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RE: License #: AS630413018  
Investigation #: 2025A0605017  
Beacon Home At Southfield

Dear Ramon Beltran:

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 (248) 972-9136.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frodet Dawisha".

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enclosure

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

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

<b>License #:</b>	AS630413018
<b>Investigation #:</b>	2025A0605017
<b>Complaint Receipt Date:</b>	08/11/2025
<b>Investigation Initiation Date:</b>	08/12/2025
<b>Report Due Date:</b>	10/10/2025
<b>Licensee Name:</b>	Beacon Specialized Living Services, Inc.
<b>Licensee Address:</b>	Suite 110 890 N. 10th St. Kalamazoo, MI 49009
<b>Licensee Telephone #:</b>	(269) 427-8400
<b>Administrator/Licensee Designee:</b>	Ramon Beltran
<b>Name of Facility:</b>	Beacon Home At Southfield
<b>Facility Address:</b>	22150 Rougemont Dr. Southfield, MI 48033
<b>Facility Telephone #:</b>	(269) 427-8400
<b>Original Issuance Date:</b>	09/23/2022
<b>License Status:</b>	REGULAR
<b>Effective Date:</b>	03/23/2025
<b>Expiration Date:</b>	03/22/2027
<b>Capacity:</b>	6
<b>Program Type:</b>	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED MENTALLY ILL

**II. ALLEGATION(S)**

	<b>Violation Established?</b>
<b>Resident A was verbally threatened by staff, Catimara (Mara) Robinson who said she wanted to kill him. DCS Annalicia Pelca insulted Resident A.</b>	Yes
<b>Resident B eloped 72 times within the last year. The staff does not appear capable of handling this issue.</b>	Yes

**III. METHODOLOGY**

08/11/2025	Special Investigation Intake 2025A0605017
08/12/2025	Special Investigation Initiated - Letter Email to Oakland County Office of Recipient Rights (ORR)
08/12/2025	APS Referral I made an Adult Protective Services (APS) referral but will not be investigating allegations
08/14/2025	Inspection Completed On-site An unannounced on-site investigation was conducted with ORR Amber Oliver
08/20/2025	Contact - Telephone call made Discussed allegations with the home manager Janice Jones and Resident A's legal guardian
08/21/2025	Contact - Telephone call received Resident A called regarding the video recordings
08/25/2025	Contact - Document Received Email from the home manager
08/26/2025	Contact - Telephone call made Discussed allegations with DCS
09/02/2025	Contact - Telephone call made Follow-up with ORR Amber Oliver

09/08/2025	Contact - Document Sent Email to ORR Amber Oliver
09/08/2025	Contact - Document Received Email from ORR Amber Oliver
09/08/2025	Contact - Telephone call made Discussed allegations with Beacon Specialized Support Coordinator Peter Vanderlaan and left a message for the home manager Janice Jones
09/08/2025	Contact - Telephone call received Received call back from the home manager Janice Jones
09/08/2025	Exit Conference Conducted exit conference with licensee designee Ramon Beltran with my findings

**ALLEGATION:**

**Resident A was verbally threatened by direct care staff (DCS), Catimara (Mara) Robinson who said she wanted to kill him. DCS Annalicia Pelca insulted Resident A.**

**INVESTIGATION:**

On 08/11/2025 intake #206822 was referred by Adult Protective Services (APS) regarding DCS Catimara Robinson and Annalicia Pelca threatened and insulted Resident A.

On 08/12/2025, I emailed Oakland County Office of Recipient Rights (ORR) worker Amber Oliver who is investigating these allegations. Ms. Oliver agreed to a joint investigation at the home on 08/14/2025.

On 08/14/2025, I conducted an unannounced on-site investigation along with ORR worker Amber Oliver. DCS Catimara (Mara), Robinson, DCS Annalicia (Anna) Pelca and Residents A, B, C, and D were present. Residents E and F were in the hospital. I interviewed Resident A outside on the porch. Resident A's legal guardian is his mother. He has been living at this home since November 2024. On 08/05/2025, he woke up that morning excited about attending his medication review, but when he arrived at his appointment, he was drug tested and positive for alcohol. Resident A stated, "I was shocked to hear that because I never drank alcohol." When he returned home, he heard Anna say, "I'm not about to hear that all day," referring to him being upset he tested positive for alcohol. Resident A replied to Anna, "that's ok, you don't have to hear what I have to say because I'm not saying it to you." Both he and Anna began exchanging

words and then Mara called him “ugly,” and Anna called him a “pedophile.” Resident A began recording them on his cellphone. Both Mara and Anna were outside on the porch talking about him. He went outside around the gate and recorded them. Mara in conversation said, “I wanna kill him.” Resident A told Mara and Anna that he recorded them and had them listen to the recording. Mara then said, “It’s ok. You’re going to the hospital,” and then about 15 minutes later the police showed up. He believed Anna had called the police and told the police Resident A threw something at them, but he denied it. The side door to the home was open and Mara screamed at him to go outside and then slammed the door in his face. He stated, “I threw the energy drink I had in my hand into the trashcan, not at them.” When the police arrived, Resident C told the police, “I threw it at them,” but according to Resident A, Resident C was in the kitchen and did not see anything. Resident A’s mother was called to come to the group home because the police told Resident A that he could not stay in the group home today. His mother left work and arrived at the home and transported him to the emergency room at Ascension Providence Hospital. He stayed at the hospital overnight but then returned to the group home the next day. Resident A stated that before the police arrived at the home, Mara said to Resident A, “I’m going to pull up to your momma’s house,” which Resident A felt that meant to “hurt his mom.” After he returned home from the hospital, he stayed away from both Mara and Anna.

On 08/14/2025, I interviewed Resident B regarding the allegations. Resident B has a legal guardian. He was not present during the incident between Resident A and the staff Anna and Mara. Resident B stated, “I heard something about Anna arguing with Resident A about something.” He said, “they were arguing about Resident A throwing something. I wasn’t here when the police came so I don’t know anything.”

On 08/14/2025, I interviewed Resident C regarding the allegations. Resident C has a public guardian. He was present during the incident with Resident A who “got into trouble, because he hit one of the staff with a can.” He was standing by the side door while Mara was outside with Resident A. Mara and Resident A were arguing and when Mara came inside, Resident A threw the can at Mara, hitting her on the butt. He does not know what they were arguing about, but Resident A told Resident C, “someone is trying to kill him.” Resident A told Resident C, “Mara said she wanted to kill me.” Resident C stated that the police came, and Resident C talked to them. Resident C stated, “I told the police the same thing I told you.” There were no other residents around other than Resident A and Resident C. He has never heard Mara or Anna call Resident A ugly, nor has Resident C heard Mara or Anna saying, “I’m going to kill you,” to Resident A. Resident A told Resident C he had a video, but Resident C has not seen any video.

On 08/14/2025, I attempted to interview Resident D who was in bed and stated that he did not want to speak with me.

On 08/14/2025, I interviewed DCS Annalicia Pelka who goes by Anna regarding the allegations. Anna has been working for this corporation for about four years. She works the day shift from 8AM-8PM. There are two DCS during this shift. On 08/05/2025,

around 11AM, Resident A returned from his medication review at Easterseals. He tested positive on his drug screen for alcohol. Resident A was “yelling,” and “going off,” saying, “F this place, F y’all (referring to staff), and F the residents.” Resident A asked Anna, “Have you ever seen me intoxicated?” Anna replied, “you’re upset right now so let’s talk about this later.” Resident A then went into his bedroom so Anna told Mara to write an incident report regarding Resident A being verbally aggressive when he returned home. Resident A heard that and immediately came out of his bedroom with his cellphone in his hand. He then asked, “What did you say?” Resident A then, “knocked on everyone’s door and woke up Resident C.” Resident E’s case manager was present meeting with Resident E in his bedroom. Resident A walked into the room and asked the case manager, “do you hear me screaming?” That case manager did not want to get involved so advised Resident A that he was here for Resident E. Anna tried calling the home manager Janice Jones, but she did not answer. Anna then contacted Beacon Specialized Living case coordinator Peter Vanderlaan. While she was on the phone with Mr. Vanderlaan, she could see Mara and Resident C at the side door and then saw Resident A throw a can at Mara. Anna told Mr. Vanderlaan, “I just saw Resident A throw a can at Mara.” Mr. Vanderlaan asked to speak with Resident A which he did. Mr. Vanderlaan hung up. Resident A brought the phone back to Anna and then again Resident A became verbally aggressive. Resident A began talking about “Mara’s dark skin,” and then “blamed staff for his positive drug test.” She called Mr. Vanderlaan again advising him that Resident A was still verbally aggressive. Anna then called Resident A’s mother and talked to her outside. When she returned inside, Resident A was still heated. She called Mr. Vanderlaan again who then advised her to call 911, which she did. The police arrived and called Resident A’s mother to the group home. The mother arrived and Resident A was transported to the hospital. Anna denied calling Resident A ugly or a pedophile, denied hearing Mara call Resident A ugly, and denied making any verbal threats of killing him or harming his mother. There has not been another incident since this one.

On 08/14/2025, I interviewed DCS Catimara (Mara) regarding the allegations. Mara has been working at this corporation since 05/18/2025. She usually works the second shift from 8PM-8AM but has been picking up first shifts lately from 8AM-8PM. On 08/05/2025, she transported Resident A to his medication review at Easterseals. He failed his drug test and had a run in with another Beacon Specialized resident whom Resident A had a no contact order with. They returned to the group home and Resident A was argumentative and she nor Anna were able to redirect him. He began recording them and went to all the residents’ bedrooms and began knocking on the doors. Resident E had his case manager visiting and Resident A disrupted them. Anna advised Mara to write an incident report. Resident A heard this statement, came out of his bedroom with his cellphone and began recording. Mara asked Resident A to put down the phone and she did not give him permission to record her, but he continued recording. Anna called the home manager, but she did not answer so then Anna called Peter Vanderlaan. Resident A went outside and then Resident C went outside from the side door. She opened the side door and saw Resident A there. She told Resident A “I’m not arguing with you,” turned around to come inside and that is when Resident A threw the can at her and hit her on the butt. Mr. Vanderlaan had told Anna if Resident A

escalated to call 911, which after he threw the can, both she and Anna felt they had to call 911, which Anna did. The police arrived and talked to both Resident A and Resident C. Anna called the mother, who arrived shortly after at the group home. Resident A's mother came directly to Mara asking her, "Why did you say you were going to kill Resident A?" Mara denied saying anything about "killing." The mother told Mara, "I heard a female's voice on the recording saying that." Mara said that Resident A was calling her "derogatory words," and saying, "I wanna kill him," and stated she may have said, "you're acting ugly," but not that "you're ugly." Mara also denied making any verbal threats towards Resident A's mother. Resident A was transported to the hospital and then discharged back to this group home. There has not been another incident since then.

**Note:** During this visit I observed both Catimara Robinson and Annalicia Pelca sitting at the dining room table in the kitchen on their cellphones.

On 08/14/2025, Resident A emailed the video recordings of the incident on 08/05/2025. He emailed a total of six video recordings. I reviewed the video recordings, and it was difficult to narrow down when Mara allegedly made the verbal threat of say, "I'm going to kill him."

On 08/20/2025, I interviewed Resident A's mother via telephone regarding the allegations. Resident A has had numerous traumatic events occurred to him while in several different group homes. He was in a previous Beacon Specialized Living group home where Resident A was attacked by another resident and the mother had to file a personal protection order (PPO). Resident A and that resident were to have zero contact. Resident A told his mother that he saw the resident whom he had the PPO against at Easterseals during his medication review the morning of 08/05/2025. Resident A called his mother who can hear staff talking in the background. She is unsure what was said but one of the staff said something that made "Resident A feel uncomfortable." Resident A told his mother that DCS Mara called him "ugly," and said something to the effect of "I can just kill him, or I can just hurt him." Resident A told his mother that he had told Mara he had recorded her and that Resident A no longer felt safe at the group home. The mother left work at went to the group home. Anna told Resident A's mother she attempted to redirect Resident A several times by asking him to go to his bedroom, but each time he came back out. Anna also told the mother that Resident A "got in their faces recording them." The mother heard the recording and stated that she did hear one of the staff members saying something about Resident A, but she is unsure what was said. The police were contacted, and Resident A could not stay at the home, so he was transported to the hospital then later discharged back to the group home. The mother stated that every time Resident A tried to do something positive or call staff out on anything, staff will write him up for it. Resident A wanted to return to school so the mother took him to get him registered and meet with an advisor. He had an appointment but then this incident happened, and he did not go. Resident A's mother is concerned that Resident A is not getting the mental health services he needs. He was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) due to all the

bullying he endured at the group homes and is not in face-to-face therapy. The mother is not happy with the services Resident A is receiving at Easterseals.

On 08/21/2025, I received a telephone call from Resident A regarding the video recordings. Resident A stated that I needed to review video recording number six at the six-to-nine-minute marker. I listened to number six recording at 7:36 minute marker provided by Resident A and could here Anna and Mara speaking and one of the DCS unknown which one said, "you threw a fucking energy drink, like da fuck, I want to kill you personally, like that bitch really hit me though, like, yeah." I also heard both Anna and Mara make several derogatory statements about Resident A.

On 08/20/2025, I interviewed the home manager Janice Jones via telephone with ORR worker Amber Oliver. On 08/05/2025, Anna called Ms. Jones advising her that Resident A returned home from Easterseals was agitated because he had a positive drug screen and he ran into the resident whom he had a no contact order with. Ms. Jones advised to attempt to redirect Resident A. About 30 minutes later, Anna called back saying she tried talking to Resident A to redirect him, but he continued to blame Anna and Mara for his positive drug screen. Resident A is telling Anna and Mara, "you're setting me up." Ms. Jones advised Anna to call Resident A's mother to help "calm him down." Ms. Jones hung up and then hours later, Anna called back upset and stated that Resident A "threw a can at Mara." Ms. Jones asked if Anna separated Resident A from Mara and asked if she called Peter Vanderlaan for assistance. Anna continued to say that Resident A was irate and recorded them with his cellphone. Ms. Jones advised Anna to have her, and Mara sit on the porch and to call Mr. Vanderlaan. Anna called Ms. Jones, advising Ms. Jones that Mr. Vanderlaan told Anna to call the police, which they did. The police arrived at the group home and told staff to call Resident A's mother. Resident A's mother arrived at the home and stated she would take Resident A to the hospital. The next day, Resident A was to be discharged at the group home, but Ms. Jones advised that she wanted Resident A's medications to arrive before he could return. Resident A's mother brought the medications and Resident A to the home. Resident A then began having suicidal ideations so he is now back at the hospital. Ms. Jones never received a call from Mara and never heard staff threaten Resident A while she was on the phone with Anna. She never heard Anna or Mara call Resident A ugly or a pedophile or say that they were going to go to his mom's house. Ms. Jones advised Anna and Mara to "let him rant," and "if Resident A says anything towards you to ignore it." Ms. Jones advised staff to remove the other residents if Resident A's behavior would involve them. Resident A was enrolled in therapy, but he was kicked out due to his behavior. Ms. Jones has been trying to reach out to Resident A's case manager Sherry VanHulle at Easterseals but has been unsuccessful.

On 08/26/2025, I interviewed DCS Hajanai Cisero via telephone regarding the allegations. Ms. Cisero has only been working for this corporation since March 2023. She works the second shift from 8PM-8AM. there are two DCS during that shift except for Mondays or when they are short staffed. On 08/05/2025 she was not present during the incident but arrived at 7:30PM to complete the shift exchange with staff. Anna and Mara told Ms. Cisero what happened. Mara told her that Resident A "threw a can at

her,” and that Ms. Cisero should “keep her eye on Resident A.” Resident A was present and during her shift there was no incident. On 08/06/2025, Resident A refused breakfast and said, “I don’t want it from you. Anna and Mara told you to poison me.” Ms. Cisero asked him two more times and the third time he agreed and ate his breakfast. He did not show her the video, nor did he tell her what happened. Ms. Cisero has worked with both Anna and Mara, and she has never heard any of them talk negatively about Resident A or any other resident.

On 08/26/2025, I interviewed DCS regarding the allegations via telephone. This DCS wanted to remain anonymous. Anonymous DCS was not present during the incident on 08/05/2025 but arrived at 8PM and was informed by Anna what happened. Anna told her that Resident A was “acting out,” because Resident A and Anna were “going back and forth,” and Anna told anonymous DCS that Anna said, “that’s why you liked little boys,” which upset Resident A and the reason for this incident. The next morning, Resident A brought up Anna and Mara to her and told anonymous DCS that Mara called him a “pedophile,” and reiterated the incident to her that was informed to her by Anna. Anna told anonymous DCS that “Resident A said that we were going to kill him and had a recording, but he didn’t.” Anna told her that Resident A threw something at Mara and the police were called. Anonymous DCS has worked with Anna and has heard Anna say to Resident B in a playful way that “Anna would keep his allowance if he stole from other residents and staff.” Anonymous DCS has also worked with Mara who is new when Mara worked the second shift from 8PM-8AM. She has never heard Mara speak disrespectfully to Resident A or other residents, but stated that during their shift, Mara is usually on her cellphone.

On 09/02/2025, I followed up with ORR worker Amber Oliver. Ms. Oliver stated that she listened to the video recording and sent the recording to the Program Manager Brooke Landis who confirmed that the DCS that made the statement was Mara. Ms. Oliver will be substantiating her case on both DCS Anna and Mara.

On 09/08/2025, I interviewed Beacon Specialized Living support coordinator Peter Vanderlaan regarding the allegations. Mr. Vanderlaan was contacted by Anna several times on 08/05/2025 regarding Resident A. He could hear from Anna how stressful it was for both Anna and Mara to have to deal with Resident A’s behavior but understands that both staff could have handled things differently. He never heard either Anna or Mara make any verbal threats or say anything derogatory to Resident A.

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.14308</b>	<b>Resident behavior interventions prohibitions.</b>
	<b>(2) A licensee, direct care staff, the administrator, members of the household, volunteers who are under the direction of</b>

	<p><b>the licensee, employees, or any person who lives in the home shall not do any of the following:</b></p> <p><b>(f) Subject a resident to any of the following:</b></p> <p><b>(iii) Derogatory remarks about the resident or members of his or her family.</b></p> <p><b>(iv) Threats.</b></p>
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	<p>Based on my investigation and information gathered, DCS Annalicia (Anna) Pelca and DCS Catimara (Mara) Robinson made derogator statements about Resident A and Mara made a threatening statement to harm Resident A. On 08/05/2025, Resident A was agitated after his medication review at Easterseals due to his positive drug screen and interaction with a resident whom he had a no contact order with. Resident A began recording DCS Anna and Mara after they were calling him names, ugly and a pedophile. Anna and Mara both denied these allegations; however, Resident A shared the recordings he had regarding this incident. I along with ORR Amber Oliver heard Anna and Mara on the recordings making derogatory statements about Resident A and Mara making the statement “I want to kill you personally when Resident A threw the can on her.” Therefore, Resident A was subjected to these derogatory remarks and verbal threats by these DCS.</p>
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

**ALLEGATION:**

**Resident B eloped 72 times within the last year. The staff does not appear capable of handling this issue.**

**INVESTIGATION:**

On 08/14/2025, during this visit I received another complaint. This complaint was regarding Resident B eloping from the home. I interviewed Resident B regarding the allegations. Resident B confirmed that he has eloped numerous times from this home and continues to elope. The most recent was on 08/12/2025 when he “hopped over the fence.” He returned to this group home last night. He leaves during the second shift around 10PM when he tells staff he is going outside on the deck to smoke a cigarette. He stated that staff are usually sitting at the dining table on their cellphones. Resident B goes outside and then hops the fence. He leaves because he stated, “there’s someone after me. It’s a paranoia I have. I owe someone money and I have until 11/01/2025 to pay them or else they will come here to hurt me.” When he elopes, he walks to either Marathon or Mobile gas station where he panhandles. Resident B advised he was leaving through his window but not since the alarms were installed a couple of weeks ago. He now just hops the fence. He stated he will continue to elope.

On 08/14/2025, I interviewed DCS Anna and Mara regarding these allegations. Anna stated that Resident B elopes nightly even with two DCS on shift. According to Resident B's behavioral plan, when Resident B elopes, the home manager is contacted, then the clinical which is Peter Vanderlaan, and then the police. Resident B is a 30-minute bed check, but his roommate Resident D is a 15-minute wellbeing check so Resident B gets eyes laid on him every 15 minutes. Resident B was jumping out of his bedroom window and Resident D was covering for him, but since the window alarms were installed a couple of weeks ago, Resident B has been jumping the fence. A roller was put on the fence to help prevent Resident B from jumping over it, but it does not work as Resident B continues to elope. The police are tired of being called regarding Resident B eloping. Mara stated that Resident B has eloped during her shift, and it happens when Resident B goes outside to smoke a cigarette. Both advised that Resident B would jump the fence even if DCS are standing outside with him. One time Anna was on the phone with Mr. Vanderlaan advising him that Resident B was trying to jump the fence, and Anna attempted to redirect him, but he went over the fence anyway. Both Mara and Anna feel that Resident B requires more supervision than what this home can offer.

On 08/20/2025, I interviewed the home manager Janice Jones regarding the allegations. Resident B elopes nightly. There are two DCS during the night shift but due to short staffing, there could be only one. However, there is no resident that requires a one-to-one at this home. Resident B had a roommate that was giving Resident B cigarettes, so he did not elope as much; however, the roommate moved out on 07/29/2025 and since then Resident B elopes nightly. He was going out through his window, so his behavioral plan was updated on 01/22/2025 to add alarms to his windows. Beacon Specialized Living did not install the alarms until 08/14/2025. Since installing the window alarms, he has been eloping by jumping over the fence. Rollers were added to the top of the fence to prevent elopement, but somehow, Resident B manages to climb over them. The protocol is that when Resident B elopes, if there are two DCS working, one must follow him and attempt to redirect him back to the home, but if there is only one DCS then that staff must call the police. Ms. Jones stated that she has currently advised staff that Resident B must be at eyesight whenever he is outside, but then yesterday during a shift change at 8PM, Resident B jumped the fence. Resident B's paranoia of someone coming to get him may be one reason but the other is he wants cigarettes and unfortunately it is difficult for staff to keep him from eloping.

On 08/26/2025, I interviewed DCS Hajanai Cisero regarding the allegations. Last night Resident B eloped around 10PM. she was working with DCS Nicole Torez who was filling in for another staff. Resident A and Resident F were at the hospital so there were only four residents at the home. Resident B requested to go out on the deck to smoke, so they allowed him too. Both she and Ms. Torez were inside and when they went to check on him after about 10 minutes, he was gone. Ms. Cisero called the home manager Ms. Jones who advised her that one of them had to leave to go look for him, to then call the police if he is not found and to complete an incident report. She went to look for him but could not locate him, so she called the police. Last week, Ms. Jones advised all staff that when Resident B is outside, then he must be at eyesight always.

Ms. Torez told Ms. Cisero she was not aware that Resident B must be at eyesight, so he was outside alone. Ms. Cisero stated when she works alone, she cannot be outside with Resident B because of the other residents inside the home. She has expressed her concerns to Ms. Jones regarding Resident B, needing to be in a more secure placement since staff cannot physically hold him or keep him from eloping.

On 08/26/2025, I interviewed anonymous DCS regarding the allegations. Resident B told DCS that he owes someone \$150 and that someone will come and shoot him if he does not pay by 11/01/2025, so that is why he elopes from this home. Resident B asks anonymous DCS to take him to the gas station late at night, but anonymous DCS does not feel comfortable taking any resident out that late. Anonymous DCS advised Resident B to wait until the next morning and to ask the day shift staff to take him to the gas station to buy cigarettes. In Resident B's behavioral plan, it states that when Resident B elopes, and there is two DCS on shift, then one of those anonymous DCS must follow Resident B and attempt to redirect him back to the home. If unsuccessful then staff must call the police. However, if there is only one DCS working, then staff must call the home manager, then the police and complete the incident report. Last week, the home manager implemented a new policy regarding Resident B. Resident B must be at eyesight always when outside. She was working with anonymous DCS Hajanai Cisero who stood at the back door while Resident B was outside on the deck. Resident B then hopped the fence, so anonymous DCS went after him. She caught up with Resident B at the gas station, but he refused to return with her until he begged a person at the gas station for cigarettes. That person gave him cigarettes and then Resident B returned with anonymous DCS to the home. Anonymous DCS stated that no matter if the protective measures are in place for Resident B, if he wants to elope he will. Staff cannot physically hold him down to prevent him from leaving. Window alarms have been installed as were rollers on the fence, but still Resident B elopes. Anonymous DCS believes that Resident B requires a higher level of supervision than what this group home can provide.

On 09/08/2025, I followed up with the home manager Janice Jones. Ms. Jones stated that it seems the concerns of Resident B eloping are occurring only during the night when DCS Aeisha Dunn is working. Ms. Dunn has been submitting multiple incident reports regarding Resident B eloping; therefore, she believes that Ms. Dunn is not supervising Resident B. There is currently only one DCS working during the second shift and the staff are not keeping Resident B at eyesight always, so he has still been eloping. Due to the multiple elopements, Easterseals is looking for alternative placement for Resident B. Ms. Jones believes that Ms. Dunn is on her cellphone and not making sure Resident B is on the deck when he leaves to smoke his cigarettes during her shift.

On 09/08/2025, I received Resident B's behavioral plan from ORR worker Amber Oliver. The behavioral plan was updated on 01/22/2025 regarding Resident B's elopements. As a protective measure, it was stated that window alarms need to be added to Resident B's bedroom window to help prevent Resident B from eloping. However, according to the home manager, Janice Jones, the window alarms were not added until 08/14/2025;

therefore, Beacon Specialized Living did not follow the recommendations of the behavioral plan until about seven months later.

On 09/08/2025, I conducted the exit conference with licensee designee Ramon Beltran via telephone with my findings. Mr. Beltran stated that he will be looking at both DCS Anna's and Mara's employment and agreed to submit a corrective action plan. He had no questions.

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.14204</b>	<b>Direct care staff; qualifications and training.</b>
	<b>(2) Direct care staff shall possess all of the following qualifications: (a) Be suitable to meet the physical, emotional, intellectual, and social needs of each resident.</b>
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	Based on my investigation and information gathered, DCS working at this group home may not be suitable to meet the physical, emotional, intellectual, and social needs of Resident B and the other residents at this group home. On 08/14/2025, during my on-site investigation I observed DCS Annalicia Pelca and Catimara Robinson sitting at the dining table on their cellphones. Also, according to Resident B, when he elopes at night during the second shift from 8PM-8AM, DCS are sitting at the dining table on their cellphones. Therefore, DCS at this home do not possess the qualifications and/or training to provide care to these residents.
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.14303</b>	<b>Resident care; licensee responsibilities.</b>
	<b>(2) A licensee shall provide supervision, protection, and personal care as defined in the act and as specified in the resident's written assessment plan.</b>
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	Based on my investigation and information gathered, Resident B's behavioral plan updated on 01/22/2025 was not followed in a timely manner. Resident B is an elopement risk and has eloped over 72 times from this group home within the last year. As a safety measure, his behavioral plan was updated to include adding alarms to Resident B's bedroom windows to help prevent him from eloping. However, the bedroom window alarms were

	not added until 08/14/2025 about seven-months after his plan was updated.
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

**IV. RECOMMENDATION**

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

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09/09/2025

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