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**Subject:** Questions

I know the draft of the new regulations went out today. I do have a couple questions that are not related to the homecare regulations and one that is related.

#### Homecare Licensure

1. The PA Bulletin states that comments are due in 30 days. That falls on Sept 3, which is Labor Day. Will comments then be due by Sept. 4?

#### General Questions

2. May a home health or homecare agency have their physical office in another state or must they have a physical office in Pennsylvania. For example, if an agency provides care in PA and NJ but is based across the river in New Jersey do they need to open up a PA location?
3. Do home health/homecare offices need to be ADA compliant? Many of our patients do not come to the office or smaller agencies have their offices in their homes.
4. If a "branch" office of a licensed agency once to secure a separate license number must they go through the entire licensing process as if they are a new agency?
5. There's an error on the front page of the HCA/HCR website under c. (iii) Competency examination for persons performing IADL. This should read only ADL. The word instrumental should be removed per the statute.

Please call me or send me back an email. Thanks for any assistance you can provide.

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