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**HEALTH FACILITIES COMMISSION  
MEMORANDUM  
AMENDED**

**Date:** April 3, 2024

**From:** Wanda E. Hines, Board Administrator

**Name of Board or Committee:** Health Facilities Commission  
Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities  
Board Meeting

**Date of Meeting:** April 3, 2024

**Time:** 9:00 AM., C.S.T.

**Place:** 665 Mainstream Drive, Iris Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor,  
Nashville, TN 37243

**Major Item(s) on Agenda:** *See attachment.*

**Link to Live Video Stream:**

**April 3, 2024**  
<https://tdh.streamingvideo.tn.gov/Mediasite/Play/653246c20f364bb4bf3f5af4376817461d>

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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**HEALTH FACILITIES COMMISSION**

**BOARD FOR LICENSING HEALTH CARE FACILITIES  
BOARD MEETING**

**APRIL 3, 2024- 9:00 A.M., C.S.T.**

**IRIS CONFERENCE ROOM, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SILENCE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES  
WHEN THE BOARD IS IN SESSION**

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**AGENDA**

- I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. February 7, 2024 Board Meeting
  - B. March 8, 2024 Emergency Disciplinary Hearing-Summary Suspension
- IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**
  - A. LICENSE STATUS REQUESTS (INACTIVE STATUS).**
    - 1. HANCOCK COUNTY HOME HEALTH AGENCY, SNEEDVILLE – HHA #117  
This home health agency is requesting to place their license on inactive status with a retro effective date of September 8, 2023 for two (2) years thru September 2025.

2. **DDC SURGERY CENTER, JACKSON – ASTC #70**  
This ambulatory surgical treatment center is requesting to place their license on inactive status for one (1) year. This facility has one provider to provide surgeries but as of February 26, 2024 the physician is on leave from the facility and is not performing any procedures. Without its only physician, the facility has temporarily shut down operations until it can successfully recruit a new physician to the area.
3. **SOUTHERN CARE, INC, FRANKLIN - ACLF #7**  
This sixty (60) bed assisted care living facility is requesting a second extension for their license to continue to remain on inactive status for an additional one (1) year. S & E Partners is still actively marketing for sale as an assisted care living facility and resume operations or to lease to a licensed management company to run it.

**B. BOARD POLICY(IES)**

1. **THE FOLLOWING NURSING HOMES ARE REQUESTING TO WAIVE NURSING HOME REGULATIONS 0720-18-.04(1) FOR A TENNESSEE REPLACEMENT IS HIRED OR RECEIVES HIS/HER LICENSE IN TENNESSEE BY BOARD POLICY #81:**
  - a. Buchanan Place Health and Rehabilitation, New Tazewell – NH #39  
Jennifer Kuehnlein, Temporary Administrator
  - b. Signature HealthCARE of Monteagle, Monteagle – NH #99  
Gregory James, Temporary Administrator
  - c. Lauderdale Community Living Center, Ripley – NH #154  
Kimberly Warren, Temporary Administrator
2. **THE FOLLOWING NURSING HOMES ARE REQUESTING A WAIVER TO PROVIDE OUTPATIENT THERAPY SERVICES AS PROVIDED FOR BY BOARD POLICY #32:**
  - a. CHURCH HILL POST-ACUTE AND REHABILITATION CENTER, CHURCH HILL – NH #125
  - b. BEECH TREE POST-ACUTE AND REHABILITATION CENTER, JELICO – NH #17

**C. CONSIDERATION & RATIFICATION LICENSURE APPLICATIONS - (CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (CHOW) AND (INITIAL).**

1. **QUALIFYING APPLICATIONS (INITIALS)**
  - a. Home for the Aged  
Just Like Home Senior Living, Nashville-File #644
  - b. Home Health Agencies  
901 Home Health Care, LLC, Memphis-File #673  
Tristate Infusion, LLC, Germantown-File #675

- c. Home Medical Equipment  
CNSCares, Grand Junction, CO – File #1391  
Just Breathe Automotive Division, Inc. – File #1407  
Koya Medical, Inc., Oakland, CA – File #1420  
Medical Solution Supplier, Chadds Ford, PA – File #1382

2. (CHOWS)

- a. Assisted Care Living Facilities  
Asbury Place at Maryville-Assisted Living, Maryville-License #224  
Asbury Place at Steadman Hill-Assisted Living, Kingsport-License #33  
The River at Maryland Farms, Brentwood – License #103
- b. Home Health Agencies  
What About Us In Home Healthcare, Inc., Memphis-License #645

D. LICENSE STATUS UPDATES

- 1. SISKIN HOSPITAL FOR PHYSICAL REHABILITATION, CHATTANOOGA – HOSPITAL #67  
Siskin Hospital for Physical Rehabilitation has given written notification of their intent to not request a fifth waiver extension for temporary addition of twelve (12) IRF beds.

V. REGULAR CALENDAR

A. FACILITY WAIVER REQUESTS.

- 1. SAINT FRANCIS HOSPITAL-BARTLETT, BARTLETT – HOSPITAL #161  
This one hundred ninety-six (196) bed hospital is requesting a third one (1) year extension waiver to continue the temporarily closure of its NICU and OB Services. Saint Francis Hospital-Bartlett had found necessary to cut in half the OB staff and the neonatology group that provided coverage of these services. The discontinuance of neonatology coverage led to the loss of pediatric coverage. The closure of these services occurred on or around March 1, 2022. Saint Francis Hospital-Bartlett will continue to provide these services at its sister campus, Saint Francis Hospital-Memphis.

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Kim Looney, Attorney

B. DISCUSSION(S).

- 1. HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING HOME FOR THE AGED, KNOXVILLE – RHA #288 (6<sup>TH</sup> REPORT)  
Heritage Assisted Living Home for the Aged or an authorized representative, shall appear before in-person at each scheduled Board meeting held during the facility probationary period (12 months), to provide updates to the Board.

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Barry Hall, President

2. **BROOKS FAMILY CARE HOME FOR THE AGED, NASHVILLE – RHA #27 (2<sup>nd</sup> REPORT)**

Brooks Family Care Home for the Aged or an authorized representative, shall appear before in-person at each scheduled Board meeting held six (6) months to provide the status of the facility and any disciplinary issues to the Board/Commission.

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Lisa B. Brown, Director

3. 2023 Quarter 4 Metrics Report from Vanderbilt University Medical Center #27 regarding services for its Hospital Care at Home Program.

4. Revision Home Health Services Agency Initial Instruction Sheet & Application.

5. Revision Home Medical Equipment Initial Application.

6. Andersonville TN OPCO, LLC, Andersonville – NH #5 - Board Policy #32 – Outpatient Therapy.

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Peter Prins, Administrator

7. Briarwood Community Living Center, Lexington – NH #127 – Board Policy #81 - Sandra Roudenbush, Temporary Administrator

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Lori Moore, Community Eldercare Services

8. Revisit 2018 PI Guidance Initial Licensure – Draft Interpretative Guideline.

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Nathaniel Flinchbaugh, Deputy General Counsel

C. APPLICATIONS (CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (CHOWS) AND (INITIALS)).

1. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.

(INITIALS)

N/A

(CHOWS)

a. Assisted Care Living Facilities

- (1) Countryside Post-Acute and Rehabilitation Center, Lawrenceburg-License #155

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Chris Puri, Attorney

- (2) The Sapphire at Music City, Nashville f/k/a Opal at Music City Conditional Licensure Order.

REPRESENTATIVE(S): Nathaniel Flinchbaugh,  
Deputy General Counsel

b. Nursing Homes

(1) The Waters of Kingsport, Kingsport – License #123

c. Home Medical Equipment

(1) Patient's Choice, Morristown – License #1255

D. REPORTS.

1. TRAUMA
2. NURSE AIDE/ABUSE REGISTRY
3. CLOSED FACILITY
4. OFFICE COUNSEL/OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES

E. ORDERS.

F. OTHER BUSINESS.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

VI. ADJOURN.

**HEALTH FACILITIES COMMISSION**  
**BOARD FOR LICENSING HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**April 3, 2024**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Christopher Wilson, Chairman  
Mr. Mohit Agrawal  
Mr. Louis Caputo  
Dr. Patsy Crihfield  
Dr. Julie Jeter  
Mr. Roger Mynatt  
Dr. Jennifer Tatum-Cranford  
Ms. Gina Throneberry

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mr. Paul Boyd  
Dr. Howard Clark  
Mr. Joshua Crisp  
Dr. Patricia Ketterman  
Mr. Bobby Meadows  
Mr. Tom Marshall  
Dr. Monica Warhaftig

**COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT**

Caroline Tippens, Director, Licensure & Regulation  
Ann R. Reed, Deputy Director, Licensure & Regulation  
Nathaniel Flinchbaugh, Deputy General Counsel  
Jeremy Gourley, Senior Associate General Counsel  
Vishan Ramcharan, Associate General Counsel  
Jim Christoffersen, General Counsel  
Wanda E. Hines, Board Administrator  
Ramona Douglas, Administrative Service Assistant 3  
Courtney Lilly, Disciplinary Coordinator

**CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM BY ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by a roll call vote at 9:23 a.m. by Ms. Reed with the following members present Agrawal, Caputo, Crihfield, Jeter, Mynatt, Tatum-Cranford and Throneberry and a quorum was established.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Reed presented the following minutes to the Board for approval:

February 7, 2024, Board Meeting  
March 8, 2024, Emergency Disciplinary Hearing-Summary Suspension

**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Ms. Throneberry seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**LICENSE STATUS REQUESTS (INACTIVE STATUS)**

**HANCOCK COUNTY HOME HEALTH AGENCY, SNEEDVILLE – HHA #117**

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**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve the inactive status requests; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**BOARD POLICY CONSENTS**

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**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to grant the Board policy #81 waivers; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**THE FOLLOWING NURSING HOME REQUESTED A WAIVER TO PROVIDE OUTPATIENT THERAPY SERVICES AS PROVIDED BY BOARD POLICY #32.**

Church Hill Post-Acute and Rehabilitation Center, Church Hill – NH #125  
Beech Tree Post-Acute and Rehabilitation Center, Jellico – NH #17



**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to grant the waivers; Dr. Tatum-Cranford seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**CONSIDERATION AND RATIFICATION OF LICENSURE APPLICATIONS (CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (CHOWS) AND (INITIALS))**

Ms. Reed presented the following applications for ratification:

**(INITIALS)**

**HOME FOR THE AGED**

Just Like Home Senior Living, Nashville – File #644

**HOME HEALTH AGENCIES**

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**HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT**

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**(CHOWS)**

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**HOME HEALTH AGENCIES**

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**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve the ratification of the Initial qualifying applications and CHOW qualifying applications; Ms. Throneberry seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

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continue to provide these services at its sister campus, Saint Francis Hospital-Memphis. Kim Looney, Attorney was the representative for this facility.

**Mr. Caputo made a motion to approve this waiver request; Mr. Mynatt seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**DISCUSSION(S)**

**HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING HOME FOR THE AGED, KNOXVILLE – RHA #288 (6<sup>th</sup> REPORT)**

Heritage Assisted Living Home for the Aged or an authorized representative shall appear in-person before each scheduled Board meeting held during the facility probationary period (12 months) to provide updates to the Board. Barry Hall, President was the representative for this facility.

Mr. Hall gave updates on Heritage Assisted Living Home for the Aged and answered questions from the Board. Mr. Vishan Ramcharan, Associate General Counsel informed Mr. Hall that the requirement for his presence at the remaining board meetings and give updates to the Board are no longer required as part of the facility’s probationary requirement effective April 5, 2024. The lift of probation for Heritage Assisted Living Home for the Aged will be presented at the June board meeting.

**BROOKS FAMILY CARE HOME FOR THE AGED, NASHVILLE – RHA #27 (2<sup>nd</sup> REPORT)**

Brooks Family Care Home for the Aged or an authorized representative shall appear in-person before each scheduled Board meeting held for six (6) months to provide the status of the facility and any disciplinary issues to the Board/Commission. Lisa B. Brown, Director was the representative for this facility.

Ms. Brown was present and answered questions from the Board. The Middle Regional Office (MTRO) and Plans Review has received the Plan of Correction from Ms. Brown and it was acceptable. The Board has requested a follow-up inspection since a survey has not been done since February 2024..

**2023 4th Quarterly Performance Report from Vanderbilt University Medical Center #27 regarding services for its Hospital Care at Home Program.**

Travis Swearingen was the representative for this report. Mr. Swearingen presented the quarterly report from Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Mr. Agrawal suggested to make a requirement to include length of stay average on the report. Dr. Jeter inquired about the customer satisfaction and requested a follow-up from Vanderbilt to be presented at the next board meeting. Dr. Wilson also requested a 30-day readmission rate on the next report to include six (6) quarters. Mr. Swearingen will inform Vanderbilt University Medical Center of the Board’s request.

**Revision Home Health Services Agency Initial Instruction Sheet & Application.**

Ann Reed and Jim Christoffersen presented this application. Ms. Reed and Mr. Christoffersen explain the changes and updates of the instruction sheet and application.

**Mr. Caputo made a motion to approve these revisions as written; Mr. Agrawal seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.**

**Revision Home Medical Equipment Initial Application.**

Ann Reed presented this revise application. Ms. Reed explained the changes/revision of the application with many out-of-state applicants applying for Home Medical Equipment licensure needed to get more information.

**Mr. Caputo made a motion to approve these revisions as written; Mr. Agrawal seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.**

**Andersonville TN OPCO, LLC, Andersonville – NH #5 – Board Policy #32 – Outpatient Therapy.**

Peter Prins, Administrator was the representative for this facility. Mr. Prins came before the Board regarding Board Policy #32 for outpatient therapy services for Andersonville TN OPCO, LLC. Mr. Prins felt the facility met the CMS regulations. The Board felt the nursing home would have a lot of foot traffic due to the shower area, dining room and the activity room will interfere with residents' home like environment. Patients seeking therapy will pass TV resident area and shower room going to the therapy room. Mr. Prins stated it is up to the resident choice in using the shower and it could be at different times. The door to the therapy room to outside would require a creation of a parking area.

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to deny this request; Dr. Crihfield seconded. The motion was denied unanimously.**

**Briarwood Community Living Center, Lexington – NH #127 – Board Policy #81**

Sandra Roudenbush, Temporary Administrator. Lori Moore, Community Eldercare Services was the representative for this facility. Facility requested to extend waiver of temporary unlicensed administrator for thirty (30) days until such time that a licensed administrator could begin on May 1, 2024. Discussion of statutory requirements and how this would place facility out of compliance with these terms.

A break was taken at 10:30 a.m. to discuss the provisions that would need to be met for this facility. The meeting resumed at 10:53 a.m.

A roll call vote was taken, and a quorum was reestablished with all previous members present.

Discussion of this facility resumed. Ms. Moore to request a waiver for absence of an administrator from Hillview Community Living Center, NH #280 in which she is currently serving as administrator and will replace Ms. Roudenbush as the temporary administrator for Briarwood Community living Center until May 1, 2024, when the new licensed administrator will take over that role. A temporary administrator will serve at Hillview Community Living Center until Ms. Moore can return.

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to approve this request; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**Revisit 2018 Performance Improvement Guidance Initial Licensure – Draft Interpretive Guideline.**

Caroline Tippens presented this guidance. Ms. Tippens explained this was an issue that had arisen with TennCare and she had spoken with the Director of TennCare Choices that affected Mr. Travis Swearingen, child client. Mr. Swearingen explained the issue of his client a child CHOW applicant who desired a Board's Interpretative Guideline on the initial provisional approval letter. This provisional letter was important to enable services to take place and bills being paid. The issue was TennCare did accept the provisional letter from the CHOW application but there was a delay with the process between TennCare and the MCO's which facilitate the programs. TennCare was accepting the provisional letter which new client uses to begin their CHOW progress but the MCOs was not willing to accept the letter TennCare was willing to use. The conversation with TennCare they were onboard with the provisional letter being a go to work letter. Mr. Swearingen felt this would be helpful with some interpretative guidance from the Board that it was the intent to serve as an opportunity for a new applicant/new owner can use with TennCare in signing them up with their program ready to be billed for services. Mr. Swearingen further explained the problem was MCOs was not accepting those letters that the TennCare Office was willing to do so. Mr. Swearingen felt an Interpretative Guidance of the Board intent and what that letter serves for providers going through the child process will get the process with the MCOs and let the MCOs know it is appropriate.

Mr. Puri also spoke on this topic. There were several discussion of the created language. Mr. Puri, Mr. Swearingen, and Mr. Flinchbaugh worked on the language while the Board continued with the Board agenda and brought back the suggested language and presented to the Board. Mr. Puri stated that The Tennessee Health Care Association (THCA) and the Tennessee Center for Assisted Living (TNCAL) will work with TennCare to the effect of the initial approval letter.

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to approve the changes made to the IG language; seconded by Mr. Caputo. The motion was approved unanimously.**

## **APPLICATIONS (CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP (CHOWS) AND (INITIALS)**

### **SPECIAL CONSIDERATION**

#### **(INITIALS)**

There were no initial applications to discuss at this meeting.

#### **(CHOWS)**

### **NURSING HOME**

Countryside Post-Acute and Rehabilitation Center, Lawrenceburg – License #155, Chris Puri, Attorney was the representative for this facility.

Mr. Puri addressed the follow-up information required for the CHOW application for Countryside Post-Acute and Rehabilitation Center regarding the nursing home with affirmative discipline responses which included on the initial application disciplinary acknowledgement. Documentation was provided to the Board regarding the information on the CHOW application to support the action taken.

Dr. Wilson stated that a Board Policy should be developed to ensure any CHOW applications with discipline responses the applicant will need to appear at the Board meeting with supported documentation when the application is presented for ratification.

**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve Countryside Post-Acute and Rehabilitation Center, Lawrenceburg CHOW application request; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

### **ASSISTED CARE LIVING FACILITY**

The Sapphire at Music City, Nashville f/k/a Opal at Music City Conditional License Order. Nathaniel Flinchbaugh presented this matter.

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to approve this CHOW request. Mr. Mynatt seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

### **NURSING HOME**

The Waters of Kingsport, Kingsport – License #123

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to defer this request until the next scheduled Board meeting with representative(s) for the facility being present; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT**

Patient’s Choice, Morristown – License #1255

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to defer this request until the next scheduled Board meeting with representative(s) for the facility being present; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**REPORTS**

**TRAUMA SYSTEM REPORT**

Mr. Robert Seesholtz was the presenter for this report. Mr. Seesholtz request a one-time rule waiver for Trauma Rule 0720-22-.04(4)(c)(1) which governs Site Team composition requirements for Level 1 and Level 2 trauma centers.

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to approve this report; Dr. Jeter seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.**

Update of readiness cost survey for 2023-2024 completed regarding trauma funding law 2007 put two cents on a part of pack of cigarettes which went to trauma centers which brought to \$2 million dollars. The money went to readiness cost to guarantee higher level of care and become trauma center designated and uncompensated care by trauma centers.

**No vote was necessary for this report.**

Update of Trauma care advisory council minutes for November 2023 provided.

**No vote was necessary for these minutes.**

**FACILITY WAIVER REQUESTS**

N/A

**DISCUSSION(S)**

**Revisit 2018 Performance Improvement Guidance Initial Licensure – Draft Interpretive Guideline.**

This proposed language draft was presented before the Board to view for approval. Discussion of altering proposed drafted language to be re-presented later in the meeting.

**REPORTS**

**NURSE AIDE/ABUSE REGISTRY REPORT**

Ms. Reed was the presenter for this report. This report gave an update on the number of nurse aide certification; the pass/fail rates of the knowledge and skill test rates; the annual review of Nurse Aide Training Programs in the past two (2) consecutive years; number of approved nurse aide training programs; and the current number of person on the abuse registry since the February Board meeting.

Ms. Reed stated a new added item to the report is the Annual Review of Nurse Aide Training Program of the pass rate results being at least 70% for the past two (2) consecutive years. Nurse aide registry staff has gone through all the approved programs and looked at their rates over the past two (2) years and this is a rough breakdown of what was found so out of nursing homes 140 programs were reviewed; 31 received letters of warning; 43 received letters requesting plans of program improvement; nurse aide registry has

received 29 letters of program improvement plans thus far and two (2) programs had 100% across the board for 2023. The private programs there were 172 programs that were reviewed; 26 letters of warning were sent out. The week of April 8<sup>th</sup> 23 letters were sent out requesting plans of program improvement and 18 programs had 100% across the board for 2023.

### **CLOSED FACILITY REPORT**

Ms. Reed was the presenter for this report. Updates on facilities that have voluntarily closed or failed to renew since last meeting.

### **OFFICE COUNSEL/OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES REPORT**

This report was deferred until Mr. Flinchbaugh returned from assisting with Discussion item PI Interpretive Guidance language proposal.

### **ORDERS**

#### **ALEXANDER GUEST HOUSE, OAK RIDGE – ACLF #444**

Vishan Ramcharan presented the proposed Agreed Order for approval to assess one (1) Civil Monetary Penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be paid within thirty (30) days of ratification.

**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve this order after changing the order heading language from Consent order to Agreed order; Ms. Throneberry seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### **ABE’S GARDEN/PARK MANOR APARTMENTS, NASHVILLE – ACLF #353**

Jeremy Gourley presented the proposed Consent Order for approval to assess one (1) Civil Monetary Penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be paid within thirty (30) days of ratification.

**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve this order as written; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### **ARBOR TERRACE OF KNOXVILLE, KNOXVILLE – ACLF #18**

Jeremy Gourley presented the proposed Consent Order for approval to assess one (1) Civil Monetary Penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) and two (2) Civil Monetary Penalties of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) each, for a total assessment of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) to be paid within thirty (30) days of ratification.

**Mr. Caputo made a motion to approve this order as written; Mr. Agrawal seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### **ASBURY PLACE OF MARYVILLE, MARYVILLE – ACLF #224**

Jeremy Gourley presented the proposed Consent Order for approval to assess two (2) Civil Monetary Penalties of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) each, for a total assessment of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) due within thirty (30) days of ratification.

**Mr. Mynatt made a motion to approve this order as written; Dr. Tatum-Cranford seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### **ASCENSION LIVING ALEXIAN VILLAGE TENNESSEE, SIGNAL MOUNTAIN – NH #102**

Jeremy Gourley presented the proposed Consent Order for approval to assess one (1) Civil Monetary Penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be paid within thirty (30) days of ratification.

**Mr. Caputo made a motion to approve this order as written; Mr. Agrawal seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

## **REPORTS**

### **OFFICE COUNSEL/ OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES REPORT**

Nathaniel Flinchbaugh presented this report. Updates on the number of open case files were given.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Revisit 2018 Performance Improvement Guidance Initial Licensure – Draft Interpretive Guideline.**

The adjusted language for the PI Interpretive Guidelines was re-reviewed for approval.

**Mr. Agrawal made a motion to approve the new PI language guidance language; Mr. Caputo seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were made during this meeting.

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.