

Division of Health Service Regulation

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: MHL080-035	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED R 01/07/2022
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V 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>A complaint and follow-up survey was completed on 1/7/22. The complaints were unsubstantiated(Intakes #182983, #182982). A deficiency was cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G .5200 Residential Therapeutic(Habilitative) Camp for Children and Adolescents of all Disability Groups</p> <p>The survey sample consisted of audits of 4 of current clients and 3 of 3 former clients.</p>	V 000		
V 277	<p>27G .5202 Res. Tx. Camp - Staff</p> <p>10A NCAC 27G .5202 STAFF</p> <p>(a) Each facility shall have a program director who has:</p> <p>(1) a minimum of two years' experience in child or adolescent services specific to the campers' needs; and</p> <p>(2) who has camping experience, and who has educational preparation in administrative, education, social work, nursing, psychology or a related field.</p> <p>(b) A minimum of two staff members shall be on duty for every eight or fewer campers.</p> <p>(c) Emergency medical treatment shall be available within one hour of the facility.</p> <p>(d) Psychiatric consultation shall be available to the facility.</p> <p>(e) An emergency on-call staff shall be readily available by page and able to reach campers within one hour.</p> <p>(f) Staff assigned to the facility shall be trained to manage the children or adolescents individually and as a group.</p>	V 277		

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LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE _____ TITLE _____ (X6) DATE _____

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V 277	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on interviews and records review, the facility failed to ensure a minimum of two staff members were on duty for every eight or fewer campers. The findings are:</p> <p>Interview on 12/20/21 with client #1 revealed: -a lot of staff were out this past weekend; -most every group had one staff this past weekend; -supervisors went to assist with other groups; -not that way every weekend; -some of staff were out sick.</p> <p>Interview on 12/20/21 with client #2 revealed: -this past weekend, had one group leader working, staff #4; -there is not a lot of staff -the Assistant PD came in, not typically work on the weekend but he came in to assist; -staff #4 came in to work on Friday and left on Monday; -worked all weekend by himself; -for past 3-4 shifts staff been on "singles;" -don't really have the staff.</p> <p>Interview on 12/20/21 with client #3 revealed: -staff #5 came in Sunday around 10am; -worked Monday, Tuesday and got off Wednesday; -female staff was supposed to come in and work with staff #5 but she did not; -the Program Director(PD) came down, he was on campus; -staff #5 called the PD on the walkies; - the PD worked and helped out; -was short staffed.</p> <p>Interview on 1/3/22 with staff #1 revealed: -had a co-counselor but the beginning of</p>	V 277		

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V 277	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>December(2021) she quit; -different people work with him sometimes; -working by himself on shifts some; -have five residents; -doing singles because low in staff; -supervisors fill in; -call his supervisor for support; -have walkie-talkies; -if another group has an extra staff member, they will send that person over.</p> <p>Interview on 1/3/22 with staff #2 revealed "Master Counselors have to work shifts by themselves sometimes I know."</p> <p>Interview on 1/3/22 with client #4 revealed: -last week sometimes had one staff but not on singles long; -singles means one staff working in the group.</p> <p>Review on 1/4/22 of staff schedules for the months of September 2021, October 2021, November 2021, December 2021 revealed: -the months of September, October and November had enough staff; -the month of December had several staff no longer working and vacant positions.</p> <p>Interview on 1/4/22 with the PD revealed: -staffing issues: had enough for every group right after last survey; -then had issues in December(2021): -recently fired one staff on 12/13/21 for unexcused absences; -another staff abruptly quit on 12/18/21; -another staff put in 2-week notice in on 12/5/21 and did not work it; -a different staff worked here nearly a year and then his last day was 12/3/21; -all these people were on the schedule;</p>	V 277		

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V 277	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -November 2021 had enough staff to cover; -also had a supervisor quit; -November 2021 had enough group leaders needed; -have four supervisors who fill in for coverage also; -had another staff out for COVID; -a staff was out for a family death; -a female staff had COVID and also a death in the family; -four people starting Thursday: three group leaders and two-night staff; -he and the Assistant PD came in to help to cover camp; -lost four people who had been here for a long period of time; -not far from full coverage; -normally put extra staff on each rotation so two groups have three people in them; -staff #5 was out sick December 13, 14 and 15; -another staff was out sick for a whole shift the weekend of 12/19/21 because he hurt his hip; -another staff was out 12/17/21, 12/18/21 and 12/19/21 because he was sick, he took a COVID test which was negative but he had the flu; -on the weekend of 12/19/21, he and the Assistant PD came in to cover camp; -had enough staff in October 2021 and November 2021; -"December was rough." 	V 277		