

Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals
Assisted Living Program
Re-certification Monitoring Evaluation Report

Assisted Living Program:

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1013 S Iowa Avenue
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Date of Monitoring Visit:

July 20, 2004

Monitor(s):

Stephanie Cummins, SW

Definitions:

The following definitions are relevant:

Regulatory Insufficiency - A violation of a statutory or rule provision within the Iowa Code or Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) governing assisted living programs. A regulatory insufficiency requires a plan of correction to be presented to, and approved by, the Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA).

Plan of Correction - A written response to one or more regulatory insufficiencies that are rule violations [321 IAC 25.8(3)]. The plan should identify how, and by a specific date, an insufficiency will be corrected. The plan is due to DIA within ten (10) working days of the program's receipt of a Re-certification Monitoring Evaluation Report. Depending on the circumstances, DIA may re-visit the assisted living program to confirm progress in fulfilling a plan's corrective measures.

Dementia-specific assisted living program - An assisted living program certified under this chapter that either serves five or more tenants with dementia or cognitive disorder staged between 4 and 7 on the Global Deterioration Scale or holds itself out as providing specialized care for persons with cognitive disorder or dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, in a dedicated setting.

Overview:

An on-site monitoring evaluation was conducted at Sitler Center for Helpful Living on July 20, 2004. In preparing this report, the following information was considered:

Current Program Census:

General Population Program (GPP) – A program that is not a Dementia Specific program, but may have tenants with cognitive disorder.

Current number of tenants without cognitive disorder:	8
Current number of tenants with cognitive disorder:	2
Total General Population:	10

Dementia Specific Program (DSP) – Not applicable.

Tenant/Family Satisfaction Results – Results of the community meeting and tenant interviews indicated tenants were satisfied with the cleanliness of the building and the meals served. Tenants also indicated they enjoyed the activities offered at the program. The tenants stated the program staff was friendly, competent, and responded to their concerns and needs in a prompt manner. The tenants stated they were satisfied living at the program and would recommend the program to others.

Complaint History – No complaints on file this certification period.

On-Site Monitoring Evaluation – The monitor(s) made the observations detailed in the following areas.

A. Nurse Review - Program provides a registered nurse to ensure the appropriate administration and documentation of medications, ensure that physician orders are current, and assess and document the tenants' health related activities. [321 IAC 25.30]

Monitoring Observation: Four out of twelve tenant charts were reviewed. None of the four charts had a 90-day nurse review that was completed on a consistent basis. Staff Member #1 stated in an interview that this staff member was hired on June 16, 2004 and there was approximately a six-week lapse in employment between the former RN's departure and this staff member's employment. Staff Member #1 also indicated in an interview, that a new form had been developed for the 90-day review.

- Regulatory Insufficiency: The program did not consistently provide a 90-day nurse review of tenants' health related activities.

Dated this 10th day of September 2004.