

**Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals  
Assisted Living Program  
Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report**

**Assisted Living Program:**

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Ballard Creek Community  
908 N US Highway 69  
Huxley, IA 50124-9764

**Date of Monitoring Visit:**

April 12, 2007

**Monitor(s):**

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**Definitions:**

The following definitions are relevant:

**Regulatory Insufficiency** - A violation of a statutory or rule provision within the Iowa Code or Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) governing assisted living programs. A regulatory insufficiency requires a plan of correction to be presented to, and approved by, the Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA).

**Plan of Correction** - A written response to one or more regulatory insufficiencies that are rule violations [321 IAC 25.8(3)]. The plan should identify how, and by a specific date, an insufficiency will be corrected. The plan is due to DIA within ten (10) working days of the program's receipt of an Initial Certification Monitoring Evaluation Report. Depending on the circumstances, DIA may revisit the assisted living program to confirm progress in fulfilling a plan's corrective measures.

**Dementia-specific assisted living program** - An assisted living program certified under this chapter that either serves five or more tenants with dementia or cognitive disorder staged between 4 and 7 on the Global Deterioration Scale or holds itself out as providing specialized care for persons with cognitive disorder or dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, in a dedicated setting.

**Overview:**

An on-site monitoring evaluation was conducted at Ballard Creek Community on April 12, 2007. In preparing this report, the following information was considered:

## Current Program Census:

**General Population Program (GPP)\*** – A program that is not a Dementia Specific program, but may have tenants with cognitive disorder.

Current number of tenants without cognitive disorder: 27

Current number of tenants with cognitive disorder: 4

Total Population: 31

**Dementia Specific Program (DSP)\*** – Not applicable

**\*These are the census numbers represented by the program to be applicable at the time of the on-site.**

**Tenant/Family Satisfaction Results** – A community meeting was held with twenty-two tenants attending. Tenants stated the program was a nice place to live. Tenants reported housekeeping cleans their apartment as good as if they did it themselves. Tenants can depend on staff and stated staff are “always there for us.” Tenants stated the food is good with a majority of tenants stating there was “too much pasta” served. Tenants stated they enjoy the activities offered. They feel safe, are getting the services they expect and make their own decisions. Tenants are satisfied with the program and would recommend it to their friends and family.

**Complaint History** – There were no substantiated complaints during this certification period.

**On-Site Monitoring Evaluation** – The monitor(s) made the observations detailed in the following areas.

**A. Evaluation of Tenant** - The program evaluates each tenant's functional and cognitive abilities and health status and the determination of needed services as required. [321 IAC 25.23(1) and/or (2)]

Monitoring Observation: Four of four tenant files reviewed indicated the cognitive evaluation used did not have a scored value assigned for correct or incorrect responses by the tenant.

- Regulatory Insufficiency: The program did not have a cognitive evaluation tool with a scored value assigned.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007.