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June 22, 2022

Dennis Beemer
AFC Homes Corp
PO Box 417
406 W 5th
Ewart, MI 49631

RE: License #: AM670009368
Investigation #: 2022A0009027
Beemer Ewart Townhouse

Dear Mr. Beemer:


Attached is the Special Investigation Report for the above referenced facility. Due to the violation identified in the report, a written corrective action plan is required. The corrective action plan is due 15 days from the date of this letter and must include the following:

- How compliance with the rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for the violation.
- A specific time frame as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the responsible party and a date.

If you desire technical assistance in addressing this issue, please contact me. In any event, the corrective action plan is due within 15 days. Failure to submit an acceptable corrective action plan will result in disciplinary action.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (231) 922-5309.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam Robarge". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A".

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AM670009368
Investigation #:	2022A0009027
Complaint Receipt Date:	05/26/2022
Investigation Initiation Date:	05/27/2022
Report Due Date:	06/25/2022
Licensee Name:	AFC Homes Corp
Licensee Address:	PO Box 417 406 W 5th Ewart, MI 49631
Licensee Telephone #:	(616) 446-5647
Lic. Designee/Administrator:	Dennis Beemer
Name of Facility:	Beemer Ewart Townhouse
Facility Address:	406 W. Fifth Street Ewart, MI 49631
Facility Telephone #:	(231) 734-3810
Original Issuance Date:	11/23/1983
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	05/03/2021
Expiration Date:	05/02/2023
Capacity:	12
Program Types:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED, MENTALLY ILL & AGED

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
Resident A took Resident B's medication.	Yes

III. METHODOLOGY

05/26/2022	Special Investigation Intake 2022A0009027
05/27/2022	Contact – Telephone call made to administrator Ms. Martha Hartman
05/31/2022	Inspection Completed On-site Interviews with direct care worker Ms. Millie Jean Beach, administrator Ms. Martha Hartman and licensee designee Mr. Dennis Beemer Face to face contact with Resident A and Resident B
05/31/2022	Exit Conference with licensee designee Mr. Dennis Beemer

ALLEGATION: Resident A took Resident B's medication.

INVESTIGATION: I spoke with administrator Martha Hartman by phone on May 27, 2022. This was in response to a report that she sent regarding an incident where a resident was able to take another resident's medication. Ms. Hartman reported that on May 23, 2022, direct care worker Millie Jean Beach was taking medication from the medication area in the kitchen to a resident in the dining room. Ms. Beach tripped over a walker on her way and spilled some other items she was carrying. She put the medication cup containing the medication on a table where Resident A was sitting. The resident for whom the medication was meant, Resident B, was sitting elsewhere. Ms. Beach hurriedly picked up the items she had dropped and picked up the rest of the mess. When she looked for the cup containing Resident B's medication, it was gone. Both the cup and the medication were missing. Resident A denied taking the medication but was sitting right there. The only plausible explanation for where the medication had gone was Resident A. Given their knowledge of Resident A's behavior, it was believed that she had taken the medication and probably ingested it. Ms. Beach called a fellow staff person to help her with transportation and then called Ms. Hartman. Ms. Hartman said that she confirmed with Ms. Beach that Resident A should be taken to the hospital. Resident A was transported to the hospital where she was monitored for several hours. She appeared unharmed and was sent home. Ms. Hartman went on to say that both she and the licensee designee (Dennis Beemer) spoke with Ms. Beach about the importance of correctly administering medication.

I conducted an onsite inspection of the Beemer Evert Townhouse adult foster care home on May 31, 2022. I wore personal protection equipment to protect myself and others. I spoke with direct care worker Millie Jean Beach. She said that on the evening of May 23, 2022, she was in the process of administering Resident B's medication. She said that another resident called to her, and she tripped over a walker as she was responding to that person. Ms. Beach stated that she was able to set the cup with the medication down on the nearest table. Someone's snack had spilled and she proceeded to clean up the mess this left. When she looked again for the cup containing Resident B's medication, it was gone. Resident A was sitting at the table where she set the medication. Resident A denied taking the medication, but it was the only explanation. Ms. Beach stated that she immediately called another staff member to come to the home and then called Mr. Beemer and Ms. Hartman. They confirmed that she should have Resident A taken to the hospital. Ms. Beach also said that she also double-checked that she had taken the medication out of the pharmacy containers at that time. They were missing and still have not been found. Resident A came back after 3 or 4 hours of observation at the hospital unharmed. Ms. Beach mentioned that she had worked at the home for 20 years. I asked her if anything like this had ever happened before. She said that there had been a minor mix-up with resident medication many years ago but that was the only time. Ms. Hartman and Mr. Beemer had done a medication administration "refresher course" after that previous incident. She has not known there to be any other issues with medication since that time.

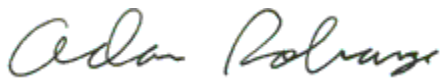
I then spoke with Mr. Beemer and Ms. Hartman about the incident. They said that they had both spoken with Ms. Beach about proper medication administration. She knew that she should have taken care of the medication before anything else. Ms. Beach had the option of locking the medication back up and then cleaning up the mess. She knows that is what she should have done and will do that in the future. Resident A most likely took Resident B's medication which consisted of 350 mg. of Clozapine, a stool softener and melatonin.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.14312	Resident medications.
	(6) A licensee shall take reasonable precautions to insure that prescription medication is not used by a person other than the resident for whom the medication was prescribed.
ANALYSIS:	It was confirmed through this investigation that Resident A had access and was able to take Resident B's medication. A direct care worker set the medication down for a short time after an accident. The medication was missing shortly after she set it down. Resident A was sitting at the table where the medication was placed. The direct care worker believed that Resident A had taken the medication and most likely had already ingested it by that point.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION ESTABLISHED

I conducted an in-person exit conference with licensee designee Dennis Beemer on May 31, 2022. I told him the findings of my investigation and gave him the opportunity to ask questions.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Upon receipt of an acceptable corrective action plan, I recommend no change in the license status.



06/22/2022

Adam Robarge
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:

Jerry Hendrick

06/22/2022

Jerry Hendrick
Area Manager

Date