



Licensed Child Caring Agency Unannounced Site Visit Report

Licensee: St. Mary's Home for Boys

Executive Director: Francis Maher

Assistant Director: Jeff Pinelli

Date of Unannounced: December 8, 2021

Licensing Coordinator: Robin DuVal

Other Regulatory or Accrediting Agencies: Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) Child Welfare Treatment Services and Oregon Youth Authority (OYA).

Purpose: Per OAR 413-215-0101 (1) (b) Children's Care Licensing is required to perform at least one unannounced site visit a year where children in care reside.

Previous Findings: License Renewal 07-31-2021	Repeat Findings Further Action Needed	Comments
413-215-0576(1)(d) Consents: Restrict contact with persons outside of the agency. "The agency shall ensure consent (d) is obtained from the guardian at intake and clearly documented."	Yes ☐ No ☒	Two youth files were reviewed and these consents and disclosures, along with the specific list of visitors, were clearly documented and signed by guardian. No further corrective action needed.
413-215-0576(2) Disclosures: Parent/guardian has acknowledged in writing: (b) Child specific visitors (c) Visitation resources are pre-approved "The agency shall ensure authorizations (b) and (c) are obtained from the guardian at intake and clearly documented."	Yes ☐ No ☒	

New Findings from Site Visit	Comments
413-215-0551(10) Written record of the administration of medication.	The agency shall ensure the written record of the medication administration are filled out accurately without blanks. The medication administration records (MARs) in each cottage had varying levels of blanks. Staff were asked about the blanks and some were unaware of the legend noted on the MAR for proper documentation.

Interview Summary

Youth N. has been in the program for approximately 6 months. Food is delicious and gets plenty. Has regular unrestricted contact with family. No issues with medication administration. Favorite thing is being out in the community. Least favorite is staff inconsistency with punishment. Some youth get a writing assignment for cursing, with some others don't. The therapist is liked and trusting. Feels staff protect youth when other youth experience challenges. Has observed a couple of physical restraints and thinks it's done in a safe way. Doesn't hear other youth talk or complain about restraints.

Youth E. is 18 years old and has been in the program for approximately two years. Feels safe here. The program has really helped with anger, coping skills and learning empathy. Enjoys playing basketball and this is one of the coping skills utilized. Least favorite experience at the program is being in the isolation room, which occurred seldom, and last occurrence was over a year ago. Food is pretty good, and alternatives are offered. Staff are trusting. The program does well at helping people. Has regular unrestricted contact with family and other involved parties. Peers in living unit are supportive and help each other.

Staff M. has worked here approximately 6 months and really likes how the program runs. Says they do well at addressing individual needs of the youth and are inclusive of nonbinary people. Staffing retention is challenging, and he realizes it's a statewide issue across all business types. CPI training occurred within the first week of training, and the agency has had ongoing training and review in restraints.

Staff D. has been involved in one physical restraint since the implementation of SB710 and feels the staff did a really good job and are grasping the revised method. The staff review following the restraint was positive and supportive.

Observations

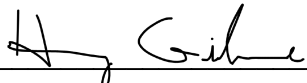
The four living units were observed and were clean, welcoming, and in good repair. Ford Cottage had a few bedrooms that were messy, floors covered with various items, mattress on floor, and mild odor. Staff said a few youth have been struggling, and the program has been very involved with each youth and their specific needs.

Corrective Actions and Timeframes:

Please submit the following to verify compliance.

Within 45 days of receipt of this report, **St. Mary's Home for Boys** must submit a letter of verification indicating the agency is in compliance with the specific rules cited above and describing how compliance will be maintained going forward. Along with the letter of verification, the agency must submit any and all specific documentation requested in the body of this report. The letter of verification and any additional requested documents are to be emailed directly to **Robin DuVal**, ROBIN.M.DuVal@dhsosha.state.or.us.

Licensing Coordinator's Signature: Robin DuVal Date: 12/15/2021

Manager Review:  Date: 12-15-2021