

August 21, 2026

[REDACTED]
Administrator
8870 Duncan Ave OPCO, LLC
8870 Duncan Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237
[REDACTED]

RE: Ridgecrest of McCandless License #: 455600

Dear [REDACTED]

Your request to waive 55 Pa.Code § 2600.54(a)(2) is granted under the authority of 55 Pa.Code § 2600.19 (relating to waivers) due to [REDACTED] receiving their education outside of the United States.

2600.54 Qualifications of direct care staff persons.

(a) Direct care staff persons shall have the following qualifications.

(2) Have a high school diploma, GED or active registry status on the Pennsylvania nurse aide registry.

This waiver is granted under the following conditions:

1. This waiver applies to [REDACTED], employed by Ridgecrest of McCandless, located at 8870 Duncan Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237, License #:455600.
2. [REDACTED] shall serve in a direct care staff position as documentation submitted from Park Evaluations determined their education obtained in [REDACTED] equivalent to a high school diploma obtained in the United States.
3. Documentation of [REDACTED] educational qualifications shall be kept by Ridgecrest of McCandless in their personnel file and made available to the Department upon request.

The Department of Human Services will review this waiver each year during its annual inspection to determine compliance with the preceding conditions. Failure to comply with the conditions of this waiver or with other requirements of 55 Pa.Code Chapter 2600 may result in termination of this waiver or other licensing action.

Sincerely,

Theresa Hartman

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