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May 14, 2018

Amos Hamilton  
5551 E Mosherville  
Jonesville, MI 49250

RE: License #: AF300016254  
Investigation #: **2018A0122023**  
**Shady Hills Care Home**

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

Attached is the Special Investigation Report for the above referenced facility. Due to the violations 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 each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames 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 responsible party and a date.

If you desire technical assistance in addressing these issues, please feel free to 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 (517) 284-9720.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

<b>License #:</b>	AF300016254
<b>Investigation #:</b>	2018A0122023
<b>Complaint Receipt Date:</b>	04/16/2018
<b>Investigation Initiation Date:</b>	04/16/2018
<b>Report Due Date:</b>	06/15/2018
<b>Licensee Name:</b>	Amos Hamilton
<b>Licensee Address:</b>	5551 E Mosherville Jonesville, MI 49250
<b>Licensee Telephone #:</b>	(517) 563-2678
<b>Administrator:</b>	N/A
<b>Licensee Designee:</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Facility:</b>	Shady Hills Care Home
<b>Facility Address:</b>	5551 E. Mosherville Rd. Jonesville, MI 49250
<b>Facility Telephone #:</b>	(517) 563-2678
<b>Original Issuance Date:</b>	01/17/1995
<b>License Status:</b>	REGULAR
<b>Effective Date:</b>	03/13/2018
<b>Expiration Date:</b>	03/12/2020
<b>Capacity:</b>	6
<b>Program Type:</b>	PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED MENTALLY ILL

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**II. ALLEGATION(S)**

	Violation Established?
Adult household member, Relative A, has and/or uses marijuana and cocaine within the adult foster care home placing the residents at risk.	Yes

**III. METHODOLOGY**

04/16/2018	Special Investigation Intake 2018A0122023
04/16/2018	Special Investigation Initiated – Telephone Completed interview with Deputy Steve Rathbun.
04/17/2018	Contact – Telephone Call Received Deputy Steven Rathbun. Received information regarding Relative A. Will forward all information including his police report.
04/19/2018	Inspection Completed On-site Completed interview with Amos and Darlene Hamilton  Completed exit conference with Amos and Darlene Hamilton
04/23/2018	Contact – Document Received Police Report and supporting documents forward by Deputy Steve Rathbun

**ALLEGATION:** Adult household member, Relative A, has and/or uses marijuana and cocaine within the adult foster care home placing the residents at risk.

**INVESTIGATION:** On 04/16/2018, I completed an interview with Deputy Steve Rathbun. Deputy Rathbun reported that he was called to investigate allegations that household member, Relative A, was observed by Relative B ingesting an illegal substance, cocaine, at the Shady Hills Care Home adult foster care family home.

On 04/14/2018, Deputy Rathbun went to the home to complete an investigation. While there he was able to interview Relative A and view his bedroom. Deputy Rathbun stated Relative A denied using cocaine, however, marijuana paraphernalia was observed in his bedroom. Relative A refused to allow Deputy Rathbun to

complete a search of his bedroom. Deputy Rathbun confiscated the drug paraphernalia, that which was visible, found in Relative A's bedroom.

Deputy Rathbun discussed the issue with Amos and Darlene Hamilton. Both reported they had no knowledge that Relative A was using drugs in their home, nor did they have knowledge of the marijuana paraphernalia found in Relative A's room. Deputy Rathbun stated Amos and Darlene Hamilton were cooperative during the investigation and were relieved that the drug paraphernalia was being removed from their home.

Deputy Rathbun contacted Adult Protective Services on 04/14/2018 to report the information regarding Relative A.

On 04/19/2018, Deputy Rathbun reported that Relative A tested positive for cocaine during a drug screen. Deputy Rathbun reported that based upon his investigation Relative A would be charged to address the issues regarding illegal substances and child endangerment.

On 04/19/2018, I completed an on-site inspection at the Shady Hills Care adult foster care family home. Relative A was not present, but I assessed his bedroom. I observed his personal items in the room, including but not limited to: clothes, television, pictures, games, etc.; indicating that he resides in the home.

I completed an interview with Amos and Darlene Hamilton. Both were very upset and stated they had no idea drugs and/or drug paraphernalia was being used or stored in their home. They reported the police came to their home found and removed a glass pipe. They stated they have received no additional information from anyone. When they questioned Relative A about the pipe, he reported that it belonged to his son, their grandson, and he removed it from his possession.

Amos and Darlene Hamilton stated that although Relative A has his personal items stored in their home, he does not live there. They stated Relative A visits with his children in the home every other weekend and this is the only time he stays overnight in the home. Darlene Hamilton reported that Relative A uses their home as his legal address, but he typically lives elsewhere.

On 04/19/2018, I completed my exit conference with Amos and Darlene Hamilton. I reported my findings to them. Both reported they understood my findings and would submit a corrective action plan that adequately addresses the rule violation found.

On 04/23/2018, I reviewed the Hillsdale County Sheriff Department's Incident Report dated 04/16/2018. The report confirms Deputy Rathbun's findings during his investigation on 04/14/2018 involving the Shady Hills Care Home adult foster care family home where Amos and Darlene Hamilton are the licensee. The report states that Deputy Rathbun found the following items on the property: "two multi colored bong, burnt marijuana cigarette, and clear plastic baggie."

The report documents that Deputy Rathbun completed an interview with Relative A. Relative A disclosed the following information during the interview: admitted that the “burnt marijuana residue and bongs” were his, he smoked marijuana on the property, “stepped outside on the back deck and smoked it,” he did not have a medical marijuana card, and he is currently on probation.

Deputy Rathbun completed an interview with Relative B, to which he admitted that he observed Relative A use cocaine on the property. Relative B stated that “he walked upstairs to his room and when he opened the door he observed” Relative A “snorting cocaine up his nose with a tube...” Relative A “tested positive for cocaine use” per drug test dated 04/16/2018.

Based upon Deputy Rathbun’s investigation he has completed a Warrant Request & Disposition form dated 04/15/2018 requesting that Relative A is charged with possession of marijuana and child abuse/neglect 4<sup>th</sup> degree.

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.1404</b>	<b>Licensee, responsible person, and member of the household; qualifications.</b>
	<b>(5) All responsible persons and members of the household shall be of good moral character and suitable temperament to assure the welfare of residents.</b>

<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	<p>Adult household member, Relative A, has and/or uses marijuana and cocaine within the adult foster care home placing the residents at risk.</p> <p>The Hillsdale County Sheriff Department's Incident Report dated 04/16/2018 documents that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relative B observed Relative A in his bedroom located in the Shady Hills Care Home adult foster care home "snorting cocaine up his nose with a tube..."</li> <li>• Relative A tested positive for cocaine use on 04/16/2018</li> <li>• Deputy Steve Rathbun confiscated "two multi colored bong, burnt marijuana cigarette, and clear plastic baggie from Relative A's bedroom</li> <li>• Relative A admitted to marijuana use on the property, "stepped outside on the back deck and smoked it."</li> </ul> <p>Based upon my investigation there is evidence to support household member, Relative A, does not possess suitable temperament to assure the welfare of the residents of Shady Hills Care Home adult foster care family home.</p>
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

**IV. RECOMMENDATION**

Contingent upon an acceptable corrective action plan, I recommend no change to the status of the license.



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Licensing Consultant

Date: 04/23/2018

Approved By:



Ardra Hunter  
Area Manager

Date: 05/14/2018