



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION
20311 52nd Ave W, Suite 100, Lynnwood, WA 98036

Northgate Adult Family Home LLC
"Always Welcome" AFH LLC
18912 60th Ave W
Lynnwood, WA 98036

RE: "Always Welcome" AFH LLC # 755983

Dear Provider:

This document references Compliance Determination 70480 (Completion Date 12/23/2025).

The Department completed a full inspection of your Adult Family Home on 12/23/2025 and found that your home does not meet the Adult Family Home licensing requirements.

The department staff who did the inspection and provided consultation:

Chrissy Exe, Long-Term Care Licensors

A licenser may consult with a provider when a violation of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) or Revised Code of Washington (RCW) is found, but it is not cited in the Statement of Deficiencies. Violations may not be cited when it is a first-time violation of statute or rule with minimal or no harm to residents. A consult does not require a follow-up visit.

Consultation:

WAC 388-76-10750 Safety and maintenance. The adult family home must:

(7) Keep all toxic substances and hazardous materials in locked storage and in their original containers;

The Adult Family Home (AFH) failed to ensure all toxic chemicals were kept in locked storage. A jug of liquid dish soap was observed in the unlocked cupboard underneath the kitchen sink. This deficiency was corrected on site at the time of inspection by Staff A, Entity Representative, who moved the dish soap to locked storage.

WAC 388-76-10430 Medication system.

(2) When providing medication assistance or medication administration for any resident, the home must ensure each resident:

(c) Medication log is kept current as required in WAC 388-76-10475 ;

The Adult Family Home (AFH) failed to ensure Resident 2's December 2025 medication log (ML) was up-to-date and accurate following a medication being discontinued. This deficiency was corrected on site at the time of inspection by Staff A, Entity Representative. Staff A updated Resident 2's December 2025 ML to reflect the discontinued medication.

You Must:

- Begin the process of correcting the deficiency or deficiencies immediately; and
- Complete correction as soon as possible.

You Are Not:

- Required to submit a plan-of-correction for the deficiency or deficiencies found.

The Department May:

- Inspect the home to determine if you have corrected all deficiencies.

You May:

- Ask for a informal dispute resolution meeting, according to the attached 'Informal Dispute Resolution' instructions; and
- Ask questions and provide written information to help clarify or dispute the deficiencies.
- Contact me for clarification of the deficiency or deficiencies found.

If You Have Any Questions:

- Please contact me at (206)914-5042.

Sincerely,

Renee Bourque

Renee Bourque, Field Manager
Region 2, Unit I
Residential Care Services

INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION [RCW 70.128]

You May:

Request an Informal Dispute Resolution (IDR) meeting within 10 working days after the date you receive this letter. You **must** use an '**IDR Request Form**' for **each** citation or enforcement you plan to dispute. You can make an IDR request and find directions on the IDR web page at: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/idr>

Provider Process for Choosing a Panel or Traditional IDR:

You may only choose a **Panel IDR** if you are disputing **three or fewer** citations or enforcement actions. You may choose a **Traditional IDR** regardless of the number of citations or enforcement actions you intend to dispute. If you choose a **Panel IDR**, all documents supporting your dispute must be submitted within **20 working days** after the date you receive this letter. For **Panel IDRs** the program will not consider any documents submitted after the **20 working day deadline**. For **Traditional IDRs** you should submit documents supporting your dispute at least **seven** days prior to the date of the IDR meeting.

Send your supporting documents to:

Email: RCSIDR@dshs.wa.gov; or

Fax: (360) 725-3225