

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Aging and Long-Term Support Administration PO Box 45600, Olympia, Washington 98504-5600

January 31, 2025

ALTSA: CCRSS #2025-001 WRITTEN CONSULTATION IN LIEU OF STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCY (SOD) CERTIFIED COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS (CCRSS)

Dear Certified Community Residential Services and Supports Provider:

Residential Care Services would like to inform Certified Community Residential Services and Supports (CCRSS) providers, that CCRSS contracted evaluators and complaint investigators have a possible option to issue the provider a written consultation in lieu of a Statement of Deficiency (SOD) provided the violation meets the conditions for a consultation.

• Effective February 1, 2025, a consultation may be considered if:

- Approved by the Field Manager;
- The provider corrects the deficient practice to the satisfaction of the department prior to the exit conference;
- The violation has not been cited in one of the two most recent preceding certification evaluations or complaint investigations during that time period; and
- o The violation did not pose a significant risk of harm or actual harm to a client.

The following will not be considered for a consultation:

- Fire Safety
- Medications
- Background Checks

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact your local RCS Field Manager (FM):

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Sincerely,

Amy Abbott, Director Residential Care Services

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