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Lori Gutierrez
Deputy Director, Office of Policy

Dear Ms. Gutierrez;

RE: Proposed Dept. of Health Pennsylvania Nursing Facility Licensure Regulations to 28 PA Code 201 and 211 Federal Code 42CFR Part 483

I write you as a resident of Foulkeways at Gwynedd. We are a pre-eminent Lifecare Community of about 400 or so residents. Most are enjoying a high quality of independent living, with the expectation that, we will be cared for the rest of our lives. We are small and rely on the fees paid by us to support the entire establishment, including the Assisted Living and 52 bed nursing home.

As a retired nursing educator with both life and professional experience, I assure you that the nursing care and caring here is excellent. My late husband had Alzheimer's Disease and spent many months receiving the very best of nursing care: I was impressed. (Note, I am an expert on proper nursing care and would only say I was impressed if 100% true.)

We receive no monies from Medicare and Medicaid.

No deficiencies were found in in our 2022 DOH survey.

The proposed new regulations would place an undue, and unnecessary financial burden on us residents. I understand that, for example, that we would be required to have a full-time registered nurse to do Medicare paperwork. They would have to certify the accuracy of the MDS for Medicare funding **that we do not receive**. What a waste!

The cost of this RN was not calculated in the DOH fiscal impact on our self-funded and completely private pay nursing home.

HELP!! If this goes through, it is an example of government run amok

Why make an unnecessary increase in cost to the already horrible costs involved in caring for the elderly.

Please make Foulkeways exempt from the Federal Medicare regulations being imposed on us by the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

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