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DIRECTOR

January 20, 2026

Ryan Wickson  
Hope Shores, LLC  
10242 McKinley Rd  
Montrose, MI 48457

RE: License #: AS250395946  
Investigation #: 2026A0569007  
Hope Shores Maple

Dear Ryan Wickson:

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 party responsible 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 (517) 643-7960.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kent W. Gieselman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Kent W Gieselman, Licensing Consultant  
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enclosure

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

This Report Contains Quoted Profanity and Sexually Explicit Statements

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

<b>License #:</b>	AS250395946
<b>Investigation #:</b>	2026A0569007
<b>Complaint Receipt Date:</b>	11/24/2025
<b>Investigation Initiation Date:</b>	11/24/2025
<b>Report Due Date:</b>	01/23/2026
<b>Licensee Name:</b>	Hope Shores, LLC
<b>Licensee Address:</b>	10242 McKinley Rd Montrose, MI 48457
<b>Licensee Telephone #:</b>	(810) 429-0919
<b>Administrator:</b>	Ryan Wickson
<b>Licensee Designee:</b>	Ryan Wickson
<b>Name of Facility:</b>	Hope Shores Maple
<b>Facility Address:</b>	1383 E. Maple Ave Burton, MI 48529
<b>Facility Telephone #:</b>	(810) 964-0412
<b>Original Issuance Date:</b>	03/20/2019
<b>License Status:</b>	REGULAR
<b>Effective Date:</b>	03/20/2024
<b>Expiration Date:</b>	03/19/2026
<b>Capacity:</b>	6
<b>Program Type:</b>	PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED MENTALLY ILL TRAUMATICALLY BRAIN INJURED

## II. ALLEGATION(S)

	<b>Violation Established?</b>
<b>Jaden Murphy, staff person, had sexual contact with Resident A.</b>	Yes

## III. METHODOLOGY

11/24/2025	Special Investigation Intake 2026A0569007
11/24/2025	APS Referral Referral from APS.
11/24/2025	Special Investigation Initiated - Letter Email to ORR.
11/24/2025	Contact- Telephone call received Call received from Ryan Wickson, licensee designee.
01/13/2026	Contact - Telephone call made Attempted contact with Jaden Murphy. Left voicemail.
01/15/2026	Inspection Completed On-site
01/15/2026	Contact - Document Sent Email to Amanda Doyle, Burton City Attorney.
01/15/2026	Contact - Telephone call made Attempted contact with Jaden Murphy, staff person.
01/15/2026	Inspection completed- Sub. compliance
01/15/2026	Exit conference Exit conference with Ryan Wickson, licensee designee.
01/15/2026	Corrective action plan requested and due on 01/31/2026.

## **ALLEGATION:**

**Jaden Murphy, staff person, had sexual contact with Resident A.**

## **INVESTIGATION:**

This complaint was received from the adult protective services central intake department. The complainant reported that on 11/24/2025, Jaden Murphy, staff person, masturbated in Resident A's bedroom in Resident A's presence. The complainant reported that Staff Murphy then rubbed Resident A's penis. The complainant reported that Resident B was also present in the room when this incident occurred.

Ryan Wickson, licensee designee, stated on 11/24/2025 that Resident A had reported to Tori Choat, facility manager, that Staff Murphy had come into Resident A's bedroom and masturbated in Resident A's presence, then put on a glove, and masturbated Resident A as well. Ryan Wickson stated that Staff Murphy was terminated immediately and a report was filed with the Burton City Police and Adult Protective Services as well as the Office of Recipient rights. Ryan Wickson stated that Staff Murphy has worked at this facility since 2023, and there were no previous incidents of Staff Murphy acting inappropriately with Residents.

A search of the Michigan Sex offender site was conducted on 11/26/2025. There was no record for Jaden Murphy found. A search of the Michigan Workforce Background Check System was conducted on 11/26/2025. Jaden Murphy completed fingerprints and a background check resulting in an employment eligibility letter issued on 09/06/2023.

An unannounced inspection of this facility was conducted on 01/15/2026. Resident A was alert and oriented to person, place, and time. Resident A was appropriately dressed and groomed with no visible injuries. Resident A stated that he did not recall the exact date of this incident, but that the incident occurred in his bedroom. Resident A stated that Staff Murphy was in Resident A's bedroom and "pulled his pants down". Resident A stated that Staff Murphy asked Resident A, "do you want to suck my dick?" Resident A stated that Staff Murphy then started "jacking off (stimulating his own penis with his hand). Resident A stated that Staff Murphy then started rubbing Resident A's penis with lotion. Resident A stated that he did not want Staff Murphy to touch his penis. Resident A stated that Staff Murphy then ejaculated onto the floor of the bedroom. Resident A stated that Resident B was also in the room and Resident A looked at Resident B and said, "what the fuck?" Resident A stated that after Staff Murphy ejaculated, he then left the bedroom. Resident A stated that there were no previous incidents of Staff Murphy acting sexually inappropriate with him or other residents. Resident A stated that he reported this incident to Staff Choat and Staff Choat then called the police. Resident A stated that a police officer then came to the facility and spoke to Resident A and Resident B. Resident A stated that Staff Murphy has not been back to the facility since he reported this incident. Resident A stated that he feels safe with the staff currently working in this facility.

Resident A's file was reviewed. Resident A is his own guardian. The file contains an incident report (IR) dated 11/20/2025. The IR documents that Resident A reported to Staff Choat that Staff Murphy masturbated in Resident A's bedroom in Resident A and Resident B's presence, then put lotion on a glove and rubbed Resident A's penis. The IR documents that the corrective measures were Staff Murphy's termination and that reports were made to law enforcement, adult protective services, and recipient rights. Resident A's assessment documents that Resident A does not control sexual behaviors and that "target behaviors include excessive masturbation". Resident A's assessment documents that Resident A does not require staff assistance with daily living tasks and does not have any deficiencies with communicating or being alert to surroundings.

Resident B was alert and oriented to person, place, and time. Resident B was appropriately dressed and groomed with no visible injuries. Resident B stated that he recalls this incident but not the exact date. Resident B stated that he was in Resident A's bedroom when Staff Murphy entered the room. Resident B stated that Staff Murphy pulled his pants down and started masturbating in Resident A and Resident B's presence. Resident B stated that Staff Murphy then asked Resident A if Resident A "wanted to jack off or get fucked in the ass". Resident B stated that Staff Murphy then put on a glove and used lotion to "jack off" Resident A. Resident B stated that Staff Murphy then "nutted (ejaculated) then they all left the bedroom. Resident B stated that Staff Murphy did not touch Resident B. Resident B stated that he did not observe any prior incidents of Staff Murphy being sexually inappropriate with him or other residents. Resident B stated that Staff Murphy no longer works at this facility and that Resident B feels safe with the current staff at this facility. Resident B stated that a police officer and APS worker came to the facility and talked to Resident A and Resident B.

Resident B's file was reviewed. Resident B's file contains the same IR contained in Resident A's file. Resident B's assessment documents that Resident B does not require staff assistance with daily living tasks and is alert to surroundings with no communication deficits. Resident B's assessment documents that he does control sexual behaviors.

Tori Choat, facility manager, stated on 01/15/2026 that Resident A wanted to speak with her on 11/20/2026 and reported that Staff Murphy had come into his bedroom, masturbated, and then put lotion on a glove and rubbed Resident A's penis. Staff Choat stated that Staff Murphy was immediately suspended and was not allowed to return to this facility. Staff Choat stated that a report was made with the Burton City Police, APS, and recipient rights. Staff Choat stated that there have been no other known incidents of Staff Murphy having sexual contact with residents or acting sexually inappropriate with the residents. Staff Choat stated that she and Haley Saylor, manager, did question Staff Murphy regarding this allegation. Staff Choat stated that Staff Murphy did not deny that he had inappropriate sexual contact with Resident A and "talked around" the questions.

Attempted contacts with Staff Murphy have been made. Staff Murphy has not responded to the attempts.

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.641</b>	<b>Resident behavior interventions.</b>
	<b>(5) Staff, volunteers, visitors, or other occupants of the facility shall not mistreat a resident. Mistreatment includes any intentional action or omission that exposes a resident to a serious risk, physical or emotional harm, or the deliberate infliction of pain by any means.</b>
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	The complainant reported that Resident A stated that Staff Murphy masturbated in Resident A and Resident B's presence, then had sexually inappropriate contact with Resident A. Resident A confirmed that this incident occurred in his bedroom, and his statement on 01/15/2026 was consistent with his original statement in November 2025. Resident B's statement on 01/15/2026 was also consistent with Resident A's statement regarding this incident. Staff Choat stated that Resident A reported the same information to her and she reported the information to law enforcement, APS, and recipient rights. Staff Choat and Ryan Wickson stated that Staff Murphy was immediately terminated from employment and there were no previous incidents of Staff Murphy being sexually inappropriate with any residents. Based on the statements given and documentation reviewed, it is determined that Resident A and Resident B have given credible statements and there has been a violation of this rule.
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

An exit conference was conducted with Ryan Wickson, licensee designee, on 01/15/2026. The findings in this report were reviewed, and a corrective action plan was requested.

**IV. RECOMMENDATION**

I recommend that the status of this license remains unchanged with the receipt of an acceptable corrective action plan.



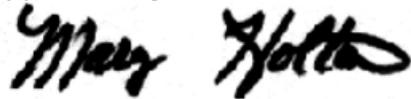
01/20/2026

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Kent W Gieselman  
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



01/20/2026

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Mary E. Holton  
Area Manager

Date