

**Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals
Assisted Living Program
Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report**

Assisted Living Program:

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The Meadows Assisted Living
528 N Kelly Street
Shell Rock, IA 50610

Date of Monitoring Visit:

May 9, 2006

Monitor(s):

Stephanie Cummins, SW MA

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 The Meadows Assisted Living on May 9, 2006. 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:	22
Current number of tenants with cognitive disorder:	4
Total Population:	26

Dementia Specific Program (DSP)* – Not applicable.

***These are the census numbers represented by the program to be applicable.**

Tenant/Family Satisfaction Results – Eight tenants attended a community and one tenant was interviewed individually. Tenants report the building is clean and has a homelike atmosphere. They enjoy activities including: Tea Time, Red Hat Society, Bingo, exercises, 500 Club, Bible study and outings. The tenants indicate they would like to have more outings to go shopping and out to eat. Tenants state the food is good and is served at appropriate temperatures; however, they would like to have more fresh vegetables and salads. They describe staff as “wonderful” and report staff meets their needs. A tenant stated, “They can’t be beat,” in regards to staff. They report several benefits of living at the program including: not having to do their own laundry, cooking and cleaning, and not having to climb stairs. Tenants indicate they feel safe and enjoy the “small feel” and “family like” atmosphere the program provides.

Complaint History – There were no substantiated complaints during this certification period.

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

A. Service Plan – Program has an individualized service plan developed and updated for each tenant as required. [321 IAC 25.28]

Monitoring Observation: According to program records four tenants were staged at a four on the Global Deterioration Scale (GDS) at the time of the recertification visit. An interview with administrative staff and review of tenant files indicates the service plans do not address specific planned and spontaneous activities for those tenants unable to plan their own.

- Regulatory Insufficiency: The program does not have service plans that identify planned and spontaneous activities for those unable to plan their own; including those tenants with a dementing illness.

Dated this 12th day of May, 2006.