentation of completed BCU approval when available.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robert Nicholas background check was completed on March 9 th , 2021. Donald Hice background check was completed on March 10 th , 2021.
413-215-0076(4) Agency has adequate plan in place to respond to suicidal behavior/warning signs: Policy simply lists what is required in 413-215-0021 and does not give direction or how it applies to Cascadia – Firefly in providing guidance to employees. Cascadia will need to develop their own suicide policy and Suicide Prevention Plan.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cascadia – Firefly submitted to DHS CCLP their new policy regarding suicidal behavior and warning signs. Policy was submitted and accepted on May 10 th , 2021.

Documents as indicated on form titled “Required Financial Documents and Information”: Cascadia – Firefly has not received from the Oregon Department of Revenue their completed Tax Compliance Certification. Cascadia had submitted necessary information to Oregon Department of Revenue just prior to the onsite licensing renewal review.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cascadia – Firefly received their completed and approved Tax Compliance Certification on May 4 th , 2021.
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New Findings from Site Visit	Comments
413-215-0761 (4) (b) (B) Safety – Building Requirements: Clean and in good repair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upstairs bathroom shower had mold on caulking in the interior sections of the shower. The joints on the bottom and the side sections with caulking were moldy.

Interview Summary
<p>I interviewed three of the five clients. I met with each client in a private room to ensure their privacy. All three client’s reported feeling safe at Cascadia – Firefly. All three reported feeling supported and respected by the Firefly staff. All three reported going on program outings including the following events: hiking, parks, movies, Saturday Market (PDX), and Powell’s Books. Additional activities mentioned: cooking group, arts, working in on-site garden, and meditation group. All client’s reported food to be “good”. They reported that each client shops for their own food. Program’s atmosphere was described as calming, clean, and relaxed. Clients reported the following about Firefly “saved me” and “Love it here”. On a scale from 0-10 where (0=worst program and 10=best program) clients rated Firefly 7.9, 9, and a 9 on that scale.</p> <p>Clients reported learning coping skills, financial skills and working on their mental health. All three clients reported staff work with them at their pace which helps lessen their anxiety and stress. When asked if they had a magic wand and could change the program, one client reported that they wished there were more programs like this in Oregon. Another client reported that they wished the Airconditioning worked better upstairs, and the third client reported nothing. They reported that the community meetings that occur each Monday and Thursday take clients’ input into program and they are heard.</p>

Observations

When I arrived, I completed a Covid-19 screening form and signed in for tracking purposes. I witnessed all staff wearing masks, and clients are not required to wear masks. Three staff were on site during my visit. Current client population is 5. I observed positive and caring interactions between clients and staff. The facility was clean (except for upstairs shower) and atmosphere was welcoming. Outside grounds were well maintained and garden and bbq area was clean.

I noted the front room area for private meetings has a new curtain to cover door window if needing privacy for client meetings. This is a nice addition to create a private and public space.

Corrective Actions and Timeframes:

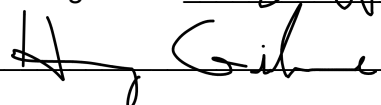
Please submit the following to verify compliance.

Within 45 days of receipt of this report **Cascadia – Firefly** must submit a letter of verification indicating the agency is in compliance with the specific rules cited above and describing how compliance will be maintained going forward. Along with the letter of verification, the agency must submit any and all specific documentation requested in the body of this report. The letter of verification and any additional requested documents can be emailed directly to **Ed Wyller**, Edward.Wyller@dhsosha.state.or.us or sent by regular mail to the following address:

Due to Covid-19 pandemic and working remotely the preferred method is to send directly to Ed Wyller at his email address.

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Children’s Care Licensing Program
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Licensing Coordinator’s Signature:  Date: 7/29/2021

Manager Review:  Date: 7-29-2021