

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

Assisted Living Program:

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Valley Lodge Assisted Living
1118 E. Highway 20
Correctionville, Iowa 51016

Date of Monitoring Visit:

February 20, 2008

Monitor(s):

Michael Streepy RN

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 Valley Lodge Assisted Living on February 20, 2008. 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:	0
Total Population:	8

Dementia Specific Program (DSP) – Not applicable.

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

Tenant/Family Satisfaction Results – A community meeting was held with 6 tenants. The tenants stated the living environment is very good and any needed repairs or concerns are addressed right away. Tenants stated the staff are very good, nice and always helpful. Response to requests for assistance, even at night, takes approximately 5 minutes or less. Tenants stated the food for the most part is very good with substitutes offered, although some thought the food needed to be cooked better with more seasoning. It was stated they get plenty to eat. Tenants stated they could think of nothing the staff or Administration could do to make the program better. Tenants stated activities are good and have plenty to do with a good variety. They feel very safe in the program and have fire drills at least once a month. They are receiving the services they contracted for and are aware of the limitations regarding eligibility to remain in the program. Tenants stated no concerns with autonomy. They do as they wish and make all their own decisions. Tenants stated medical services are provided by program staff. They contact physicians and or send them out to the clinic as they wish or as needed. Tenants stated general satisfaction with the program and state they would recommend it to friends or family members.

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. No regulatory insufficiencies were found during this on-site monitoring visit.

Dated this 28th day of February 2008.