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June 22, 2022

Randall Clark
Belle Meade Foundation, Inc.
36270 Bordman Road
Richmond, MI 48062

RE: License #: AS500404386
Investigation #: 2022A0604018
Belle Meade Residential

Dear Mr. Clark:

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.
- Indicate how continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- Be signed and dated.

A six-month provisional license is recommended. If you do not contest the issuance of a provisional license, you must indicate so in writing; this may be included in your corrective action plan or in a separate document. If you contest the issuance of a provisional license, you must notify this office in writing and an administrative hearing will be scheduled. Even if you contest the issuance of a provisional license, you must still submit an acceptable corrective action plan.

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.

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 (248) 975-5053.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristine Cilluffo".

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

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AS500404386
Investigation #:	2022A0604018
Complaint Receipt Date:	04/19/2022
Investigation Initiation Date:	04/19/2022
Report Due Date:	06/18/2022
Licensee Name:	Belle Meade Foundation, Inc.
Licensee Address:	36270 Bordman Road Richmond, MI 48062
Licensee Telephone #:	(586) 405-8710
Administrator:	Randall Clark
Licensee Designee:	Randall Clark
Name of Facility:	Belle Meade Residential
Facility Address:	36264 Bordman Road Richmond, MI 48062
Facility Telephone #:	(586) 405-8710
Original Issuance Date:	03/05/2021
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	03/14/2022
Expiration Date:	03/13/2024
Capacity:	6
Program Type:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED MENTALLY ILL

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
Resident A was taken to an unknown medical facility due to bilateral bruising behind both ears. On 04/15/2022, Resident A was brought to Lake Huron Medical Center for new onset bruising to his groin.	Yes

III. METHODOLOGY

04/19/2022	Special Investigation Intake 2022A0604018
04/19/2022	Special Investigation Initiated - Letter Email to Dan Clark. Mr. Clark emailed incident report on 04/18/2022.
04/19/2022	Contact - Document Sent Email to Adult Protective Services (APS) Worker, Krystal Shaw.
04/19/2022	APS Referral Referral to licensing from APS.
04/19/2022	Contact - Document Received Email from APS Worker, Krystal Shaw
04/20/2022	Inspection Completed On-site Completed unannounced onsite investigation. Interviewed Licensee Designee, Randy Clark and Dan Clark. Received copy of Resident A's report from McLaren Port Huron.
04/20/2022	Contact - Document Sent Email to Krystal Shaw
04/20/2022	Contact - Document Sent Email to Dan Clark. Received return email.
04/20/2022	Contact - Telephone call received Received text messages from Dan Clark with pictures of bruises behind Resident A's ears. Sent return text.
05/03/2022	Contact - Document Received Email from Krystal Shaw. Sent return email.

05/10/2022	Contact - Document Received Received law enforcement report, medical records and pictures from APS Worker, Krystal Shaw by email.
05/10/2022	Contact - Document Sent Email to Krystal Shaw
06/07/2022	Contact- Telephone call made TC to Staff, April Samson
06/07/2022	Contact- Telephone call made Left message from Staff, Brenda Smith
06/22/2022	Inspection Completed On-site Completed onsite investigation. Interviewed Licensee Designee, Randy Clark, Staff Beth Kain, Resident B, Resident C, Resident D, Resident E. Received copy of Resident A's plan of service dated 12/15/2021.
06/22/2022	Contact- Telephone call made TC to Resident A's Guardian, Jim Stark from Macomb-Oakland Guardianship, Inc. (MOGI)
06/22/2022	Exit Conference Completed exit conference with Licensee Designee, Randy Clark by email.

ALLEGATION:

Resident A was taken to unknown medical facility due to bilateral bruising behind both ears. On 04/15/2022, Resident A was brought to Lake Huron Medical Center for new onset bruising to his groin.

INVESTIGATION:

I received a complaint regarding Belle Meade Residential on 04/19/2022. Resident A is developmentally delayed with limited speech. Resident A is also diagnosed with impulse and mood disorders. Approximately two weeks ago, Resident A was taken to an unknown medical facility due to bilateral bruising behind both ears. On 04/15/2022, Resident A was brought to Lake Huron Medical Center for new onset bruising to his groin. The bruising is significant with swelling. Resident A is bruised from his pelvis to his testicle, and it is spreading down his thighs. Resident A's testicles are swollen to the size of grapefruits and purple. There is a concern for decreased blood flow to at least one of Resident A's testicles. The bruising was discovered because Resident A started walking funny and bowlegged. Staff initially thought Resident A was just chaffed from

having diarrhea. Resident A did not have the bruising or swelling on 04/14/2022. Resident A stated that Resident B kicked him.

On 04/20/2022, I completed an unannounced onsite investigation at Belle Meade Residential. I interviewed Home Manager, Dan Clark and Licensee Designee, Randy Clark. I received a copy of Resident A's discharge paper from McLaren Port Huron. Resident A was still hospitalized at the time of the investigation.

On 04/20/2022, I interviewed, Home Manager, Dan Clark. He stated that on 04/07/2022 Resident A was taken to the hospital when they discovered bruising behind both of his ears. They have no idea what caused the bruising. The hospital did a CT scan and bloodwork. Mr. Clark stated that on 04/15/2022, Resident A was walking with his legs open. Staff discovered bruising to his groin area. The hospital indicated that bruising and swelling was consistent with blunt force trauma. Resident A has limited verbal skills, however, indicated he was kicked by Resident B. Resident B has lived in the home since 12/11/2021 and has no known history of being physically aggressive. They have not seen any of the other residents be physically aggressive towards Resident B. Resident A and Resident B do have bedrooms next to each other. Mr. Clark stated that they are unaware of any accidents or incidents that may have caused bruising to Resident A's ears or groin injury. None of the staff know what happened. Mr. Clark stated that staff, Brenda Smith and April Samson, were working when the groin injury was discovered. Both are long term employees they have known for years.

On 04/20/2022, I interviewed Licensee Designee, Randy Clark. Mr. Clark did not know how Resident A was injured. He stated that Resident A said that Resident B kicked him, however, he has limited verbal ability and is not a good historian. Mr. Clark stated that when Resident A was taken to hospital by staff the hospital asked Resident A, "Did someone kick you?". Resident A responded "(Resident B)". Resident A kept pointing at a scratch on his knee not his groin. He stated that Resident B does yell, but he is not known him to physically attack people Mr. Clark stated that Resident B weighs about 300 pounds and rarely gets out of bed. He does not believe that Resident B has the capacity or mobility to hit Resident A with the force needed to cause such a serious groin injury. He believes Resident A would let them know if he was hurt by Resident B. Mr. Clark stated that he has been in contact with the guardian and hospital. The hospital has made a police report. The Macomb County Sheriff is investigating. Mr. Clark stated that he talked to a urologist who thought the injury was caused by blunt force trauma. Mr. Clark stated they discovered that Resident A had a stint from a previous surgery, and he is not sure if it could have contributed to the injury. He also indicated that Resident A had been coughing a lot due to a recent sinus infection. Mr. Clark stated that Resident A attends the CEO Workshop. They did not report any incidents that could have caused an injury. The workshop did ask about the bruising behind Resident A's ears. Mr. Clark stated that they typically have one to two staff per shift. There were two staff on shift when the injury was discovered.

On 04/20/2022, I received a copy of Resident A's discharge papers from McLaren Port Huron hospital. Resident A was seen on 04/07/2022 for ecchymosis of postauricular region. Resident A was taken to McLaren Port Huron for bruising behind his ears.

On 04/20/2022, I received text messages from Home Manager, Dan Clark with pictures of bruises behind Resident A's ears. There was a purple-colored bruise along the back of one ear. The other ear had a larger purple and yellow bruise along the back of Resident A's ear and onto neck.

On 05/10/2022, I received an email from APS Worker, Krystal Shaw with Macomb County Sherriff's report, hospital records and pictures of injury. Ms. Shaw stated that she would be closing her case due to insufficient findings. Law enforcement will also be closing their case. The Macomb County Sherriff's report from Detective Jacob Howell indicated, "As a result of my investigation, I have no evidence that there was any sort of abuse with group home staff. (Resident A) has consistently told multiple people that (Resident B) kicked him and there is no evidence to prove otherwise. At this time, I am not seeking any sort of charges on (Resident B). (Resident A's) Guardian Jim Stark was notified and he was satisfied with the investigation. This report was completed and this case was sent for Final Review." The report also states that Resident B was interviewed by the Macomb County Sheriff. Resident B denied ever kicking Resident A or assaulting him at any time. Resident B stated that they are buddies, and he would never hurt him. Resident B was asked why Resident A would say something like that and Resident B stated that Resident A was trying to get him kicked out of the home. Resident B could not answer why Resident A would want him kicked out of the house. Resident B stated that he was telling the truth. The pictures of Resident A show that he had bruising behind both ears. Resident A's entire pelvis, groin and between thighs had purple bruising with swelling. Resident A's medical record from MI Lake Huron Medical Center dated 04/15/2022 states, "Patient has 2 seemingly traumatic injuries in the past week. Caregiver states that he was seen last week with head contusions and had a CAT scan done at the outlying emergency department. He is now here tonight with significant purple contusions to the mons pubis area, lower, pelvis, inner thighs and scrotum. Patient states that he was "kicked by (Resident B). Police were called from report."

On 06/07/2022, I interviewed Staff, April Samson, by phone. Ms. Samson was unsure how Resident A got bruises behind his ears, however, she stated that she had taken him to urgent care for an upper respiratory infection and he had to wear a mask. Ms. Samson stated that the bruises showed up the next day. Dan Clark asked her what happened, and Resident A was taken to the hospital. Ms. Samson stated that she does not know how Resident A's groin was injured. She was on shift when the injury was discovered. Ms. Samson stated that Resident A had loose stool and was walking bow legged. She thought he might be walking different because of cream that was put on him. Staff, Brenda, took Resident A to the bathroom to assist him and called her in to look at his injury. Ms. Samson took Resident A to hospital. Ms. Samson stated that she works one shift per week, Friday 4:00 pm- Saturday 8:00 am. There are two staff on shift when she works. She always works with full-time staff, Brenda. She stated that some shifts do only have one staff and she has heard that they can have some rough

nights. She stated that she had no concerns about the home and believes they have amazing staff.

On 06/07/2022, I attempted to interview Staff, Brenda Smith, by phone. I left a message for Ms. Smith.

On 06/22/2022, I completed another onsite investigation. I interviewed Licensee Designee, Randy Clark, Staff Beth Kain, Resident B, Resident C, Resident D and Resident E. I received a copy of Resident A's plan of Service dated 12/15/2021. Resident A and Resident F were unable to be interviewed due to verbal ability.

On 06/22/2022, I interviewed Licensee Designee Randy Clark and Staff, Beth Kain. Mr. Clark stated that since Resident A has returned to the home, he observed Resident A hitting himself. He stated that Resident A would have fits of yelling. He followed him to his room and has seen him hitting himself in the head and punching his lower body. He observed this behavior two to three weeks after Resident A returned home from the hospital. Mr. Clark stated that he is convinced that a medical issue contributed to Resident A's injury. He believes that a clip from a previous, unknown surgery attributed to the severity of groin injury. Staff, Beth Kain, heard Resident A yelling in his bedroom and saw him hitting himself in his legs.

On 06/22/2022, I received Resident A's plan of service dated 12/15/2021. Resident A's plan indicates that his signs and symptoms of escalation include thrashing around, falling to the floor, banging his head on wall and grabbing himself on the chest area.

On 06/22/2022, I interviewed Resident B. He stated that he has lived in the home for one year and it is going "ok". He stated that he has never seen any physical fights involving staff or residents. He stated that everyone is getting along. He has never been in any physical altercations in the home. He has only had verbal arguments.

On 06/22/2022, I interviewed Resident C. He stated that he has lived in the home since December 2021 and is doing good. He stated that he has never observed residents getting into physical fights. He has only seen verbal fights. He stated that Resident B cusses at other residents. Resident B has told him to shut up and called him names. Resident C stated that Resident B has been kicked out of workshop for this behavior. He has never seen a resident have a physical altercation with staff.

On 06/22/2022, I interviewed Resident D. He stated that he has lived in the home since September 2021. Resident D stated that he has been in the home too long and would like his own apartment. He stated that Resident A likes to grab and hold people. He has never seen any physical fights involving staff or residents.

On 06/22/2022, I interviewed Resident E. He gave limited responses to questions. Resident E stated that he was doing good. He indicated that he was not aware of any physical fights in home.

On 06/22/2022, I interviewed Resident A's guardian, Jim Stark, from MOGI. He stated that he has not had any concerns since Resident A returned to the home from the hospital. He indicated that he was very concerned about the injuries and made sure the police investigation was completed because Resident A returned. He believes that Resident A could have been involved in a physical altercation with another resident at workshop, however, it is possible an altercation occurred the morning before he went to workshop. He stated they really do not know what happened. Mr. Stark believed that a clip from a prior surgery could have contributed to Resident A's groin injury.

I completed an exit conference with licensee designee, Randy Clark, on 06/22/2022. I informed him of the violation found and that a copy of the special investigation report would be mailed once approved. I also informed him that a corrective action plan would be requested, and a provisional license was recommended.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.14305	Resident protection.
	(3) A resident shall be treated with dignity and his or her personal needs, including protection and safety, shall be attended to at all times in accordance with the provisions of the act.
ANALYSIS:	The home did not provide adequate protection and safety for Resident A. Resident A obtained two significant injuries within one week. On 04/07/2022, Resident A was taken to McLaren Hospital for significant bruising behind both ears. The cause of the injury is unknown. On 04/15/2022, Resident A was taken to MI Lake Huron Medical Center for bruising and swelling to his groin area. Again, staff did not know how the injury occurred. Resident A's medical record from MI Lake Huron Medical Center dated 04/15/2022 indicates that Resident A has had two seemingly traumatic injuries in the past week and the police were called. Resident A has limited verbal ability, however, indicated during interviews with hospital and law enforcement that he was kicked by Resident B. Resident B denies causing any injury.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION ESTABLISHED

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.14310	Resident health care.
	(4) In case of an accident or sudden adverse change in a resident's physical condition or adjustment, a group home shall obtain needed care immediately.
ANALYSIS:	The home obtained needed medical care for Resident A. Resident A was found to have bruising behind both ears on 04/07/2022. Resident A was taken to McLaren Hospital to be evaluated and hospital discharge papers were provided. On 04/15/2022, Staff Brenda Smith and April Samson, observed injury to Resident A's groin area. Resident A was again taken to McLaren Hospital for treatment.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION NOT ESTABLISHED

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Contingent upon receipt of an acceptable corrective action plan, I recommend modification of the license to provisional.

Kristine Cilluffo

06/22/2022

Kristine Cilluffo
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:

Denise Y. Nunn

06/22/2022

Denise Y. Nunn
Area Manager

Date