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Lori Gutierrez
Deputy Director
Office of Policy

Dear Ms. Gutierrez,

I have heard about the Department of Health's proposal to adopt the Federal Medicare regulations for all Pennsylvania Nursing Homes even though they do not accept Medicare Funds.

The very reason our facility has for not accepting these funds is to allow our nursing staff more time to provide patient care. The care provided by Gwynedd House staff here at Foulkeways is excellent. Our 2022 DOH survey had no deficiencies.

Having worked in and with nursing homes for over 35 years in three different states, I have seen that the best care possible is given to all patients here. In order to maintain the present standard, we will probably need to hire an additional nurse just to do paperwork. This will inevitably mean an increase in the facility budget. It is we residents who will be affected by the increase.

We need all of our nursing personnel to have the time to provide care, not fill out compliance forms. These proposed changes will mean either less care or more cost.

Please do not enact these proposed changes.

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