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HEIGHTENED SCRUTINY EVALUATION SETTING SUMMARY SHEET**

**Home and Community-Based Services**

**SITE OVERVIEW**

Heightened Scrutiny Identification Number	<b>337</b>
Provider Name	<b>Walnut House</b>
Setting Name	<b>Walnut House</b>
Setting Type	
Waiver(s) Served	
Setting Address	
Site Assessment Completion Date	<b>04/08/2019</b>
Heightened Scrutiny Summary Sheet Completion Date	<b>06/06/2022</b>
Expected Date of Compliance	<b>06/30/2022</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-Based 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:** \_\_\_\_\_



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

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<b>Summary of Evidence</b>	<p>Individuals living at Walnut House had limited opportunities for interaction in and with the broader community. The physician determines if individuals can participate in community activities. Walnut House locks the doors at 7:00 pm and individuals are unable to enter their home without assistance because they do not have their own keys. Doors are alarmed.</p>
<b>Summary of Remediation Strategy</b>	<p>Walnut House submitted a Remediation Work Plan (RWP) to address the noncompliance. They intend to ensure that individuals have access to the community independently unless there is an assessed need that results in a support or restriction documented in their Individual Service Plan (ISP). Any restrictions are reviewed by the person-centered team at least annually. Individuals can access the community independently unless an assessed need that is reviewed by the person-centered team warrants the need for a restriction or support to accessing the community. Supports or restrictions are documented in the ISP. The physician's approval or disapproval serves as a recommendation to the person-centered team to design supports or limitations based on the individual's assessed needs.</p> <p>Walnut House will continue to lock the exterior doors from 7:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Anyone entering the building during those hours are let in by staff at the front desk. No one, including the administrator or staff, have keys to the building. This practice is reviewed at admission and at least annually after that. Walnut House will continue to use video surveillance. They will inform individuals at admission and annually after that, the video cameras are used. They are told that Walnut House maintains video recording, without audio, for seven days. Individuals can request to see the footage before it is</p>



	<p>erased. There are signs on display to remind people that video cameras are used. Individuals will also be informed of the use of chimes or alarms. The chimes are used to inform staff that someone is coming or leaving. They do not restrict freedom of movement.</p>
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**Remediation Strategy Approved?**     Yes     No

**Remediation Start Date:** 5/26/2022

**Remediation End Date:** 06/30/22



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