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Dear Mr. Logan:

The State of Kentucky, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, certifies that the following provisions of the Keys Amendment, Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act, have been met:

- In Kentucky, residential facilities in which a significant number of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients reside or are likely to reside are identified as family care homes, personal care homes, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, child-caring facilities, intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, group homes, boarding homes, and supports for community living services for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability. Enclosed is a summary of applicable rules as of October 2024.
- The Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of Inspector General, Division of Health Care is the designated authority to establish, maintain, and ensure the enforcement of regulatory standards for health facilities and services, including family care homes, personal care homes, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, and group homes. The Office of Inspector General, Division of Regulated Child Care is the designated authority to ensure the *enforcement* of regulatory standards for child-caring facilities. However, it is important to note that other departments within the Cabinet have related responsibilities. The Cabinet's Department for Community Based Services is the designated authority to formulate and establish regulatory standards for child-caring facilities. The Cabinet's Department for Public Health is the designated authority to establish, maintain, and ensure the enforcement of regulatory standards for boarding homes. The Cabinet's Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities is the

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designated authority with jurisdiction for the regulation of supports for community living services for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability.

- The Cabinet's Office of Inspector General, Department for Public Health, and Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities make available for public review on their respective web pages a link to the regulatory standards, including contact information for interested individuals to obtain further information about full standards, enforcement procedures, waivers from health facility physical plant standards, and violations.
- The Cabinet's Office of Inspector General, Department for Public Health, and Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities have established standards appropriate to the needs of SSI recipients and other individuals residing in facilities and has established procedures for enforcing those standards.

No changes have been made within the past calendar year to the standards or enforcement of regulations with respect to family care homes, psychiatric residential treatment facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities, group homes, boarding homes, or supports for community living services for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability. Attached please find a summary of the current standards in place for these facilities where SSI recipients reside.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Valerie Moore, Policy Specialist, Office of Inspector General, at (502) 545-4889, or at ValerieK.Moore@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tricia Steward".

Tricia Steward
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