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March 14, 2011

Mr. Mark Halal
Devereux Viera
8000 Devereux Drive
Viera, Florida 32940

SUBJECT: ANNUAL CERTIFICATION RENEWAL

Dear Mr: Halal

Pursuant to California Family Code, Section 7911 et al., this is official notification that Devereux Viera Out-of-State Certification by California Department of Social Services is continued through February 2012.

Certification will be reviewed annually. The Out-of-State Certification Unit (OSCU) will be honoring the Department's policy of having inspection authority to make visits with or without appointment.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me, Olaniyan Akyeem at (916) 838-5875

Sincerely,

OLANIYAN AKYEEM
Out-of-State Certification Analyst

c: Rosalind Hyde, Manager and Deputy Compact Administrator, Out-of-State Placement Policy Unit

FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT

FACILITY NAME:	DEVEREUX VIERA	FACILITY NUMBER:	602300049
ADMINISTRATOR:	MARK HALAL	FACILITY TYPE:	731
ADDRESS:	8000 DEVEREUX DRIVE	TELEPHONE:	(321) 242-9100
CITY:	VIERA	STATE: FL	ZIP CODE: 32940
CAPACITY:	32	CENSUS:	DATE: 03/10/2011
TYPE OF VISIT:	Case Management	UNANNOUNCED	TIME BEGAN: 10:30 AM
MET WITH:	Linda Brooks, Director of Admissions/ Med Records	TIME COMPLETED:	04:00 PM

NARRATIVE

1 Devereux Dual Diagnosis (DDC) in Viera is seeking re-certification as mandated by California law.
2 The purpose of this visit was to verify the facility's compliance with California licensing standards
3 governing children's residential group homes, as well as remaining in compliance with applicable
4 laws, regulations and standards within their own state.
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CALIFORNIA PLACEMENTS AND PLACING AGENCIES:

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9 At the time of visit there were a total of three (3) California youth in placement under the jurisdiction
10 of California Social Services placement. These counties are as follows: Riverside, San Bernardino
11 and San Luis Obispo counties.
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FACILITY, PHYSICAL PLANT AND PROGRAM REVIEW AND CHANGES:

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15 In the area of program changes within the last year, Devereux has extended services to the local
16 community by offering a 10 bed shelter program. The now former Odyssey program which was
17 initially certified by the California Out-of-State program in December of 2007, is now serving as the
18 Enterprise Shelter program. The Enterprise shelter is currently under contract through June 30,
19 2011 and be subject to an administrative review to determine if the program will be renewed for
20 another year.
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23 The capacity for California placements will include only the "Pioneer Unit". The total capacity for
24 California dependent youth at Devereux will stand at 26. Inspection of the Pioneer house and
25 common areas revealed no issues or concerns. All furniture and equipment appeared to be
functional and in good repair. (See Lic 809 C continued)

SUPERVISOR'S NAME: Mei Yuk Kung**TELEPHONE:** (916)654-0118**LICENSING EVALUATOR NAME:** Olaniyan Akyeem**TELEPHONE:** (916) 838-5875**LICENSING EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:****DATE:** 03/10/2011**I acknowledge receipt of this form and understand my licensing appeal rights as explained and received.****FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:****DATE:** 03/10/2011

FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT (Cont)**FACILITY NAME:** DEVEREUX VIERA**FACILITY NUMBER:** 602300049**VISIT DATE:** 03/10/2011**NARRATIVE**1 (LIC 809 C continued)
23 FIRE CLEARANCE:
45 The most recent fire clearance was conducted on 2/22/11 by the Brevard County Fire Rescue Department.
6 This Re-inspection visit was to ensure all previous violations were corrected. On 2/22/11 all violations were
7 officially signed off and cleared. No other violations were found.
89 LOCAL STATE LICENSING / COMPLAINTS ISSUES:
1011 The most recent annual review of Devereux was conducted by the Florida Department of Children and
12 Families on June 9, 2010. A valid copy of the facility license was received which has an expiration date of
13 July, 2011. In the last year, Devereux has had one substantiated/ verified allegation by the State of Florida for
14 inadequate supervision. On 3/10/2011, contact was made with the Florida licensing representative who
15 reported that Devereux is currently operating under full licensing status and there are no legal or
16 administrative actions pending at this time.
1718 SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION REVIEW:
1920 Certification review covered the following areas: programming, intake and discharge procedures,
21 discipline policy, emergency intervention techniques, medical procedures, facility file review,
22 observation of program and daily activities, criminal record review, personal rights, food services,
23 emergency disaster plan, fire clearance, and all issues pertaining to physical plant.
2425 OUT-OF-STATE CERTIFICATION FINDINGS, VIOLATIONS AND PLAN OF CORRECTION:
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28 **1. Personal Rights:** California Licensing Standards prohibits use of locks. Facility evaluation revealed that
29 three (3) California youth are housed in non-certified living units which utilize locks on exterior doors. The
30 uses of locks are recognized as "Detention" centers in the state of California and are prohibited for the use of
31 detaining California dependent youth. (See LIC- C continued)
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It is further noted that in one specific case, a San Luis Obispo DSS case worker provided written approval for the use of locks if deemed necessary. It does not appear that a court order was involved in this decision. Two other youth who were placed by San Bernardino County and San Luis Obispo DSS were also subject to use of locks on the living units.

Although Devereux is a dual diagnosis residential treatment program who accepts youth placed by Mental Health, Education, Regional Centers and/or Private placements, California prohibits transferring a youth from a California certified unit, to a non-certified unit, even if the behavior warrants the need of a locked unit. The issue will need to be thoroughly addressed at the time of intake to ensure appropriate alternatives.

This POC will require the agency to relocate the three California youth from the non-certified locked units, to the Pioneer unit, and /or seek alternative placement through the California placing agencies if the use of locks remain a necessity.

A written Plan of Correction (POC) is required to address the above deficiencies. Please respond to the issues identified with your POC including your implementation process and anticipated time frame for completion. Please submit your plan to the California Out-of-State Certification Unit on or before 3/31/2011.

CERTIFICATION DECISION:

Re- Certification granted. Agency will remain certified during this POC process.

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