



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION
1200 Alder Street, Union Gap, WA 98903

APPLE CREEK INC
APPLE CREEK
PO Box 11776
YAKIMA, WA 98909

RE: APPLE CREEK License # 621201

Dear Provider:

This letter addresses Compliance Determination(s) 35312 (Completion Date 01/17/2024) and 34141 (Completion Date 12/20/2023).

The Department completed a follow-up inspection of your Adult Family Home on 01/17/2024 and found that you have corrected the violations listed in the Complaint report dated 12/20/2023. Your home is back in compliance as of 12/20/2023 with the cited requirements of the Washington Administrative Code or the Revised Code of Washington or both.

The Department found that deficiencies for the following licensing laws and regulations were corrected:
WAC 388-76-10025, WAC 388-76-10025-1, WAC 388-76-10025-2, WAC 388-76-10025-3,
WAC 388-76-10025-4

The Department staff who did the on-site verification:
Jo Whitney, AFH Licenser

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509)572-7394.

Sincerely,

Michelle Closner

Michelle Closner, Field Manager
Region 1, Unit C
Residential Care Services

This document was prepared by Residential Care Services for the Locator website.



Residential Care Services Investigation Summary Report

Provider/Facility: APPLE CREEK

Provider Type: Adult Family Home

License/Cert. #: 621201

Compliance Determination #: 34141

Intake ID: 108350

Investigator: Jo Whitney

Region/Unit #: RCS Region 1 / Unit C

Investigation Date(s): 12/19/2023 through 12/20/2023

Complainant Contact Date(s):

Allegation(s):

1) Annual license of \$1350 due in October 2023 unpaid.

Investigation Methods:

Sample: Total residents: 4
Resident sample size: 4
Closed records sample size: 0

Observations: Home environment for safety and resident quality of life, evidence of water/sewer/garbage services, food supply, residents, staff to resident interaction and provision of care and services.

Interviews: Provider, staff, resident

Record Reviews: Facility Management System (FMS) database, AFH mailing address, certificate of liability insurance coverage

Investigation Summary:

1) Provider and administrative staff were unaware the 2023 annual fee due annually in October was unpaid. Administrative staff collected mailed documents and scanned them for electronic storage. They were unable to say why there was no action to pay the fee per the invoice statement sent 60 days in advance. Failed practice identified WAC 388-76-10025 The AFH must pay the annual license fee.

Conclusion / Action:

- ☒ Failed Provider Practice Identified / Citation(s) Written
- ☐ Failed Provider Practice Not Identified / No Citation Written
- ☐ N/A



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Statement of Deficiencies	License #: 621201	Compliance Determination # 34141
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You are required to be in compliance at all times with all licensing laws and regulations to maintain your Adult Family Home license.

The department completed data collection for an unannounced on-site complaint investigation on 12/19/2023 and 12/19/2023 of:

APPLE CREEK
525 W Washington Ave
Yakima, WA 98903

This document references the following complaint number(s): 108350

The following sample was selected for review during the unannounced on-site visit: 4 of 4 current residents and 0 former residents.

The department staff that investigated the Adult Family Home:

Jo Whitney, AFH Licenser

From:
DSHS, Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
Residential Care Services, Region 1, Unit C
1200 Alder Street
Union Gap, WA 98903

As a result of the on-site visit(s), the department found that you are not in compliance with the licensing laws and regulations as stated in the cited deficiencies in the enclosed report.

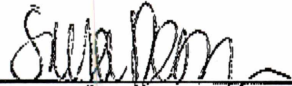
Michelle Clossner
Residential Care Services

12/22/2023
Date

I understand that to maintain an Adult Family Home license, I must be in compliance with all the licensing laws and regulations at all times.

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Provider (or Representative)

12/20/2023

Date

WAC 388-76-10025 License annual fee.

- (1) The adult family home must pay the license fee that is established in the state's operating budget, as described in RCW 70.128.060.
- (2) Each year, the home's annual license fee is due during the same month in which the home was initially licensed. For example, if the home was licensed in June, 2010, then the annual licensing fee will be due in June of each year.
- (3) The home must ensure that the department receives the annual license fee when it is due.
- (4) If the home does not pay the fee when it is due, the department will impose remedies.

This requirement was not met as evidenced by:

Based on observation, interview, and record review the Adult Family Home (AFH) failed to pay the annual license fee for the AFH. This failure placed residents at risk for uncertain living situation.

Findings included...

On 12/11/2023, the Facility Management System (FMS) database showed the AFH was licensed October 17, 2005. The renewal license history showed the annual license fee for 6 residents was not paid when due in October 2023. The fee remained unpaid on 12/19/2023.

On 12/19/2023 at 11:40 AM, Staff B, Caregiver, sat with Resident 1, 3 and 4 in the kitchen area for the lunch meal assisting and cueing as needed. Staff B stated the AFH served a variety of foods with a sufficient supply for all. Staff B was recently hired and in the training with oversight from Staff C, Caregiver.

On 12/19/2023 at 12:30 PM, Staff A, Provider was unaware the license fee was unpaid and would see that it was paid as soon as possible. On 12/19/2023 at 12:45 PM, Staff D, Administrative Support, stated mail was delivered to a post office box, collected, and opened. They said documents were reviewed for action, then scanned for electronic storage. Staff D did not know why the annual license fee was unpaid.

Attestation Statement

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I hereby certify that I have reviewed this report and have taken or will take active measures to correct this deficiency. By taking this action, APPLE CREEK is or will be in compliance with this law and / or regulation on (Date) 12/20/2023.

In addition, I will implement a system to monitor and ensure continued compliance with this requirement.

Sonya Patton
Provider (or Representative)

12/20/2023
Date