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MARLON I. BROWN, DPA
ACTING DIRECTOR

February 21, 2024

Maryann Lavender
Good Samaritan Specialized Care, LLC
5633 Embassy Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49009

RE: License #: AS390400275
Veteran's H.O.P.E.
1521 Northampton
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

Dear Maryann Lavender:

Attached is the Addendum to the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility.

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) 284-9730.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ondrea Johnson".

Ondrea Johnson, Licensing Consultant
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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
ADDENDUM TO ORIGINAL LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

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| License #: | AS390400275 |
| Licensee Name: | Good Samaritan Specialized Care, LLC |
| Licensee Address: | 5633 Embassy Street Kalamazoo, MI 49009 |
| Licensee Telephone #: | (269) 341-3195 |
| Licensee Designee: | Maryann Lavender |
| Administrator: | Maryann Lavender |
| Name of Facility: | Veteran's H.O.P.E. |
| Facility Address: | 1521 Northampton Kalamazoo, MI 49006 |
| Facility Telephone #: | (269) 341-3195 |
| Capacity: | 6 |
| Program Type: | MENTALLY ILL |

II. Purpose of Addendum

The facility is currently licensed to provide 24-hour supervision, protection, and personal care to residents with a mental health diagnosis and holds a certification of specialized programs for the mentally ill population. Licensee designee and administrator Maryann Lavender has requested the facility also provide adult foster care services to the developmentally disabled and traumatically brain injured populations.

Maryann Lavender submitted an updated Program Statement and Admission Policy that includes the program goals and services to be provided to the mentally ill, developmentally disabled and traumatically brain injured populations. The facility's program will include social interaction, training to develop personal hygiene, personal adjustment, public safety, independent living skills, an opportunity for involvement in educational, and/or day programs and employment, as well as transportation. The facility has a current contractual relationship with Integrated Services of Kalamazoo (ISK) as well as with other community mental health agencies. Referrals to the facility will be made by the potential residents' primary clinicians and through the residents' connected community mental health service agencies.

If needed, by residents, behavior interventions and specialized interventions will be identified in the resident's assessment plans. These interventions shall be implemented only by staff trained in the intervention techniques.

In addition to the above program elements, it is the intent of the facility to utilize local community resources for recreational activities including the public schools and library, local museums, shopping centers, churches etc. These resources provide an environment to enhance residents' quality of life and increase their independence.

Maryann Lavender meets the qualifications and training requirements identified in the group home administrative rules and has over two years of experience working with mentally ill, developmentally disabled and traumatically brain injured populations. Direct care staff are currently trained to provide services to all three populations. Training verification is maintained in the employee's records.

III. Methodology

On 2/1/2024 Maryann Lavender requested the facility provide 24-hour supervision, protection, and personal care to residents who are developmentally disabled and traumatically brain injured in addition to residents who have been diagnosed with mental illness. Along with this request, Maryann Lavender submitted a revised Program Statement and Admission Policy as well as verification she meets the qualifications and training requirements identified in the group home administrative rules.

On 2/2/2024, Maryann Lavender submitted to the department an application of specialized programs for both the mentally ill and developmentally disabled populations.

IV. Description of Findings and Conclusions

Compliance with the licensing act and administrative rules related to Program Type have been determined.

V. Recommendation

I recommend the developmentally disabled and traumatically brain injured population be added to the facility's program type.



Ondrea Johnson
Licensing Consultant

2/2/2024

Date

Approved:



Dawn Timm
Area Manager

02/21/2024

Date