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Dear Ms. McGregor:

This letter is written to clarify the Michigan Department of Public Health/Center for Substance Abuse Service's position in relation to licensure of your outpatient program. It is our understanding that your program has a separate, but associated component which houses adolescents in parent homes while they receive outpatient services at your service site. The Administrative Rules For Substance Abuse Service Programs in Michigan state in Rule 111(1), "In addition to the requirements of the act, a program shall comply with all federal, state, and local statutes, rules, and regulations that apply." This situation places adolescents in residential settings in some unlicensed homes and, as such, is contrary to State of Michigan/ Department of Social Services laws and requirements.

Please understand that this office supports ~~your~~ program ~~and a~~ design which accommodates housing needs for adolescents in outpatient treatment. Services for adolescents are much needed and the licensing review of your program demonstrated administrative and clinical compliance to qualify for a standard license. We also understand that your recent review by the Council for Accreditation (COA) did not raise any issues related to this situation.

However, this office must request that your program resolve this issue before we can issue a standard license. We would require evidence that the Department of Social Services is satisfied with the housing arrangements or assurance from your Board of Directors that this component of the program has been entirely eliminated and all references to residential arrangement (i.e. host homes) have been deleted from verbal or written communications originating from your program.

A response to this letter is required prior to the expiration of your current license on August 31, 1994. We wish you well in your endeavors with DSS and hope that you are able to resolve the issue and maintain satisfactory housing arrangements for your adolescents in treatment.

Sincerely,
Karen Schrock

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