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DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS  
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ACTING DIRECTOR

January 29, 2024

Michelle Christiansen  
Christiansen Tender Loving Care LLC  
13780 County Road 428  
Newberry, MI 49868

RE: Application #: AM480417900  
Christiansen's Tender Loving Care  
13780 County Road 428  
Newberry, MI 49868

Dear Michelle Christiansen:

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 11 is issued.

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) 643-7960.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Garrett Peters".

Garrett Peters, Licensing Consultant  
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enclosure

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

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

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| <b>License #:</b>                       | AM480417900                                 |
| <b>Licensee Name:</b>                   | Christiansen Tender Loving Care LLC         |
| <b>Licensee Address:</b>                | 13780 County Road 428<br>Newberry, MI 49868 |
| <b>Licensee Telephone #:</b>            | (906) 322-1967                              |
| <b>Licensee Designee/Administrator:</b> | Michelle Christiansen                       |
| <b>Name of Facility:</b>                | Christiansen's Tender Loving Care           |
| <b>Facility Address:</b>                | 13780 County Road 428<br>Newberry, MI 49868 |
| <b>Facility Telephone #:</b>            | (906) 293-7045                              |
| <b>Application Date:</b>                | 09/27/2023                                  |
| <b>Capacity:</b>                        | 11  |
| <b>Program Type:</b>                    | PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED<br>AGED              |

## II. METHODOLOGY

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| 08/24/2023 | Inspection Completed- Fire Safety A  |
| 09/27/2023 | On-Line Enrollment   |
| 09/28/2023 | Inspection Report Requested - Health<br>1033951  |
| 09/29/2023 | PSOR on Address Completed  |
| 10/04/2023 | File Transferred to Field Office<br>Flint via SharePoint   |
| 10/06/2023 | Application Incomplete Letter Sent   |
| 10/30/2023 | Inspection Completed On-site   |
| 10/30/2023 | Inspection Completed -Env. Health: A   |
| 12/04/2023 | Application Complete/On-site Needed  |
| 12/04/2023 | Inspection Completed On-site   |
| 12/21/2023 | Inspection Report Requested - Health   |
| 01/08/2024 | Inspection Completed -Env. Health: A   |
| 01/17/2024 | Inspection Completed-BCAL Full Compliance  |
| 01/23/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Received zoning clarification from zoning administrator for Luce<br>County. |
| 01/24/2024 | Inspection Completed On-site<br>Inspection of wheelchair ramps   |
| 01/26/2024 | Recommend License Issuance   |

### **III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS**

#### **A. Physical Description of Facility**

This home was recently purchased by Nick and Michelle Christiansen from Edward and Robin Ketola, the previous owners, who operated the home as an adult foster care medium group home. The home is an adult foster care medium group home licensed for eleven residents, between the ages of 25 and 90. The home accepts both males and females. The home is in Upper Michigan (Luce County) and is located in Newberry. I was told by Mark Rivard, the Luce County codes administrator, that this property use has been in place for many decades. A confirmation of this is in the file.

The facility is a one story, ranch-style, brick home with a full basement. Residents are prevented from entering the basement with two locked doors. The home is located less than one mile from the local hospital and is also located close to shopping areas and recreational opportunities. Newberry also has emergency services available in its community. The facility has private well water, recently tested as satisfactory, and a public sewer system. The facility contains nine bedrooms, all on the same floor, giving most residents a private bedroom. The home has three toilets and two showers for its residents, all on the first floor, and is wheelchair accessible, having two separate ramps at two of the three means of egress.

The nine resident bedrooms measure of follows:

Bedroom 1: 9'6" x 12'2" or 117 square feet – single occupancy  
Bedroom 2: 11'3" x 9'2" or 104 square feet – single occupancy  
Bedroom 3: 9'2" x 11' or 101 square feet – single occupancy  
Bedroom 4: 9'1" x 12'7" or 116 square feet – single occupancy  
Bedroom 5 and 6: 12' x 16' or 192 square feet – double occupancy  
Bedroom 7 and 8: 12' x 16'2" or 194 square feet – double occupancy  
Bedroom 9: 9'1" x 12'7" or 116 square feet - single occupancy  
Bedroom 10: 10'10" x 12'9" or 130 square feet - single occupancy  
Bedroom 11: 11'7" x 8'11" or 95 square feet - single occupancy

The living/dining room is a large open area measuring 22' x 18' + 5' x 11' or 451 square feet.

The home's heat producing equipment is located in the basement and is fully enclosed. The home had a satisfactory rating from the Bureau of Fire Services on 8/24/2023.

#### **B. Program Description**

The facility provides 24-hour supervision, protection, and personal care for up to 11 male or female residents who are Physically Handicapped and Aged. There will always be at least 1 staff person on duty. The licensee understands that staffing may need to be increased based on the needs of the current residents. The program will emphasize

and encourage involvement in meaningful, purposeful activities of life at any care level and/or needs of the residents. The program will also promote dignity for all residents and focus on the importance of maintaining as much independence as possible, while offering quality care that is personalized for each individual's needs. The residents have access to the community and are encouraged as much independence as they are capable.

### **C. Applicant and Administrator Qualifications**

The Licensee Designee and Administrator is Michelle Christiansen. A licensing record clearance was completed with no LEIN convictions for the licensee designee. The submitted medical clearance request documents which include current negative TB results and that there is no physical or mental health conditions existing that would limit their ability to work with or around vulnerable adults. Michelle Christiansen provided verification she obtains the experience and education to meet the requirements of licensee designee and administrator for this home.

The applicant has provided their program statement, admission and discharge policies and their house rules. The applicant has also provided training information that they will be using to train staff.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the requirements to maintain this category license type. They also acknowledge an understanding of the required documentation to be completed and signed for each resident prior to admission and for each employee prior to starting work in the facility. The applicant has provided documentation to satisfy the qualifications and training requirements identified in the small group home administrative rules.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the responsibility to assess the good moral character of employees and contractors who have regular, ongoing, "direct access" to residents, the resident information or both.

The applicant 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, the applicant has indicated that resident medication will be stored in a locked cabinet and that daily medication logs will be maintained.

The applicant acknowledges 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, the applicants acknowledge their responsibility to maintain a current employee record on file in the home for the licensee, administrator and direct care staff or volunteers and the retention schedule for all of the documents contained within the employee's file.

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

The applicant acknowledges their 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, the applicant acknowledges their 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. The applicant acknowledges their 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 related to the physical plant at the time of licensure. Compliance with administrative rules related to quality of care will be assessed during the temporary license period.

**IV. RECOMMENDATION**

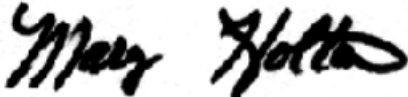
I recommend issuance of a temporary license to this AFC adult medium group home with a capacity of 11 residents.



Garrett Peters  
Licensing Consultant

1/26/2024  
Date

Approved



Mary E. Holton  
Area Manager

1/29/2024  
Date