

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

Assisted Living Program:

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300 2Nd St NE
Mason City, IA 50401-3476

Date of Monitoring Visit:

June 19, 2007

Monitor(s):

Mary Oliver, LISW

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 Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report. Depending on the circumstances, DIA may revisit 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 Cornerstone Assisted Living Program on June 19, 2007. 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:	32
Current number of tenants with cognitive disorder:	2
Total Population:	34

Dementia Specific Program (DSP)* – NA

***These are the census numbers represented by the program to be applicable at the time of the on-site.**

Tenant/Family Satisfaction Results – Seventeen of 34 tenants and one family member attended a group interview and four tenants were interviewed privately. Tenants are very pleased with the program one said, “It is a great place to live.” Another commented, “The staff are very nice and helpful.” They said the food is excellent and that there is a very good activity program. Everyone feels safe and thinks they are getting the services they expect. The tenants say they make their own decisions and that medical care is provided promptly when anyone is ill or injured. One tenant noted that there should be better signage at the front so visitors could more easily tell how to get where they need to go and another felt the program should install a canopy over the front doorway. All tenants and the family member were satisfied with the program and would recommend the program to family members and friends.

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

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

There are no insufficiencies noted for this certification review.

Dated this 21st day of June, 2007.