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July 07, 2014

WOODWARD ACADEMY 602300054
1251 334TH STREET
WOODWARD, IA 50276

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

Capacity : 253
Population served : Male youth ages 12-17

Pursuant to California Family Code, Section 7911 et al., this is official notification that CDSS certification for Woodward Academy in Woodward, IA is continued through June 2015.

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) 654-0118, or Carol Lancaster, Out-of-State Certification Analyst, at (916) 838-5751.

Sincerely,


FERNANDO SANDOVAL
Staff Services Manager II
Community Care Licensing Division
Children's Residential Program

FACILITY EVALUATION REPORT

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| FACILITY NAME: | WOODWARD ACADEMY | FACILITY NUMBER: | 602300054 |
| ADMINISTRATOR: | RYAN SANTI | FACILITY TYPE: | 731 |
| ADDRESS: | 1251 334TH STREET | TELEPHONE: | (515) 438-3481 |
| CITY: | WOODWARD | STATE: | IA |
| CAPACITY: | 246 <i>253</i> | ZIP CODE: | 50276 |
| TYPE OF VISIT: | Case Management <i>(Re-Cert.)</i> | CENSUS: | ANNOUNCED |
| MET WITH: | Ryan Santi, Exec. Dir.; Trent Fleshner, Group Living Director; + other members of management team | DATE: | 06/26/2014 |
| | | TIME BEGAN: | 09:54 AM |
| | | TIME COMPLETED: | 04:10 PM |

NARRATIVE

1 PURPOSE OF VISIT:
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 3 As mandated by California law, this visit was performed on June 26, 2014 by the undersigned analyst for the
 4 purpose of annual recertification and to insure that the facility continues to:
 5 • have adequate and appropriate resources to provide safe, suitable 24-hour residential care, supervision
 6 and treatment services to youth in care.
 7 • remain in substantial compliance with California licensing standards and regulations, as well as licensing
 8 laws and standards of the state of Iowa where the facility is located.
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10 CERTIFICATION HISTORY:
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 12 Pursuant to California Family Code Section 7911 et al., Woodward Academy was initially certified by the
 13 CDSS June 26, 2008; and has been re-certified annually since.
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15 FACILITY INFORMATION, BACKGROUND AND PROGRAM:
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 17 Woodward Academy is a residential treatment facility for male youth ranging in age from 12 to 17 that is
 18 located in Woodward, Iowa, a small town located approximately 25 miles northwest of Des Moines.
 19 Woodward Academy's official governing board is Woodward Youth Corporation, a non-profit organization
 20 established in 1995. The organization's aim is to redirect delinquent, negative behaviors to positive, socially
 21 acceptable patterns. Woodward's treatment philosophy focuses on behavioral and cognitive change through
 22 the establishment of a normative culture using a sociological and cognitive behavioral model. The campus is
 23 on the grounds of the Woodward Resource Center (property owned by the State of Iowa) and consists of
 24 residential halls, an educational complex, indoor and outdoor recreational space, kitchen/cafeteria, nursing
 25 and administrative offices. In addition to mainstream programming, Woodward offers a sex offender and
 90-day high impact program

SUPERVISOR'S NAME: Fernando Sandoval **TELEPHONE:** (916) 654-0118

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

LICENSING EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:
 DATE: 07/07/2014

Carol Lancaster

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

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

Ryan Santi

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CA PLACEMENTS AND PLACING AGENCIES:

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At the time of this year's visit, there were 40 foster youth from California in Woodward's care placed by the following agencies:

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Alameda County Probation (4); Kern County Probation (2); Los Angeles County Probation (5); Merced County Probation (1); Riverside County Probation (5); Sacramento County Probation (9); San Francisco County Probation (2); San Joaquin County Probation (4); Santa Clara County Probation (2); Stanislaus County Probation (3); Stanislaus County Social Services (2); and Vertura County Social Services (1).

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IOWA LICENSING INFORMATION

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Woodward Academy is licensed in the state of Iowa by the Iowa Department of Human Services. The eight living units listed below add up to the facility's licensed capacity of 253. Each living unit is licensed individually:

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Expedition Hall

Capacity: 31

Date of Last Licensing Review: 9/28/2011

Status: License good from 9/1/2011 through 9/1/2014

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Mountaineer Hall

Capacity: 32

Date of Last Licensing Review: 2/28/2013

Status: License good from 3/15/2013 through 9/1/2014

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Legacy Hall

Capacity: 32

Date of Last Licensing Review: 2/28/2013

Status: License good from 3/15/2013 through 1/1/2016

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Delta Hall

Capacity: 32

Date of Last Licensing Review: 2/28/2013

Status: License good from 3/15/2013 through 9/1/2014

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IOWA LICENSING INFORMATION (Continued):

Pathfinder Hall
Capacity: 31
Date of Last Licensing Review: 9/28/2011 Status: License good from 9/1/2011 through 9/1/2014

Navigator Hall
Capacity: 31
Date of Last Licensing Review: 8/21/2012 Status: License good from 9/1/2012 through 9/1/2015

Victory Hall
Capacity: 32
Date of Last Licensing Review: 2/28/2013 Status: License good from 3/15/2013 through 9/1/2015

Triumph Hall
Capacity: 32
Date of Last Licensing Review: 2/28/2013 Status: License good from 3/15/2013 through 9/1/2014

As of the writing of this report, all licenses are in good standing with Iowa Licensing.

FIRE CLEARANCE

Woodward Academy was last inspected by an Iowa Deputy State Fire Marshall and found to be in compliance with fire safety rules, regulations and standards on June 17, 2013.

FOOD SERVICE

Food service and dining amenities are operated out of a centralized kitchen on the Woodward Resource Center grounds which are under the oversight of the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals, Food and Consumer Safety Bureau. A food service inspection was last conducted on May 28, 2014. One minor violation was cited which was corrected.

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MISC. ACCREDITATIONS:

Woodward is accredited by the Joint Commission (Behavioral Health Care Accreditation Program.) Accreditation was last issued April 25, 2014 and is customarily valid for up to 39 months.

Woodward's on campus school is accredited by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement. The current accreditation is valid through June 30, 2018.

Woodward additionally has a certificate of license (No. 1226) issued by the Iowa Department of Public Health to conduct and maintain Juvenile Level I and II.1 Substance Abuse Treatment Services. (Most current certification was issued May 31, 2012 and is good through May 31, 2015.)

BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT/EMERGENCY INTERVENTION RELATED:

Woodward staff are trained in non-physical interventions (de-escalation strategies) as well as physical intervention (restraints) under the JKM training method "Safe Crisis Management." The facility practices physical intervention escorts and restraints only when the client is non-responsive to non-physical interventions and is continuing to present as a danger to themselves or others. Numerous staff at the facility are certified as trainers who, in turn, train other staff.

SCOPE OF RE-CERTIFICATION REVIEW:

- Entrance and exit interview with Ryan Santi, Executive Director; Trenton Fleshner, Group Living Director and other members of the management team.
- Collection of updated and current organizational and program information.
- Walk through tour of residential halls and numerous other buildings on campus.
- Three personnel files reviewed
- Two client files reviewed

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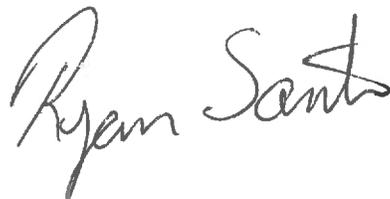
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32**FINDINGS**

Facility, programming offered, care and supervision appear to be in substantial compliance.

Based on auditing three staff files, there was insufficient evidence that one or more staffs' SAFE and First Aid/CPR certification was completed and current. (Reference LIC 859 for staff names)

RECOMMENDATION FOR PLAN OF CORRECTION:

- Create and maintain individual documentation and/or certification for each staff when they *initially* complete SAFE Crisis Management training - - to include dates of training and course duration (number of hours;) date certified; date training is valid through, signature of course instructor.
- Create and maintain individual documentation on SAFE *re-certification* training to include date(s) of retraining and training duration (number of hours;) date re-certification is good through, signature of course instructor.
- Submit evidence that staff Brittany B., Wes H., and Jordan H. (reference LIC 859 for full names) SAFE training meets the requirements above.
- Same with First Aid/CPR training/certification.
- Incorporate the above into the facility's Child Care Staff Training plan, as specified in Sections 84065(i) and (j) of California Group Home Regulations (included with this report as an attachment.)

CERTIFICATION DECISION:Re-certify through June 2015 pending receipt of plan of correction. (Plan of correction due August 4, 2014.)
If plan of correction is not received by said date, certification decision may be revisited.

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