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HEIGHTENED SCRUTINY EVALUATION SETTING SUMMARY SHEET**

**Home and Community-Based Services**

**SITE OVERVIEW**

Heightened Scrutiny Identification Number	<b>024</b>
Provider Name	<b>Agape Cottage III</b>
Setting Name	<b>Agape Cottage III</b>
Setting Type	
Waiver(s) Served	
Setting Address	
Site Assessment Completion Date	<b>07/18/2019</b>
Heightened Scrutiny Summary Sheet Completion Date	<b>06/10/2022</b>
Expected Date of Compliance	<b>12/02/2022</b>

**REASON(S) FOR HEIGHTENED SCRUTINY (HS)**

- Setting is located in a building that is also a publicly or privately-operated facility that provides inpatient institutional treatment
- Setting is in a building located on the grounds of, or immediately adjacent to, a public institution

- Setting has the effect of isolating individuals receiving Medicaid Home and Community Base Services (HCBS) from the broader community of individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS
  - Due to the design or model of service provision in the setting, individuals have limited, if any, opportunities for interaction in and with the broader community, including individuals not receiving Medicaid-funded HCBS
  - Setting restricts individual choice to receive services or to engage in activities outside of the setting
  - Setting is located separate and apart from the broader community without facilitating individual opportunity to access the broader community and participate in community services, consistent with an individual's person-centered plan



**SETTING SUMMARY: COMPLIANCE OVERVIEW AND REMEDIATION STRATEGY**

*Setting is located in a building that is also a publicly or privately-operated facility that provides inpatient institutional treatment*

<b>Summary of Evidence</b>	
<b>Summary of Remediation Strategy</b>	

**Remediation Strategy Approved?**     Yes     No

**Remediation Start Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Remediation End Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



**Setting is in a building located on the grounds of, or immediately adjacent to, a public institution**

<b>Summary of Evidence</b>	
<b>Summary of Remediation Strategy</b>	

**Remediation Strategy Approved?**     Yes     No

**Remediation Start Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Remediation End Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



***Due to the design or model of service provision in the setting, individuals have limited, if any, opportunities for interaction in and with the broader community, including individuals not receiving Medicaid-funded HCBS***

<p><b>Summary of Evidence</b></p>	<p>Individuals living at A Mother Theresa Care (Formerly Agape Cottage III) have limited opportunities for interaction in and with the broader community. A Mother Theresa Care employs practices that impede an individual’s community access. Individuals are unable to go into the community unaccompanied. Doors are locked and individuals do not have keys. Doors are alarmed. A Mother Theresa Care does not plan activities in the community based on individuals’ interests and preferences. Individuals have little opportunity to participate in community activities with or without their housemates/roommates.</p>
<p><b>Summary of Remediation Strategy</b></p>	<p>A Mother Theresa Care created a process to ensure individuals do not experience restrictions that are not based on their individual assessed needs. They intend to impose restrictions only if a person-centered assessment identifies health and safety needs. If the person-centered team defines a restriction, it is based on the assessed need, documented in the Individual Service Plan (ISP), and reviewed at least annually. A Mother Theresa Care intends to support individuals to participate in community activities as they please unless there is a documented health and safety concerns in their ISP. Staff, family, or friends will support individuals who have such a documented need to participate in community activities as described in their ISP. Individuals will be given a key to their front door unless there is an assessed need documented in their ISP. The gate outside is no longer locked. A Mother Theresa Care discontinued the use of chimes. Individualized interventions will be implemented for those who have been assessed to need monitoring for their health and safety. These interventions will be documented in the ISP and reviewed at least annually.</p> <p>A Mother Theresa Care intends to plan community activities based on individuals’ interests and preferences. Individuals will be encouraged to speak with staff if they want or need assistance with planning activities in which they are interested.</p> <p>During regular monthly meetings, the administrator solicits input from individuals asking them what they would like to do. Individuals are invited to participate and have the option to decline. Individuals can choose to go with or without their housemates/roommates. They have the option of choosing with whom they would like to go. The administrator maintains a calendar of scheduled activities.</p>



**Remediation Strategy Approved?**     Yes     No

**Remediation Start Date:** 06/02/2022

**Remediation End Date:** 12/02/2022



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**Remediation Start Date:** 06/01/2022

**Remediation End Date:** 12/02/2022



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<b>Summary of Evidence</b>	
<b>Summary of Remediation Strategy</b>	

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