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Straight Gets Temporary Permit

SARASOTA - Straight Inc. will continue to operate in Sarasota under a 90-day license, pending the outcome of recent efforts by Straight officials to meet stricter state standards.

The temporary license is the second issued by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services following a critical report released by State Attorney James A. Gardner in March and numerous complaints from parents and former clients.

If Straight's Sarasota and St. Petersburg facilities comply with new operating guidelines set forth by the state, the two drug programs will be granted one-year licenses, according to HRS District VIII Administrator Robert Constantine.