



Licensed Child Caring Agency Unannounced Site Visit Report

Licensee: Catholic Community Services of Mid-Willamette Valley,
Father Taaffe Home

Executive Director: Josh Graves

Program Director(s): Lori Simpson

Date of Unannounced: December 28, 2022

Licensing Coordinator: Holly Ivey

Other Regulatory or Accrediting Agencies: N/A for the Father Taaffe Home

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 6 MTH License Review 07-19-2022	Repeat Findings Further Action Needed	Comments
<p>Safety - Building Requirements 413-215-0761(6) (b)(B) Clean and in good repair. The following repairs are needed in the home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broken window in the upstairs bathroom. (Plywood was replacing a broken window) • Upstairs bathtub along the drain was dirty with pinkish substance. • Upstairs bedroom was lacking a window covering. • Small areas of paint were observed to be missing in a bedroom. • Small hole behind a bedroom door. • Downstairs bathroom had dirt along the caulking of the outside of the shower. 	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Safety - Building Requirements 413-215-0761(6) (b)(B) Clean and in good repair. The following repairs are needed in the home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broken window in the upstairs bathroom. (Plywood was replacing a broken window) (Repaired) • Upstairs bathtub along the drain was dirty with pinkish substance. (Was cleaned) • Upstairs bedroom was lacking a window covering. (Replaced) • Small areas of paint were observed to be missing in a bedroom. (Repaired) • Small hole behind a bedroom door. (Repaired) • Downstairs bathroom had dirt along the caulking of the outside of the shower. (Was cleaned)

<p>Personnel Files 413-215-0061(3)(a) record of education, training and previous employment. (1)(b) & (3)(b) reference checks complete and documented. The above information was not found in the personnel files reviewed.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Personnel Files 413-215-0061(3)(a) record of education, training and previous employment. (1)(b) & (3)(b) reference checks complete and documented. The above information was not found in the personnel files reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff have not been hired since the review for this program. The program submitted to Licensing a Procedure for Hiring that requires reference checks to be completed during the hiring process. They also submitted references of the staff that are currently hired. The program must keep documentation of the reference checks through notes in personnel files for any new hires. There is nothing further required regarding this finding. • The program sent copies of the staffs records of past education, training, and previous employment to the Licensing Coordinator. There is nothing further required regarding this finding.
<p>Child Records 413-215-0741(2) (c) authorization for medical treatment (d) Consent to treat the child with interventions in use at the program The above required consents were not consistently found in the files reviewed.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Child Records 413-215-0741(2) (c) authorization for medical treatment (d) Consent to treat the child with interventions in use at the program The above required consents were not consistently found in the files reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consents for two newly admitted youth were sent to the Licensing Coordinator verifying compliance. There is nothing further required regarding this finding.
<p>Service Planning 413-215-0741(2)(g) & 413-215-0736(2)(a) Includes family, staff & other interested parties(2)(g) & (2)(b) Monthly review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The service plan documents lacked verification of the inclusion of family & staff in service planning. 	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Service Planning 413-215-0741(2)(g) & 413-215-0736(2)(a) Includes family, staff & other interested parties(2)(g) & (2)(b) Monthly review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The program lacked documentation indicating that the requirement to include family & staff in service planning had been met. (Repeat Finding)
<p>Records and Documentation 413-215-0071(7) Permanent registry for each child Names, addresses of parents or guardians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The above required information was not found in the files reviewed. 	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Records and Documentation 413-215-0071(7) Permanent registry for each child Names, addresses of parents or guardians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The above required information was found in the youth files. The program must continue to document this information in the youth files. There is nothing further required regarding this finding.
<p>413-215-0078 Licensing Umbrella Rules: Information Provided to Children in Care (Adopted 02/01/2022 (1) Each child in care receiving services from a child-caring agency must be given the following: (a) Instruction regarding how a child in care may report suspected inappropriate use of restraint or involuntary seclusion; (b) Assurance that the</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>413-215-0078 Licensing Umbrella Rules: Information Provided to Children in Care (Adopted 02/01/2022 (1) Each child in care receiving services from a child-caring agency must be given the following: (a) Instruction regarding how a child in care may report suspected inappropriate use of restraint or involuntary seclusion; (b) Assurance that the child in care will not experience retaliation for reporting suspected inappropriate uses of restraint or involuntary seclusion and; (c) The telephone number for the toll-free child abuse hotline described in ORS 417.805 and the telephone numbers and electronic mail</p>

<p><i>child in care will not experience retaliation for reporting suspected inappropriate uses of restraint or involuntary seclusion and; (c) The telephone number for the toll-free child abuse hotline described in ORS 417.805 and the telephone numbers and electronic mail addresses for the program’s licensing agency, the child in care’s caseworker and attorney, the child in care’s court appointed special advocate and Disability Rights Oregon.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The above required information was not found in the files reviewed. 		<p><i>addresses for the program’s licensing agency, the child in care’s caseworker and attorney, the child in care’s court appointed special advocate and Disability Rights Oregon.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation verifying that that the above requirement was met for two newly admitted youth was sent to the Licensing Coordinator on January 20, 2023, by Jennifer Blyeth, Quality Projects Specialist. The program must continue to provide the notice two times each year, following any new admission, to the guardians and keep verification. There is nothing further required regarding this finding.
<p>413-215-0077 Licensing Umbrella Rules: Restraints and Involuntary Seclusion <i>(Amended 07/01/2022) (13) Reporting Requirements (e) Each child caring agency shall provide notice regarding how to access the quarterly reports to the parents or guardians of children in care in the program. The child caring agency shall provide the notice upon the child in care’s admission and at least two times each year thereafter.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The above required information was not found in the files reviewed. 	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>413-215-0077 Licensing Umbrella Rules: Restraints and Involuntary Seclusion <i>(Amended 07/01/2022) (13) Reporting Requirements (e) Each child caring agency shall provide notice regarding how to access the quarterly reports to the parents or guardians of children in care in the program. The child caring agency shall provide the notice upon the child in care’s admission and at least two times each year thereafter.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentation verifying that that the above requirement was met for two newly admitted youth was sent to the Licensing Coordinator on January 20, 2023, by Jennifer Blyeth, Quality Projects Specialist. The program must continue to provide the notice two times each year, following any new admission, to the guardians and keep verification. There is nothing further required regarding this finding.

New Findings from Site Visit	Comments
<p>413-215-0761 Homeless, Runaway, and Transitional Living Shelters: Safety <i>A child-caring agency must meet all of the following requirements related to safety: (4) Building Requirements (B) All buildings where children in care are present must be kept clean and in good repair.</i></p>	<p>413-215-0761 Homeless, Runaway, and Transitional Living Shelters: Safety <i>A child-caring agency must meet all of the following requirements related to safety: (4) Building Requirements (B) All buildings where children in care are present must be kept clean and in good repair.</i></p> <p>The home was observed to be cluttered and messy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kitchen: dishes filling the sink, a few boxes that had not been broken down in the pantry on the floor. Bedrooms: clothing and items on the floors. Laundry room: clothing in piles scattered though out the room. Livingroom: toys scattered around the room. Garage: A large amount of donations of items were observed to be filling the garage. Backyard: a fence section had fallen down and was on the ground.

Interview Summary

The Licensing Coordinator, spoke with the Emily Burrow, House Parent, while conducting the walk through of the program. The Licensing Coordinator spoke privately with two youth at the unannounced inspection.

Both of the youth reported concerns of clutter and messiness of the home the statements to include:

- Garage: "The garage has a lot of donation items, and it is difficult to get by things to get to the freezer to get items out."
- Kitchen: "Shelving in the kitchen isn't organized." "There was a chicken breast in the refrigerator for a week." "The refrigerator isn't cleaned regularly."
- Laundry room: "The laundry room is always messy; it is never cleaned up." "The house parents don't enforce cleaning."
- Sanitation: "A lot of people are getting sick here, I think because they weren't taking proper care." One youth stated she spoke to Ms. Burrow, about the concern and Ms. Burrows had started sanitizing the kid's toys. "Girls are meal prepping, and they aren't washing their hands." "A turkey was in the garage at Thanksgiving raw in a bucket with ice and cold water uncovered." (When asked by the Licensing Coordinator, "Did anyone got sick from the turkey?" The youth stated, "I did not hear of this occurring.")

When the youth were asked what they appreciated most about being at the program, they stated:

- "The independence, I am glad I don't have to hear my mom put me down." "I like that it is a community that helps each other out."

When the youth were asked what they did for fun at the program, they stated:

- "Everyone does their own thing; some girls hang out together." "We don't do anything; we are not doing outings together."

When the youth were asked what they would change if they could change anything about the program, they stated:

- "Cleanliness of the house." "House Parents that were more present, that's a big part of managing everything."
- "Organizing, so I would know where everything goes." "The garage needs fixing, to stop the piling of stuff. I can't open the freezer all the way." "Organization and cleaning."
- One youth stated she spoke to the case manager about the following: "The turkey (see above concern), the garage being a mess, the foster mother being a hoarder, and that cleaning is a big part of the problem. It makes people feel unmotivated." She stated "The case manager started a cleaning chart, the youth have rotating chores." She stated, "Everyone has been doing the chores, the house is just crowded with too many recliners in the living room, hording up the house. No one sits in all the seats."
- "I don't feel like they are teaching life skills, like how to do taxes, get a bank account, how to get on lists for housing, resources in general that help you."

When the youth were asked if they felt respected by the House Parents, they stated:

- (Both stated) "I feel respected by the House Parents."
- "Sometimes it's hard to ask for things, I get the vibe that I'm asking too much."
- "Sometimes Emily is not paying much attention, she's on her phone a lot. I really like Emily; she is always there for me if I need a ride."

Both of the youth stated they always had enough to eat at the program.

Both of the youth stated they could talk with people on their approved contact list every day.

Both youth stated that they felt safe at the program.

- One youth stated, "I have a lot of trauma with slammed doors, I don't like fighting, it triggers me, and I get angry. Since we have a new girl there are tensions, and everyone's moods have changed, there is more tension." The house parent is allowed to watch our babies for two hours. Emily is so sweet she is watching the new girl's baby all the time. Emily's getting irritable because she has her stuff to do."

On December 29, Holly Ivey Licensing Coordinator spoke with Lori Simpson, Program Manager, regarding many of the concerns mentioned.

Observations

A walk-through of the home by the Licensing Coordinator was conducted in all areas where youth were allowed access. The home was observed to be messy and cluttered as outlined above in the report. It was reported by a youth that youth assist weekly in cleaning the home. Chores for the youth are assigned from a cleaning chart. (In talking with Lori Simpson, the case manager has recently been checking with the House Parent daily to ensure that chores are completed via the phone.) The Licensing Coordinator observed food in the refrigerator, and pantry. Medication was observed to be kept in a locked medicine box behind a locked door inaccessible to youth. The Licensing Coordinator observed two vehicles that were utilized to transport youth. There were no deficiencies observed with the vehicles.

Corrective Actions and Timeframes:

Please submit the following to verify compliance.

Within 45 days of receipt of this report **Catholic Community Services**, 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 the Licensing Coordinator at: Holly.r.ivey@dhsosha@state.or.us

Licensing Coordinator's Signature: Holly Ivey Date: 1-26-2023

Manager Review: [Signature] Date: 1-26-2023