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May 28, 2004

Rosemary Pierson
Northern Lakes Community Mental Health
527 Cobbs St.
Cadillac, MI 49601

RE: Application #: AS830263282
Seneca Place Home
440 Seneca Place
Cadillac, MI 49601

Dear Ms. Pierson:

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility. You have submitted an acceptable written corrective action plan covering the violation cited in the report. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules. Therefore, a temporary license with a maximum capacity of 6 is issued.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and feel free to contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please feel free to contact the local office at (989) 839-1144.

Sincerely,

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enclosure

**MICHIGAN FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY
OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND ADULT LICENSING
LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #: AS830263282

Applicant Name: Northern Lakes Community Mental Health

Applicant Address: Suite A
105 Hall Street
Traverse City, MI 49684

Applicant Telephone #: (989) 348-0014

Administrator/Licensee Designee: Barbara Vatter, Administrator
Rosemary Pierson, Designated Licensee

Name of Facility: Seneca Place Home

Facility Address: 440 Seneca Place
Cadillac, MI 49601

Facility Telephone #: (231) 775-8821

Application Date: 12/01/2003

Capacity: 6

Program Type: DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

II. METHODOLOGY

12/01/2003	Enrollment
02/04/2004	Inspection Completed - On-site Substantial Compliance
05/28/2004	Inspection Completed - On-site Full Compliance

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

The property at 440 Seneca Place, Cadillac, Michigan 49601 is owned MME, Inc. and leased to the State Of Michigan Department Of Community Health. Northern Lakes Community Mental Health is an established provider of adult foster care services in the northern Michigan. North Central Community Mental Health completed a merger with Great Lakes Community Mental Health on October 1, 2003, and became Northern Lakes Community Mental Health. Seneca Place was licensed to North Central Community Mental Health prior to the merger.

The premises located at 440 Seneca Place, Cadillac, Michigan 49601 is located on a paved street in a relatively new subdivision on the west side of town. This is a modern single story ranch style home built on a cement slab. The capacity of the home will enable six residents to utilize two private and two semi-private bedrooms. The home has an attached garage.

Seneca Place features vinyl and brick siding. Off-street parking is adequate. A natural gas furnace heats the physical plant. The interior of the home consists of a combination family and dining room, a living room, kitchen, utility room, furnace room, two bathrooms and four bedrooms. The washer and dryer are located in the utility room. There is ample storage space in the garage.

Private bedrooms number one and two each contain 178.69 square feet of space. Semi-private bedroom number 3 contains 171.44 square feet of space. Semi-private bedroom number 4 contains 167.86 square feet of space. The square feet of bedroom space per resident is more than adequate.

The combination family and dining room contains 544.04 square feet of space. The living room contains 192.45 square feet of space. Six residents will occupy this home and this equates to 122.75 square feet of common space per resident.

This licensing consultant determined Seneca Place to be in full compliance with the Maintenance of Premises Rules for Adult Foster Care Small Group Home Rules on May 28, 2004.

Seneca Place utilizes public sewage and water systems. This home was determined to be in full compliance with the Environmental Health Rules for Adult Foster Care Small Group Homes by this licensing consultant on February 4, 2004.

This licensing consultant determined Seneca Place to be in full compliance with the Fire Safety Rules for Adult Foster Care Small Group Homes on February 4, 2004, and May 28, 2004. The home's smoke detection system is hard wired to the building's electrical system with battery back up. Simplex-Grinnell conducted a fire alarm inspection on January 16, 2004, and all tested devices functioned properly. Peninsula Fire Protection conducted an automatic sprinkler system inspection on May 30, 2003, and all devices functioned properly. Seneca Place has fire extinguishers and posted evacuation routes.

B. Program Description

This Office provided Rosemary Pierson, Designated Licensee for Northern Lakes Community Mental Health, and Barbara Vatter, Administrator for Seneca Place, with a comprehensive review of the administrative record keeping requirements for responsible persons and residents. Application processing included a review of Rosemary Pierson's and Barbara Vatter's general health appraisals and criminal history clearances. Northern Lakes Community Mental Health financial statements and home budget were reviewed. It was determined that the results of the above inquires met substantial compliance with statutory and administrative rule requirements for adult foster care.

Other items necessary to complete the application process have been reviewed by this office. House Rules have been developed and they do not conflict with the licensing rules. Rosemary Pierson possesses an MSW degree and Barbara Vatter possesses a Bachelor's degree. They both have several years of experience providing adult foster care services to developmentally disabled and physically handicapped adults. Rosemary Pierson completed the North Central Community Mental Health group home training curriculum on February 12, 2003. Barbara Vatter completed the North Central Community Mental Health group home training curriculum on September 12, 2003.

The population to be served at Seneca Place will be developmentally disabled and physically handicapped adults. This home is barrier free and wheel chair users will be accepted.

The goal of Seneca Place is to provide long term habilitation services through person centered planning in a community setting to individuals with developmental disabilities and accompanying physical handicaps. The mission of Seneca Place is to promote the health of developmentally disabled individuals through efficient management and delivery of behavior health services.

