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TO: Lori Gutierrez, Deputy Director, Office of Policy Independent  
Regulatory Review Commission, Pennsylvania  
Department of Health

FROM: Penelope Chase, RN, MSN, M Ed, CNS -Independent Living  
Resident of Foulkeways

RE: Proposed changes - Licensure Regulations to 28 PA Code  
201 & 211 to Federal Code 42 CFR Part 483

I respectfully ask that Foulkeways at Gwynedd be exempted from Federal Medicare regulations that would require Foulkeways to add a Registered Nurse to our staff in order to complete the paperwork required for nursing facilities participating in the Medicare program.

As you are aware, Foulkeways withdrew from that program in 2017 in order for our Registered Nurses to be able to spend what would have been documentation time, instead, with their patients.

Foulkeways thus does not receive that Medicare funding. Instead we rely on self-funded /private pay for our Nursing Home care. And our 2022 DOH Survey showed no deficiencies.

Thank you for your consideration.

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