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Meron Berehameskel
Abeba AFC Homes, Inc.
92 Center Street
Pontiac, MI 48342

RE: Application #: AS630332497
Abeba AFC Home
92 Center Street
Pontiac, MI 48342

Dear Ms. Berehameskel:

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules. Therefore, a temporary license with a maximum capacity of 6 is issued.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and feel free to contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please feel free to contact the local office at (248) 975-5053.

Sincerely,

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enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
BUREAU OF CHILDREN AND ADULT LICENSING
LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AS630332497
Applicant Name:	Abeba AFC Homes, Inc.
Applicant Address:	92 Center Street Pontiac, MI 48342
Applicant Telephone #:	(248) 481-7367
Administrator/Licensee Designee:	Meron Berehameskel
Name of Facility:	Abeba AFC Home
Facility Address:	92 Center Street Pontiac, MI 48342
Facility Telephone #:	(248) 481-7367
Application Date:	07/10/2012
Capacity:	6
Program Type:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED MENTALLY ILL

II. METHODOLOGY

07/10/2012	Enrollment
07/17/2012	Contact - Document Sent Rules & Act booklets
07/17/2012	Application Incomplete Letter Sent Received clearance and fingerprints for Meron
08/01/2012	Contact - Document Received 1326 & fingerprints (not downloaded) Meron.
08/01/2012	Contact - Document Sent Connie/LEIN-1326/Meron.
08/01/2012	Application Complete/On-site Needed
08/02/2012	File Transferred To Field Office Pontiac.
08/10/2012	Application Incomplete Letter Sent
09/07/2012	Inspection Completed On-site
09/07/2012	Inspection Completed-BCAL Full Compliance

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

Abeba AFC Home, Inc. is located at 92 Center Street Pontiac Michigan 48342. The home is located near downtown Pontiac off Auburn Road, and close to Wide Track in Oakland County. Habtezion Medhanie and Showanesh Mebratu own the home. The lease is between Abeba's AFC Home Inc. and Habtezion Medhanie and Showanesh Mebratu. A copy of the lease was submitted and is retained in the home file. Ms. Berehanemeskel is the President of Abeba AFC Home, Inc.

The Abeba AFC Home is a single story home. A separate apartment is located upstairs at the rear of the home. The apartment has a separate entrance. The apartment will be used for the staff. The home has large dining room, a living room, kitchen and four bedrooms. The home has a basement, which contains the furnace and hot water heater, and has the appropriate fire safety door separating the basement from the main floor. The basement has a separate exit leading to the outside. The home has a detached garage with parking available in the paved driveway and on the street. The interior of the home is spacious, comfortable, clean, and well maintained. The laundry room is located off the kitchen.

Resident bedrooms were measured at the time of final inspection and were found to be of the following dimensions and accommodation capability:

Bedroom #	Room Dimensions	Total Square Footage	Total Resident Beds
1	13'3" x 12'9"	168	2
2	12'1" x 10'8" + 7'2" x 2'9"	148	2
3	10'10" x 10'4"	111	1
4	7'2" x 9'9" + 7' x 3'4"	93	1

The total capacity for the home will be six (6).

The living space for the home was measured. The home has a living room that measures 17'9" x 11' 7" equals 205 square feet, a dining area that measures 13'1" x 11'11" equals 144 square feet. The home has a total of 350 feet of living space. Based upon the above measurements, there will be more than the required 35 square feet per resident minimal living space available for the residents of the home.

The bedrooms were properly furnished, clean, and organized. Each bedroom has an easily operable window with screen, a mirror for grooming and a chair. The bedrooms all have adequate closet space for the storage of clothing and personal belongings. The bedrooms also have adequate lighting to provide for the needs of the staff and residents.

The home has one full bathroom. The bathroom is equipped with required non-skid surfacing and handrails, to assure resident safety in the maintenance of personal hygiene. The bathroom was equipped with soap and paper towels for hand washing.

The kitchen and bathroom areas were evaluated and were found to be adequately equipped and in clean condition. Poisons and caustics will be stored in a secured area not used for food; the refrigerator was equipped with thermometers to monitor the temperature of food storage. Laundry appliances are located off the kitchen. The washer and electric dryer were properly installed and the dryer vent was made of acceptable non-combustible material.

The building has a fully integrated hard wired smoke detection system that was tested and found to be in working order on the date of final inspection (September 7, 2012). The home has fire extinguishers located on the first floor and in the basement. The home has two direct means of egress from the main floor and utilize doors that are equipped with positive latching non-locking against egress hardware. All the bedroom doors have conforming hardware and have proper door width.

A gas forced air furnace heats the facility. The furnace and the gas hot water heater are located in the basement. I also found the electrical service to be adequate and in safe

condition at the time of final inspection.

Evacuation routes were posted in the facility, with emergency telephone numbers posted in proximity to the telephone. The home had its emergency preparedness plans posted as required. The home has emergency medical services available through the City of Pontiac.

The lawn and other vegetation surrounding the home are adequately maintained. The driveway, walkway, and porches are all in good condition. The house itself is in good condition.

Abeba AFC Home, Inc. uses public water and sewerage services.

There is a vehicle available for resident transportation that is in good, working condition, and has a first aid kit in it.

B. Program Description

On 07/10/2012, the Bureau received a license application and application fee from Ms. Berehanemeskel, acting on behalf of Abeba's AFC Home Inc., to operate a small group adult foster care (AFC) facility at the above referenced address in Pontiac, Michigan. Abeba's AFC Home Inc. is a domestic non-profit corporation with tax-exempt status.

The facility will offer a program for mentally ill and developmentally disabled female or male adults who are 25 through 75 years of age. According to the program statement, the program and support services provided to the residents of Abeba AFC Home will be a home-like setting for the care of the residents. The corporation will provide a quality environment with normal home life atmosphere, where each resident has the opportunity to participate in home or outside activities. Basic self-training to teach and/or reinforce skills in dressing, grooming, bathing, eating, toileting and following simple instructions will be provided. The home will provide 24-hour room, board, supervision, personal care, protection, transportation, training, guidance, recreation, and social skill development.

Ms. Berehanemeskel submitted admissions and discharge policies for the Abeba AFC Inc. The documents are acceptable as written. Also included in the Bureau files are a proposed staffing pattern, a current lease, a floor plan with room use and size specifications, and current financial documents.

Ms. Berehanemeskel understands the requirements relating to the maintenance of fire drill records. She has indicated that it is the corporation's intent to conduct fire drills during the day, afternoon, and sleeping hours on a quarterly basis, as well as to maintain a record of these fire drills. Ms. Berehanemeskel submitted a copy of the program statement to the Bureau for review. The document is acceptable as written.

Ms. Berehanemeskel submitted personnel policies and job descriptions for Abeba AFC Home and they are acceptable as written.

C. Applicant and Administrator Qualifications

The licensee designee, Ms. Berehanemeskel, has been involved in foster care for about six years. Based on her previous experience, she has demonstrated that she has the administrative and management expertise to run an Adult Foster Care facility.

A Records Clearance Request has been processed for Ms. Berehanemeskel. Based upon her background, experience, and the Record Clearance Report, I find that she is of good moral character, sound judgment, and is suitable to provide care to dependent adults.

A current Licensing Medical Clearance form for Ms. Berehanemeskel contained in the record. The form indicates that she is in good physical and emotional health, and there is no reason why she should not be involved in the operation of this facility, and the provision of adult foster care. A current negative TB test is on file.

Ms. Berehanemeskel submitted in writing that she will be the administrator and licensee designee for this home and Ms. Showanesh Mebratu will be the responsible person.

Ms. Berehanemeskel is aware of the requirements for staff qualifications and training and intends to comply with the rules. She understands that all employees must submit to a pre-employment physical, which includes a TB tine test. The results of the test are obtained before employment begins. The corporation also verifies age and checks references before a person is offered employment. The corporation provides and training of its own relating to reporting requirements, emergency procedures, prohibited practices, resident rights, and personal care, protection, and supervision required in adult foster care. Each employee must complete certified training in First Aid and CPR. Evidence of staff training will be maintained in the employee records for future Bureau review.

In addition, Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledged an understanding of the responsibility to assess the good moral character of employees and contractors who have regular, ongoing, "direct access" to residents or the resident information or both. The licensing consultant provided technical assistance on the process for obtaining criminal record checks utilizing the Michigan Long Term Care Partnership website (www.miltcpartnership.org), Cogent, and the related documents required to be maintained in each employee's record to demonstrate compliance.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding medication procedures and that only those direct care staff that have received medication training and have been determined competent by the licensee, can administer medication to residents. In addition, Ms. Berehanemeskel has indicated that

resident medication will be stored in a locked cabinet and that daily medication logs will be maintained on each resident receiving medication.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges her responsibility to obtain all required documentation and signatures that are to be completed prior to each direct care staff or volunteer working with residents. In addition, Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges her responsibility to maintain a current employee record on file in the home for the licensee, administrator, and direct care staff or volunteer and the retention schedule for all of the documents contained within each employee's file.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding informing each resident of their resident rights and providing them with a copy of those rights. Ms. Berehanemeskel indicated that it is her intent to achieve and maintain compliance with these requirements.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the written and verbal reporting of incidents and accidents and the responsibility to conduct an immediate investigation of the cause. Ms. Berehanemeskel has indicated her intention to achieve and maintain compliance with the reporting and investigation of each incident and accident involving a resident, employee, and/or visitor.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the handling of resident funds and valuables and intends to comply.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges her responsibility to obtain all of the required forms and signatures that are to be completed prior to, or at the time of each resident's admission to the home as well as the required forms and signatures to be completed for each resident on an annual basis. In addition, Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges her responsibility to maintain a current resident record on file in the home for each resident and the retention schedule for all of the documents contained within each resident's file.

Ms. Berehanemeskel acknowledges her responsibility to provide a written discharge notice to the appropriate parties when a 30-day or less than 30-day discharge is requested.

D. Rule/Statutory Violations

The applicant was in compliance with the licensing act and applicable administrative rules at the time of licensure.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a temporary license to this AFC adult small group home (capacity 1-6).

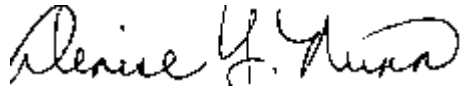


September 12, 2012

Ian Tschirhart
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



September 12, 2012

Denise Y. Nunn
Area Manager

Date