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November 2, 2010

Ms. Jamie Christensen, Manager
Homestead Acres Assisted Living
2306 State Street
Guthrie Center, IA 50115

**RE: Final Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report – Homestead Acres
Assisted Living, Guthrie Center, IA**

Dear Ms. Christensen:

Enclosed is the **Final Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report** completed by the Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA) in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 231C and Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) chapters 481–67 and 481–69. **No Regulatory Insufficiencies were found during this evaluation.**

The review of the recertification documents you submitted has been completed and are accepted. In addition, the State Fire Marshal's (SFM) inspection report has been received as well as the Facility Engineer's approval of the Evacuation Plans for your program.

Enclosed you will find the Assisted Living Program Certificate **S0087** with effective dates of **July 7, 2010 through July 6, 2012.**

If you have any questions regarding this certification, please contact me at 515/281-5721.

Sincerely,

Tamara Halvorson

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ASB Lead Certification Coordinator
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**Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals
Assisted Living Program
Final Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report**

Assisted Living Program:

Ms. Jamie Christensen, Manager
Homestead Acres Assisted Living
2306 State Street
Guthrie Center, IA 50115

Date of Monitoring Visit:

October 29, 2010

Monitor(s):

Hal L. Chase, RN BSN MPH

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. IAC r. 481-67.10(5). 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 a Recertification 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 481 IAC chapter 69 that: serves fewer than fifty-five (55) tenants and has five (5) or more tenants who have dementia between Stages 4 and 7 on the Global Deterioration Scale or serves 55 or more tenants and 10 percent or more of the tenants have dementia between Stages 4 and 7 on the Global Deterioration Scale or holds itself out as providing specialized care for persons with dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, in a dedicated setting.

Overview:

An on-site monitoring evaluation was conducted at Homestead Acres Assisted Living on October 29, 2010. 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: 13

Current number of tenants with cognitive disorder: 0

Total Population: 13

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 12 tenants. Tenants stated living at the program was good alternative from living at a nursing facility. Tenants reported they controlled their own heat and cooling in their apartments and reported the building and grounds were well maintained. Tenants reported they would like to have their windows cleaned more often. Tenants reported they were getting the services they needed and expected and reported the nursing services were available when needed and staff responded within 10 minutes when called. Tenants reported staff treated them in a manner in which they wanted to be treated, were trained well and were caring and considerate. Tenants reported the quality of food could be better and the food is bland. Tenants reported they have voiced their concerns to staff and staff have listened to them and have tried to make things better. Tenants reported they would like their food prepared separate from the adjacent nursing facility. Tenants reported they made their decisions and were generally satisfied with the program and would recommend the program to friends and family members.

Program History – The program received a regulatory insufficiency in the area of Other, non notification, during this certification period.

On-Site Monitoring Evaluation – The monitor(s) made the observations detailed in the following areas. There were no regulatory insufficiencies during the onsite investigation.

Dated this 1st day of November, 2010.