

# Document Description Report

This report is a detailed description of the supporting evidence and documentation provided by ISAC Corporation in its reclassification request to ODADAS.

## **SECTION 1:**

In March of 2005, ISAC Corporation sent a Client Questionnaire to a parent and her son, a client of KHK. This document confirms allegations of physical and psychological abuse in the ISAC Corporation complaint against KHK; dated April 4, 2005. Furthermore, these abuses extended into the host home used by the client. This document clearly supports the ISAC Corporation claim that treatment extends to the host homes used by KHK.

## **SECTION 2:**

This section starts with copies of a complaint to ODJFS against the use of host homes in December of 2000. ODJFS closed this complaint after Penny Walker, executive director of KHK, received an application for a license to "recommend" foster homes. A letter from ODJFS to Penny Walker advising her of requirements to be licensed was included in this section. The next document is the "Kids Helping Kids Host Home Component" letter. It describes the host home model in detail. Of particular concern is the statement: "KHK's professional liability insurance specifically addresses coverage for host home incidents. Limits are \$1,000,000/\$3,000,000." This indicates that host homes use KHK treatment on clients, regardless of their phase status. Phases range from 1 to 5 and may include aftercare in certain circumstances.

In a letter dated December 14, 2000 to ODJFS licensing specialist Jeannie Ruggieri, Penny Walker states "Our clients do not actually move into a host home, since they do not take their possessions or any more than a change of clothes." This is clearly more evidence that host homes perform KHK treatment. ISAC Corporation is also concerned about what happens to first phase clients on Sundays. The building is closed, however, the phasers are "holed up" at the host homes, unable to relax and take a day off in the "Natural Environment".

Included in this section is a copy of Section 5103.02, from the House Bill 408. A letter acknowledging that ODJFS sent KHK an application is also included. No copies of any license were included in the ODJFS package sent to ISAC Corporation. An inquiry has been made to determine if in fact KHK has the license for which they applied.

## **SECTION 3:**

Margaret Singer, PhD was an expert on thought reform. She spent countless hours researching and reporting about it throughout her life. As Emeritus Professor of Psychology at the University of California, Berkeley, she wrote the report that is included

in this section. This proves that KHK uses thought reform in their treatment of adolescents.

### **SECTION 3 Cont:**

A report by the CIA regarding brainwashing is included since many of the tactics used by KHK to change the thoughts of its clients were very similar to ones used in North Korean POW concentration camps. This document was included as a matter of reference. It explains how the methods used at KHK are allegedly systematically abusive both physically and psychologically. An excerpt from Dr. Lipton about Therapeutic Community Programming is included. In it, he states that "Success in programs rarely occurs when the treatment is imposed on offenders in an authoritarian fashion..." The author is associated with the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

### **SECTION 4:**

According to the marketing director of Pathway Family Center (PFC) in Michigan, KHK and PFC have had an ongoing business relationship for many years. According to the KHK website, its program does not collaborate with any other program. This is FALSE. Recently, PFC placed ads online for a nurse and clinical therapist at KHK. While this type of behavior in itself is legal, it is rather uncommon and proves that PFC and KHK collaborate as evidenced by at least these two instances. Documents provided in this section will show that PFC also uses STRAIGHT, INC. methods. The documents include statements about "exceptions". An excerpt of the KHK website statement denying any collaboration is included. PFC has had many problems with licensing the host home component. Documents in this section support the deletion of the term host home from the PFC paperwork. There were no copies of any PFC host home license included in the latest FOIA request from either of the IN or MI licensing agencies. ISAC Copies of the online advertisements for positions at KHK are included. A statement regarding the history of KHK/STRAIGHT, INC is also included.

### **SECTION 5:**

Basic human and civil rights violations are prevalent throughout the treatment modality used by KHK. The documents provided in this section outline this fact. KHK subjects clients to rules like "no newcomers talking to newcomers", "no talking behind backs", "no talking out while in the rap room", "no radio or TV until 4<sup>th</sup> phase", "no reading anything while on 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> phase". These documents include a copy of a hand written note from an oldcomer to a newcomer that indicated a threat of physical harm. An excerpt of 3973:2-1-07, describing the rights of clients in programs is included. A memo from KHK to parents regarding host home visitors is included. The document "Helpful Hints for Taking Household" is also included. It mentions that 1<sup>st</sup> phase clients are restrained in the back of the host parent vehicle using child safety locks or "leg-locking". In the April 4, 2005 complaint, ISAC Corporation alleged that 1<sup>st</sup> phase clients were being constantly restrained by "beltlooping". ODADAS determined that this practice of "beltlooping" was not happening anymore. "leg-locking" and the use of child safety locks in vehicles transporting clients is a form of constant restraint. Sleeping in front of the

bedroom doors and/or windows is also a form of constant restraint. KHK uses constant restraint in many forms. All of these forms are violations of human and civil rights.

#### **SECTION 6:**

Included in this section is a letter from John W. Barron, Deputy Chief Legal Counsel for Governor Taft that states that there are indications that no records mentioning KHK exist in the governor's office files. Also included is a copy of a page from the March 1991 KHK newsletter that names Hope Taft as an "advisory board member". Excerpts from a report authored by Daniel Forbes, released by the Institute for Policy Studies Drug Policy Project is also included for reference. The entire report is located at this URL:

<http://www.ips-dc.org/projects/drugpolicy/ohio.pdf>