



April 19, 2019

ATTN: Donna Jerry

I am writing to request a jurisdictional determination for the following situation:

Valley Vista Bradford is an 80 licensed bed facility for Substance Use Residential Treatment. Of those 80 beds, Valley Vista as it is licensed today has 14 licensed beds by the Department of Children and Family to serve 16-22 year old males, and 66 licensed beds by the Department of Aging and Independent Living for adult men and women (44 male beds and 22 female beds).

Valley Vista Bradford is requesting to discontinue the Young Adult Program that is for males ages 16-22, discontinue our DCF licensure and request that DAIL license those already existing 14 beds. Valley Vista, and the state has made the decision around this due to the demand that we are seeing in the adult male population as evidence by an adult male waitlist. As we stand today, the youth program has had 0 youth over a two-week span with very limited referrals since October. This means that we have 14 beds that are not being utilized at this time when there is a need for these beds for adults.

This will mean that we will remain to have 80 licensed beds at our Bradford campus that will be licensed by DAIL. Staffing and services will remain the same and this will not contain any construction or renovations as they are pre-existing and already licensed beds. This will also mean that there is no financial impact or additional money that will be required to make this shift.

It is noted, a conversation with ADAP, DAIL and DCF has already occurred surrounding the demands and needs as discussed in the above paragraphs. ADAP supports that plan of dissolving the youth program and requesting that the 14 beds be licensed for adult men by DAIL. A re-application has already been sent to DAIL requesting for them to license those 14 beds, pending review for their decision. DCF is aware and working with ADAP around developing a couple of referral services for youth that may present to treatment.

If there is no objection to this, we would like to proceed as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

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