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STATE OF CALIFORNIA - HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY  
**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**  
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July 05, 2013

KIDSPACE: ORCHARD HILLS CAMPUS- 602300048  
5300 KIDSPACE DRIVE  
OREFIELD, PA 18069

**SUBJECT:** Re-Certification by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS)

**Capacity :** \*Up to 100 male & female youth; age 12-17  
*\*Certification limited to Wade, Owens and Thorpe within the Athletes Center (12 beds each);  
& Edison, Fulton, Barton and Ross Houses (16 beds each.)*

Pursuant to California Family Code, Section 7911 et al., this is official notification that CDSS certification for KidsPeace - Orchard Hills Campus in Orefield, PA is continued through March 2014.

California licensing standards require that all serious incidents continue to be reported to CDSS Out-of-State Placement Policy Unit for each child in care regardless of whether he or she is a California placement. Incident reporting shall include the following:

- a. Deaths
- b. Suicide attempts
- c. Suspected physical, sexual, or psychological abuse
- d. Epidemic outbreaks and catastrophes
- e. Injuries and illnesses that require hospitalization or medical treatment (beyond first-aid)
- f. Use of restraint (whether or not they result in an injury to a child)
- g. Any unusual incident or absence that threatens the health or safety of a child

Certification will continue to be reviewed annually. We will continue to follow our Department policy which authorizes us to inspect facilities with or without an appointment as necessary.

If you have any questions please contact me at (916) 651-5380, or Carol Lancaster, Out-of-State Certification Analyst, at (916) 838-5751.

Sincerely,

**MEI YUK KUNG**  
Program Chief

**FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT**

<b>FACILITY NAME:</b>	KIDSPEACE: ORCHARD HILLS CAMPUS	<b>FACILITY NUMBER:</b>	602300048
<b>ADMINISTRATOR:</b>	SUSAN MULLEN	<b>FACILITY TYPE:</b>	731
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	5300 KIDSPEACE DRIVE	<b>TELEPHONE:</b>	(610) 799-8800
<b>CITY:</b>	OREFIELD	<b>STATE:</b>	PA
<b>CAPACITY:</b>	192	<b>CENSUS:</b>	UNANNOUNCED
<b>TYPE OF VISIT:</b>	Case Management	<b>DATE:</b>	03/27/2013
<b>MET WITH:</b>	Michelle Williams, Exec. Director + 5 others members of administrative/management team.	<b>TIME BEGAN:</b>	09:44 AM
		<b>TIME COMPLETED:</b>	04:30 PM

**NARRATIVE**

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2 PURPOSE OF VISIT:  
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4 As mandated by California law, today's annual on-site visit was performed for the purpose of re-certification.  
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6 The CDSS requires out-of-state group homes to be certified prior to the placement of California foster youth  
7 and annually thereafter. CDSS certification represents the facility has been determined to be in substantial  
8 compliance with CA group home licensing standards and that the facility is licensed and in good standing with  
9 the licensing authorities where the facility is located - - in this case the state of Pennsylvania.  
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12 FACILITY INFORMATION:  
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14 KidsPeace is one of the nation's largest non-profit children's mental and behavioral health care organizations.  
15 The Orchard Hills Campus of the KidsPeace organization is located on 300+ acres in a rural and forested  
16 area within the town of Orefield, PA. Less than a mile away is the National Headquarters of the KidsPeace  
17 organization.  
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19 There are 17 different residential living units over the campus: In some buildings, there are multiple living  
20 units; others are individual houses. Seven of the 17 are certified by the CDSS.  
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22 *NOTE: For a detailed overview and description of the facility, programs and resources offered, reference Initial*  
23 *certification reports of January 10, 2008 and June 10, 2008. California probation and social services placements*  
24 *are limited only to those programs with CDSS certification. (CDSS certified programs make up only a portion of*  
25 *the programs on the Orchard Hills Campus.)*

**SUPERVISOR'S NAME:** Mei Yuk Kung **TELEPHONE:** (916) 327-8763

**LICENSING EVALUATOR NAME:** Carol Lancaster **TELEPHONE:** (916) 838-5751

**LICENSING EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:**

*Original Signed by Carol Lancaster*

**DATE:** 07/05/2013

I acknowledge receipt of this form and understand my licensing appeal rights as explained and received.

**FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:**

**DATE:** 07/05/2013

This report must be available at Child Care and Group Home facilities for public review for 3 years.

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32CDSS CERTIFICATION HISTORY:

The programs on the KidsPeace Orchard Hills Campus were initially certified by the CDSS in 2008. CDSS certification applies *only* to the following:

Intensive Residential Treatment:

- Wade House (Within Athletes Center;) Females; ages 12-17 (12 beds);
- Thorpe House (Within Athletes Center;) Males; ages 12-17 (12 beds)
- Owens House (Within Athletes Center;) Males; ages 12-17 (12 beds)
- Edison House (Within Inventor Center;) Females; ages 13-17 (16 beds)

Sexual Disorders - Specialized Residential Program

- Fulton House (Within Inventor Center;) Males; ages 14-17 (16 beds)

KidsHope - Specialized (Low Functioning) Residential Treatment

- Barton House (Within Patriot Center;) Females; ages 12-17 (16 beds)
- Ross House (Within Patriot Center;) Males, ages 12-17 (16 beds)

CA PLACING AGENCIES / CHILDREN IN CARE

At the time of the visit, there were four California foster youth in placement from the following agencies: San Diego County Probation; San Diego County Health and Human Services; Mendocino County Health and Human Services; Placer County Health and Human Services.

PA LICENSING INFORMATION

KidsPeace is licensed by the PA Department of Public Welfare, Bureau of Human Services Licensing. Most physical structures on the campus that operate as residential quarters for the children are licensed individually with the exception of a few larger buildings which encompass more than one different program. Copies of licenses and inspection reports can be viewed/obtained at: [www.dpw.state.pa.us](http://www.dpw.state.pa.us)

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PA LICENSING (Cont.)

Wade, Owens and Thorpe are included in the license for the Athletes Center; Barton, Edison, Fulton and Ross Houses are licensed individually. Although licenses issued April 15, 2012 just expired (on April 15, 2013), the facility was able to provide a letter from PA Licensing dated April 11, 2013, verifying that the facility underwent inspection by that entity February 19-22, 2013. The purpose of the letter was interim verification of continued lawful operation until such time as the results of the inspection were processed.

FIRE CLEARANCE:

According to fire inspection records, a fire inspection was last conducted of all structures on the Orchard Hills Campus in September 2012. No deficiencies were noted relative to the CDSS certified houses/programs.

MISC. OTHER ACCREDITATIONS / CERTIFICATIONS

KidsPeace is accredited by the Joint Commission and found to meet the requirements for the Behavioral Health Care Accreditation Program. Accreditation was last issued August 20, 2011 and is customarily valid for 36 months.

Educational programming is certified by the PA State Board of Private Academic Schools which includes: Elementary 1-8; Secondary 9-12; Special Education Elementary & Secondary; Summer Session; Tutoring Elementary; Special Ed; Learning Disabled - Mentally Retarded & Socially/Emotionally Disturbed. Most recent certification was September 1, 2013 -- good through September 1, 2013.

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SCOPE OF RE-CERTIFICATION VISIT:

- Entrance interview with administrative team: Michelle Williams, Executive Director Residential & Educational Services; Char Nosti, Associate Residential Director; Sean Klutnoty, Executive Director of Customer Relations; Kevin Pauling, Residential Compliance Specialist; Jason Raines, Program Director, Inventor Center; Eric Bentz, Program Director, Athletes Center
- Collection of updated and current licensing documents, organizational and program information material; Review and discussion of documentation presented, programs offered, administrative changes, oversight, visit plan and placement statuses of CA youth.
- Observation and participation in Interdisciplinary Team Meeting between treatment team staff, CA placement worker and CA dependent
- Tour of physical plant .
- Sample of client files reviewed.
- Sample of personnel files reviewed.
- Verification and review of trainer certificates in Safe Crisis Management Training for 17 in-house staff

ISSUES AND FINDINGS:

Facility appeared clean, safe, sanitary and in good repair with ample resources and amenities. No out of compliance areas or concerns were observed during this year's visit.

However, there is an outstanding issue from last year's CDSS certification. The issue concerns some doors exiting to the outside from residential living quarters having time delayed egress devices on them. While this area was addressed in last year's report and responded to by the facility through submitting a waiver request, insufficient material was provided on which to approve a waiver. This issue will be addressed under separate cover so as not to continue to delay re-certification.

Re-certification is approved through March 2014.

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