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MARLON I. BROWN, DPA
DIRECTOR

August 12, 2026

Ebony Howard-Smith
1258 Scofield Dr
SAGINAW, MI 48601

RE: License #:	AF730418146 In Ebony's Care 1258 Scofield Dr Saginaw, MI 48601
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Dear Ebony Howard-Smith:

Attached is the Renewal Licensing Study Report for the facility referenced above. The violations cited in the report require the submission of a written corrective action plan. The corrective action plan is due 15 days from the date of this letter and must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific dates for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the licensee or licensee designee or home for the aged authorized representative and a date.

Upon receipt of an acceptable corrective plan, a regular license will be issued. If you fail to submit an acceptable corrective action plan, disciplinary action will result.

Please contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, you may contact the local office at (517) 643-7960.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Martin Gonzales". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Martin" and last name "Gonzales" clearly distinguishable.

Martin Gonzales, Licensing Consultant
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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
RENEWAL INSPECTION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AF730418146
Licensee Name:	Ebony Howard-Smith
Licensee Address:	1258 Scofield Dr SAGINAW, MI 48601
Licensee Telephone #:	(989) 245-1285
Licensee/Licensee Designee:	N/A
Administrator:	N/A
Name of Facility:	In Ebony's Care
Facility Address:	1258 Scofield Dr Saginaw, MI 48601
Facility Telephone #:	(989) 401-0758
Original Issuance Date:	03/25/2024
Capacity:	3
Program Type:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED AGED

II. METHODS OF INSPECTION

Date of On-site Inspection(s): 08/12/2026

Date of Bureau of Fire Services Inspection if applicable: N/A

Date of Health Authority Inspection if applicable: N/A

No. of staff interviewed and/or observed 1

No. of residents interviewed and/or observed 1

No. of others interviewed 0 Role:

- Medication pass / simulated pass observed? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- Medication(s) and medication record(s) reviewed? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- Resident funds and associated documents reviewed for at least one resident? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- Meal preparation / service observed? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- Fire drills reviewed? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
Licensee did not have any fire drills documented.
- Fire safety equipment and practices observed? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- E-scores reviewed? (Special Certification Only) Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☒
If no, explain.
- Water temperatures checked? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- Incident report follow-up? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, explain.
- Corrective action plan compliance verified? Yes ☐ CAP date/s and rule/s:
N/A ☒
- Number of excluded employees followed-up? 0 N/A ☒
- Variances? Yes ☐ (please explain) No ☐ N/A ☒

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

This facility was found to be in non-compliance with the following rules:	
R 400.619	Emergency preparedness plan.
	(8) A licensee shall practice the emergency preparedness plan, including the fire safety plan, at least once a quarter per calendar year during each shift, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. and 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. A record of the practices must be maintained for 2 years.
At the time of inspection, there were no documented fire drills recorded.	
R 400.729	Heating equipment.
	(2) A furnace, water heater, heating appliances, pipes, wood-burning stoves and furnaces, and other flame- or heat-producing equipment must be installed in a fixed or permanent manner and in accordance with a manufacturer's instructions and maintained in a safe condition. Clothes dryers must be properly vented to the outside using permanent metal duct work.
At the time of inspection, the dryer duct was not all made of metal.	

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Contingent upon receipt of an acceptable corrective action plan, renewal of the license is recommended.



08/12/2026

Martin Gonzales Licensing Consultant	Date
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