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June 27, 2025

Keristin Baker
Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo
11755 E Bluewater Hwy
Pewamo, MI 48873

RE: Application #: AM340419029
Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo
11755 E. Bluewater Hwy
Pewamo, MI 48873

Dear Ms. Baker:

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 12 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) 335-5985.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amanda Blasius".

Amanda Blasius, Licensing Consultant
Bureau of Community and Health Systems
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enclosure

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

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AM340419029
Applicant Name:	Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo
Applicant Address:	11755 E Bluewater Hwy Pewamo, MI 48873
Applicant Telephone #:	(616) 894-5745
Licensee Designee:	Keristin Baker
Administrator:	Courtney Schafer
Name of Facility:	Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo
Facility Address:	11755 E. Bluewater Hwy Pewamo, MI 48873
Facility Telephone #:	(517) 719-7339
Application Date:	12/06/2024
Capacity:	12
Program Type:	PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AGED ALZHEIMERS

II. METHODOLOGY

04/10/2024	Inspection Completed-Fire Safety : A refer to AM340405168
12/06/2024	Enrollment
12/06/2024	Application Incomplete Letter Sent requested 1326/RI030, AFC100 and EIN
12/06/2024	PSOR on Address Completed
12/06/2024	Contact - Document Sent- forms sent
12/17/2024	Contact - Document Received- 1326/RI030
02/27/2025	Contact - Document Sent- sent email requesting FP receipt
03/06/2025	Contact - Document Received
03/06/2025	Contact - Document Sent- sent AFC100 for Courtney
03/10/2025	File Transferred To Field Office
03/10/2025	Application Incomplete Letter Sent
06/13/2025	Application Complete/On-site Needed
06/18/2025	Inspection Completed On-site
06/18/2025	Inspection Completed: BCAL Full Compliance

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

The property known as Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo is located at 11755 E Bluewater Hwy, Pewamo, MI 48873. The home is situated on M-21 in the village of Pewamo; ten miles east of Ionia, MI. Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo is a large ten-bedroom ranch home sitting on three acres in a peaceful country setting. The facility has ample parking for staff and visitors. Ionia is the nearest town which includes a movie theatre, shopping, bowling alley, library, hospital, and restaurants.

The single-story home is unique as it was a former bank remodeled to the current adult foster care facility. The home is vinyl sided and has a parking lot in front of the main entrance. The main entrance and emergency exit on the east side of the building are both at grade level making the facility wheelchair accessible. The home contains a living room, dining room, kitchen, and eight private bedrooms, two semi-private bedrooms, two full resident bathrooms, three half bathrooms, utility room, medication room and staff office. The home does not have a basement. The home utilizes public well and

sewage systems. The main entrance opens to an open floor plan including the living, kitchen, and dining rooms. There are two main hallways on each side of this open space and one additional hallway off the back of the living room. The east hallway includes the medication room, laundry, two resident bedrooms, and a full resident bathroom. The emergency exit is also at the end of this hallway. The west hallway includes four resident bedrooms and a full resident bathroom at the end of the hall. The south hallway includes, four private bedrooms, three half bathrooms and an exit that leads to a back deck. The home is equipped with two grade level means of egress from the front and side entrance, so non-ambulatory residents that require the use of a wheelchair would be able to exit and enter the facility.

The natural gas furnace and water heater at Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo are in an enclosed utility room at the end of the hallway. An additional furnace and water heater for the south end of the building is in an enclosed utility room off from the living room. The furnace rooms are separated by an appropriately rated fire door with an automatic self-closer and non-locking against egress door hardware. Permanent outside vents which cannot be closed is incorporated into the design of the heating plant room so that adequate air for proper exhaust is assured.

The facility is equipped with an interconnected, hardwired smoke detection system with battery back-up which was installed by a licensed electrician from Dependable Fire Protection, Inc. on June 10, 2021. The smoke detection system is fully operational, and the home is fully sprinkled. A yearly smoke detection inspection occurred on 5/07/2025 from Boynton Fire Services. The facility has been determined by the Bureau of Fire Services to be in compliance with the applicable fire safety administrative rules on April 17th, 2025.

Resident bedrooms were measured during the on-site inspection and have the following dimensions:

Bedroom #	Room Dimensions	Total Square Footage	Total Resident Beds
1	12'3" X 9'3"	113.31	1
2	12'4" x 11'5"	140.81	1
3	10'6" X 15'9"	165.38	1
4	15'11" X 15'11"	253.34	2
5	16'11" X 11'6"	194.54	2
6	15'1" X 9'7"	144.55	1
7	12' X 8'	102	1
8	12' X 8'	102	1
9	12' X 8'	102	1
10	12' X 8'	102	1

The indoor living and dining areas measure a total of 1,048 square feet of living space. This exceeds the minimum of 35 square feet per occupant requirement.

Based on the above information, this facility can accommodate eight (12) residents. It is

the licensee's responsibility not to exceed the facility's licensed capacity.

B. Program Description

Admission and discharge policies, program statement, refund policy, personnel policies, and standard procedures for the facility were reviewed and accepted as written. The applicant intends to provide 24-hour supervision, protection and personal care to twelve (12) male or female ambulatory or non-ambulatory adults whose diagnosis is aged, physically handicapped and/or Alzheimer's disease in the least restrictive environment possible. The program will include social interaction skills, personal hygiene, personal adjustment skills, and public safety skills. A personal behavior support plan will be designed and implemented for each resident's social and behavioral developmental needs. The applicant intends to accept residents from private pay individuals as a referral source.

If required, behavioral intervention and crisis intervention programs will be developed as identified in the assessment plan. These programs shall be implemented only by trained staff, and only with the prior approval of the resident, guardian, and the responsible agency.

The licensee will not provide transportation needs. The facility will make provision for a variety of leisure and recreational equipment. It is the intent of this facility to utilize local community resources including public schools and libraries, local museums, shopping centers, and local parks.

C. Applicant and Administrator Qualifications

The applicant is Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo, L.L.C., which is a "Domestic Limited Liability Company", was established in Michigan, on 10/17/2024. The applicant submitted a financial statement and established an annual budget projecting expenses and income to demonstrate the financial capability to operate this adult foster care facility.

The members of Country Living Senior Care of Pewamo, L.L.C. have submitted documentation appointing Keristin Baker as Licensee Designee for this facility and Courtney Shafer as the Administrator of the facility.

A licensing record clearance request was completed with no LEIN convictions recorded for the licensee designee and the administrator. The licensee designee and administrator submitted a medical clearance request with statements from a physician documenting their good health and current TB-tine negative results.

The licensee designee and administrator have provided documentation to satisfy the qualifications and training requirements identified in the administrative group home rules. The licensee designee, Keristin Baker received her registered nursing degree from Montcalm Community College in 2019. Administrator, Courtney Shafer received

her registered nursing degree from Montcalm Community College in 2019 and has her Bachelor of Science degree from Davenport University. Both Ms. Baker and Ms. Shafer co-own County Living Senior Care adult foster home since 2022. Ms. Baker is the licensee designee for County Living Senior Care and Courtney Shafer is the administrator. Both have multiple years of experience providing care to individuals who are aged, diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or are physically handicapped.

The staffing pattern for the original license of this 12 bed facility is adequate and includes a minimum of 2 staff –to- 12 residents per shift. The applicant acknowledges that the staff –to- resident ratio will change to reflect any increase in the level of supervision, protection, or personal care required by the residents. The applicant has indicated that direct care staff will be awake during sleeping hours.

The applicant acknowledged that at no time will this facility rely on “roaming” staff or other staff that are on duty and working at another facility to be considered part of this facility's staff –to- resident ratio or expected to assist in providing supervision, protection, or personal care to the resident population.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the qualifications, suitability, and training requirements for direct care staff prior to each person working in the facility in that capacity or being considered as part of the staff –to- resident ratio. The applicant 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) and the related documents required to be maintained in each employee's record to demonstrate compliance.

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 designee, 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 on each resident receiving medication.

The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to obtain all required good moral character, medical, and training documentation and signatures that are to be completed prior to each direct care staff or volunteer working directly with residents. In addition, the applicant acknowledges their responsibility to maintain all required documentation in each employee's record for each licensee or licensee designee, administrator, and direct care staff or volunteer and follow the retention schedule for those documents contained within each employee's record.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the admission criteria and procedural requirements for accepting a resident into the home

for adult foster care. The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to obtain the required written assessment plan, resident care agreement, and health care appraisal 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 updating and completing those forms and obtaining new signatures for each resident on an annual basis. The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to maintain a current resident record on file in the home for each resident and follow the retention schedule for all of the documents that are required to be maintained within each resident's file.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the handling of resident funds and valuables and intends to comply. The applicant acknowledges that a separate Resident Funds Part II BCAL-2319 form will be created for each resident in order to document the date and amount of the adult foster care service fee paid each month and all of the resident's personal money transactions that have been agreed to be managed by the applicant.

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

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 immediate investigation of the cause. The applicant has indicated their intention to achieve and maintain compliance with the reporting and investigation of each incident and accident involving a resident, employee, and/or visitor.

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.

C. Rule/Statutory Violations

The applicant was in compliance with the licensing act and applicable administrative rules 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 six-month temporary license to this adult foster care medium group home with a maximum capacity of 12 residents.

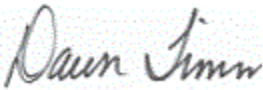


06/26/2025

Amanda Blasius
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



06/27/2025

Dawn N. Timm
Area Manager

Date