

3209 Autism Behavioral Services ABS Group, Inc.

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of our BHRS agency, Autism Behavioral Services in Wyoming, Pennsylvania. We are concerned about the new regulations for IBHS and the impact it will have on our clients and employees. With these new regulations in place, we feel it will be increasingly difficult to train existing staff and to hire and train new staff. We have already witnessed a severe decline in therapeutic staff support which has led to long waitlists for clients to begin services. We have a supervisory staff that is well-educated and experienced, but according to the new regulations will need more education. This will not only require time but also financial means to do so. In addition, we are a small agency that believes that quality over quantity is ideal for clientele we are servicing. The financial burden will be significant to our agency. We are opposing the new regulations in order for our clients to continue to have the care they deserve and are currently receiving.

Thank you for time.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Dominick, MPA/BSL President, Autism Behavioral Services