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September 29, 2015

Incident Intake #: 54713-I

Mr. David Raschio, Director
Welcov of Spirit Lake
1819 23rd Street
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

**RE: Final Incident Investigation & Recertification Monitoring Evaluation
Report – Welcov of Spirit Lake, Spirit Lake, IA**

Dear Mr. Raschio:

Enclosed is the **Final Incident Investigation & Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report** completed by the Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA) in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 231C and Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) chapters 481—67 and 481—69, following a survey by DIA on **September 22 - 23, 2015**. The Report notes Regulatory Insufficiencies in the area(s) of: Record checks and Structural Requirements.

Each Regulatory Insufficiency requires that the Program submit a written Plan of Correction (POC).

In preparing the POC, please use the tenant identifiers from the Report, i.e. Tenant #1, when reference is made to specific tenants. If your response includes a specific tenant's assessment or service plan, it is the Program's responsibility to conceal the tenant's name in order to maintain the tenant's anonymity. Your response shall include the following:

1. Elements detailing how the Program will correct each regulatory insufficiency.
2. What measures will be taken to ensure the problem does not recur.
3. How the Program plans to monitor performance to ensure compliance.
4. The date by which the regulatory insufficiency will be corrected.

Please note that all regulatory insufficiencies must be **corrected within 30 days of the date of the exit conference**; however, there may be situations where the timeframe may be shortened or lengthened, at the discretion of the department.

The POC must be submitted/emailed to DIA to my attention within ten (10) working days of receipt of this letter. It may be necessary for DIA to revisit the Program to confirm progress in fulfilling the POC's corrective measures.

As provided by IAC rule 481-67.14, you are afforded one opportunity to refute cited regulatory insufficiencies through the informal conference process. A request for an informal conference or a contested case hearing must be made within 20 working days of the notice or service of this letter and the final report. Please refer to rule 67.14 for more information.

If you have any questions in regard to this report, please contact me at 515/281-7039 or **Rose.Boccella@dia.iowa.gov**

Sincerely,

Rose Boccella

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Program Coordinator
Adult Services Bureau

Enclosure

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