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October 28, 2009

Zainab Abdi, Administrator Daalo Home Healthcare LLC 1817 Nicollet Ave S Suite #5 Minneapolis, MN 55403

Re: Results of State Licensing Survey

Dear Ms. Abdi:

The above agency was surveyed on September 23 and 24, 2009, for the purpose of assessing compliance with state licensing regulations. State licensing deficiencies, if found, are delineated on the attached Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) correction order form. The correction order form should be signed and returned to this office when all orders are corrected. We urge you to review these orders carefully, item by item, and if you find that any of the orders are not in accordance with your understanding at the time of the exit conference following the survey, you should immediately contact me, or the RN Program Coordinator. If further clarification is necessary, I can arrange for an informal conference at which time your questions relating to the order(s) can be discussed.

A final version of the Licensing Survey Form is enclosed. This document will be posted on the MDH website.

Also attached is an optional Provider questionnaire, which is a self-mailer, which affords the provider with an opportunity to give feedback on the survey experience.

Please note, it is your responsibility to share the information contained in this letter and the results of this visit with the President of your facility's Governing Body.

Please feel free to call our office with any questions at (651) 201-4301.

Sincerely,

Jean M. Johnston

Jean Johnston, Program Manager Case Mix Review Program

Enclosures

cc: Hennepin County Social Services Ron Drude, Minnesota Department of Human Services Sherilyn Moe, Office of the Ombudsman

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Registered nurses from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) use this Licensing Survey Form during on-site visits to evaluate the care provided by Class A Licensed-Only Home Care Providers. Class A licensees may also use this form to monitor the quality of services provided to clients at any time. Licensees may use their completed Licensing Survey Form to help communicate with MDH nurses during an on-site regulatory visit.

During an on-site visit, MDH nurses will interview staff, clients and/or their representatives, make observations and review documentation. The survey is an opportunity for the licensee to describe to the MDH nurse what systems are in place to provide Class A Licensed-Only Home Care services. Completing this Licensing Survey Form in advance may facilitate the survey process.

Licensing requirements listed below are reviewed during a survey. A determination is made whether the requirements are met or not met for each Indicator of Compliance. This form must be used in conjunction with a copy of the Class A Licensed-Only Home Care regulations. Any violations of the Class A licensing requirements are noted at the end of the survey form.

Name of Class A Licensee: DAALO HOME HEALTHCARE LLC

HFID #: 25748	
Date(s) of Survey: September 23 and 24, 2009	
Project #: QL25748003	

Indicators of Compliance	Outcomes Observed	Comments
<ol> <li>The provider accepts and retains clients for whom it can meet the needs.</li> <li>Focus Survey         <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0140</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey         <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0050</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0060 Subp. 3, 4 and 5</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0180 Subp. 8</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Clients are accepted based on the availability of staff, sufficient in qualifications and numbers, to adequately provide the services agreed to in the service agreement.</li> <li>Service plans accurately describe the needs and services and contain all the required information.</li> <li>Services agreed to are provided Clients are provided referral assistance.</li> </ul>	Focus Survey Met XCorrection Order(s) issued XEducation Provided Expanded Survey Survey not Expanded Met Correction Order(s) issued Education Provided Follow-up Survey <u>#</u> New Correction Order issued Education Provided

Indicators of Compliance	Outcomes Observed	Comments
<ul> <li>2. The provider promotes client rights.</li> <li>Focus Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0030</li> <li>MN Statute §144A.44</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0040</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0170</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. The provider promotes and protects each client's safety, property, and well-being.</li> <li>Focus Survey <ul> <li>MN Statutes §144A.46 Subd. 5(b)</li> <li>MN Statutes §626.556</li> <li>MN Statutes §626.557</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0035</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Clients' are aware of and have their rights honored.</li> <li>Clients' are informed of and afforded the right to file a complaint.</li> <li>Glient's person, finances and property are safe and secure.</li> <li>All criminal background checks are performed as required.</li> <li>Clients are free from maltreatment.</li> <li>There is a system for reporting and investigating any incidents of maltreatment.</li> <li>Maltreatment assessments and prevention plans are accurate and current.</li> </ul>	Focus Survey         X       Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Survey not Expanded        Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Follow-up Survey #        New Correction         Order issued        Education Provided         Focus Survey        Met         X_Correction Order(s)         issued         X_Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Met         X_Correction Order(s)         issued         X_Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Survey not Expanded        Met         X_Correction Order(s)         issued         X_Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Survey not Expanded        Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Follow-up Survey #        New Correction         Order issued        Education Provided
<ul> <li>4. The provider maintains and protects client records.</li> <li>Focus Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0160</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey <ul> <li>[Note: See Informational Bulletin 99-11 for Class A variance for Electronically Transmitted Orders.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Client records are maintained and retained securely.</li> <li>Client records contain all required documentation.</li> <li>Client information is released only to appropriate parties.</li> <li>Discharge summaries are available upon request.</li> </ul>	Focus Survey         X_Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Survey not Expanded        Met

Indicators of Compliance	<b>Outcomes Observed</b>	Comments
Non-compliance with this variance will result in a correction order issued under 4668.0016.]		Correction Order(s) issued Education Provided Follow-up Survey <u>#</u> New Correction Order issued Education Provided
<ul> <li>5. The provider employs and/or contracts with qualified and trained staff.</li> <li>Focus Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0100</li> <li>[Except Subp. 2]</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0065</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0060 Subp. 1</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0070</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0070</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0080</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0130</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0130</li> <li>MN Statute §144A.45 Subd. 5</li> </ul> </li> <li>[Note: See Informational Bulletin 99-7 for Class A variance in a Housing With Services Setting. Non-compliance with this variance will result in a correction order issued under 4668.0016.]</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Staff, employed or contracted, have received all the required training.</li> <li>Staff, employed or contracted, meet the Tuberculosis and all other infection control guidelines.</li> <li>Personnel records are maintained and retained.</li> <li>Licensee and all staff have received the required Orientation to Home Care.</li> <li>Staff, employed or contracted, are registered and licensed as required by law.</li> <li>Documentation of medication administration procedures are available.</li> <li>Supervision is provided as required.</li> </ul>	Focus SurveyMetCorrection Order(s) issuedEducation Provided Expanded SurveySurvey not ExpandedMet X_Correction Order(s) issued X_Education Provided Follow-up Survey #New Correction Order issuedEducation Provided
<ul> <li>6. The provider obtains and keeps current all medication and treatment orders [if applicable].</li> <li>Focus Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0150</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0100 Subp. 2</li> </ul> </li> <li>[Note: See Informational Bulletin 99-7 and 04-12 for Class A variance in a Housing With Services setting with regards to medication administration, storage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Medications and treatments administered are ordered by a prescriber.</li> <li>Medications are properly labeled.</li> <li>Medications and treatments are administered as prescribed.</li> <li>Medications and treatments administered are documented.</li> <li>Medications and treatments are renewed at least every three months.</li> </ul>	Focus Survey         X       Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Survey not Expanded        Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Follow-up Survey #        New Correction

Indicators of Compliance	Outcomes Observed	Comments
and disposition. Non-compliance with this variance will result in a correction order issued under 4668.0016.]		Order issued Education Provided
<ul> <li>7. The provider is licensed and provides services in accordance with the license.</li> <li>Focus Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0019</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expanded Survey <ul> <li>MN Rule 4668.0008 Subp. 3</li> </ul> </li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0060 <ul> <li>Subp. 2 and 6</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0180</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0220</li> </ul> </li> <li>Note: MDH will make referrals to the Attorney General's office for violations of MN Statutes 144D or 325F.72; and make other referrals, as needed.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Language requiring compliance with Home Care statutes and rules is included in contracts for contracted services.</li> <li>License is obtained, displayed, and renewed.</li> <li>Licensee's advertisements accurately reflect services available.</li> <li>Licensee provides services within the scope of the license.</li> <li>Licensee has a contact person available when a para-professional is working.</li> </ul>	Focus Survey         X       Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Expanded Survey        Survey not Expanded        Met        Correction Order(s)         issued        Education Provided         Follow-up Survey #        New Correction         Order issued        Education Provided
<ul> <li>8. The provider is in compliance with MDH waivers and variances.</li> <li>Expanded Survey</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0016</li> </ul>	• Licensee provides services within the scope of applicable MDH waivers and variances	This area does not apply to a Focus Survey.         Expanded Survey         X_Survey not Expanded        Met        Correction Order(s)         issued         X_Education Provided         Follow-up Survey #        New Correction         Order issued        New Correction         Order issued        Education Provided

<u>Please note</u>: Although the focus of the licensing survey is the regulations listed in the Indicators of Compliance boxes above, other rules and statutes may be cited depending on what system a provider has or fails to have in place and/or the severity of a violation. The findings, of the focused survey may result in an expanded survey.

# **SURVEY RESULTS:** All Indicators of Compliance listed above were met.

For Indicators of Compliance not met, the rule or statute numbers and the findings of deficient practice are noted below.

#### 1. MN Rule 4668.0065 Subp. 3

# **INDICATOR OF COMPLIANCE: #5**

Based on record review and interview, the agency failed to ensure annual infection control training was completed for one of three employees' (A) records reviewed. The findings include:

Employee A was hired May 7, 2008. There was documentation in her personnel file of an infection control in-service class dated October 2004 but nothing since that time.

When interviewed September 24, 2009, employee A stated that she had not done infection control inservice training in the past 12 months.

#### 2. MN Rule 4668.0075 Subp. 4

# **INDICATOR OF COMPLIANCE: #5**

Based on record review and interview, the licensee failed to retain documentation that each employee had completed orientation to home care requirements for two of three employees' (B and C) records reviewed. The findings include:

Employees B and C were hired October 2, 2008 and April 6, 2009, respectively. There was no documentation of orientation to home requirements training in either of the employees personnel files.

When interviewed September 24, 2009, the registered nurse stated that she had provided the training for each of the employees when they were hired. She stated that she orients each new employee individually with the client they are to serve as to the home health aide tasks for that client and the orientation to home care requirements. She showed this reviewer the training material used and it did cover all the components required. The nurse further stated that some of the employees do have verification in their personnel files of the training but she agreed that neither employee B or C had documentation in their files to verify the training.

#### 3. MN Rule 4668.0130 Subp. 3

#### **INDICATOR OF COMPLIANCE: #5**

Based on record review and interview, the licensee failed to ensure that unlicensed persons who performed home health aide tasks successfully completed training and demonstrated competency in the required topics, for two of two unlicensed employees' (B and C) records reviewed. The findings include:

Employees B and C were hired to perform home health aide tasks for client #1 on October 2, 2008, and April 6, 2009, respectively. There was no documentation of training or competency tests in either of their personnel files.

When interviewed September 24, 2009, the registered nurse stated that she had provided training for each of the employees when they were hired. She stated that she trains each new employee individually

with the client they are to serve, as to the home health aide tasks for that client. She showed this reviewer the training material used and it did cover all the components required. She also showed this reviewer a copy of the competency test they must pass. The nurse further stated that some of the employees do have verification in their personnel files of training and completed competency tests but she agreed that neither employee B or C had documentation in their files to verify the training or competency. She stated she would have them redo the competency testing if unable to find the documentation.

When interviewed September 24, 2009, with the help of an interpreter, employee C stated that she had been trained on the tasks for client #1.

# 4. MN Rule 4668.0140 Subp. 1

# **INDICATOR OF COMPLIANCE: #1**

Based on record review and interview, the licensee failed to establish a written service agreement for one of one client's (#1) record reviewed. The findings include:

Client #1 began receiving home care services June 20, 2008. There was no written service agreement in client #1's record either at the agency office or in the clients' home record.

When interviewed September 23, 2009, the registered nurse confirmed they did not have a written service agreement with client #1. She stated that the owner thought the county service agreement and the medical assistance home care service plan were adequate. The nurse had worked in home care previously and she stated that she knew they needed their own individual service agreements with each client.

#### 5. MN Statute §144A.46 Subd. 5(b)

# **INDICATOR OF COMPLIANCE: #3**

Based on record review and interview the licensee failed to complete background study for one of three employees' (A) records reviewed. The findings include:

Employee A was hired May 7, 2008. There was no documentation of a completed background study in her employee file.

When interviewed September 24, 2009, employee A and the owner stated she had definitely completed the background study and passed but neither of them nor the office manager could find the documentation. They stated they would try to get a duplicate copy or would redo the study.

A draft copy of this completed form was faxed to <u>Zainab Abdi, Owner</u>, on <u>September 25, 2009</u>. Any correction order(s) issued as a result of the on-site visit and the final Licensing Survey Form will be sent to the licensee. If you have any questions about the Licensing Survey Form or the survey results, please contact the Minnesota Department of Health, (651) 201-4301. After review, this form will be posted on the MDH website. CLASS A Licensed-only Home Care Provider general information is available by going to the following web address and clicking on the Class A Home Care Provider link:

http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/cms/casemix.html

Regulations can be viewed on the Internet: <u>http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/stats</u> (for MN statutes) <u>http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/arule/</u> (for MN Rules).



Protecting, Maintaining and Improving the Health of Minnesotans

December 4, 2008

Zainab Abdi, Administrator Daalo Home Healthcare LLC 2119 Pillsbury Ave S #302 Minneapolis, MN 55404

Re: Telephone Interview

Dear Mr. Abdi:

The information discussed during a telephone interview conducted by staff of the Minnesota Department of Health, Case Mix Review Program, on November 19, 2008, is summarized in the enclosed documents listed below:

<u>Telephone Interview and Education Assessment form</u> A summary of the items discussed during the phone interview and a listing of the education provided during the interview

<u>Resource Sheet for Home Care Providers</u> A listing of web-sites and documents useful to home care providers in assuring compliance with home care regulations

Please note, it is your responsibility to share the information contained in this letter and the information from this interview with your direct care staff and the President of your facility's Governing Body.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office at (651) 201-4301.

Sincerely,

Jean M. Johnston

Jean Johnston, Program Manager Case Mix Review Program

Enclosure(s)

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# Class A and Class F Home Care Telephone Interview and Education Assessment

Registered nurses from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) use this form to document telephone interviews and education of newly licensed Class F and Class A (licensed only) Home Care Providers as well as other providers who have not been surveyed by Case Mix Review staff.

Licensing requirements listed below were reviewed during a telephone interview. Information from this interview along with other data will be considered when making decisions regarding the timing of an on site survey. The noted topics were discussed during the telephone interview and education was provided in the checked areas.

Name of Home Care Licensee: Daalo Home Healthcare LLC

HFID #: 25748	Type of License: Class A Home Care
Date of Interview: November	r 19, 2008

Interview Topic	Item Discussed	Education Provided
Access to information	Home Care Rules and Statutes	<ul> <li>Web address for Home Care Rules and Statutes was sent (MN Statute §144A and MN Rule 4668)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Web address for Vulnerable Adult Act was sent (MN Statute §626.557)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Web address for Maltreatment of Minors Act was sent (MN Statute §626.556)</li> </ul>
		Board of Nursing web address was sent
		Sent via: <u>E-mail</u>
		Basic Education Provided
Client Needs	Care needs of clients	Home Care licensee is required to have staff sufficient in qualifications and numbers to meet client needs (MN Rule 4668.0050)
		Basic Education Provided



Interview Topic	Item Discussed	<b>Education Provided</b>
Home Care Bill of Rights	Bill of Rights given to clients	Current and appropriate version of home care bill of rights required
		Minnesota Dept. of Health web-site Basic Education Provided
Advertising	Advertising should reflect services provided	<ul><li>Includes all forms of advertising MN Rule 4668.0019</li></ul>
	provided	Basic Education Provided
Unlicensed personnel (ULP) who provide direct care	Training needed for ULP to be qualified to provide direct care	<ul><li>Initial training needed</li><li>MN Rule 4668.0100 Subp. 5 (Class A)</li></ul>
	Ongoing education needed for unlicensed personnel	Competency testing required MN Rule 4668.0130 Subp.3 (Class A)
	personner	Inservice training MN Rule 4668.0100 Subp. 6 (Class A)
		<ul> <li>Ongoing infection control training needed</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0065 Subp. 3</li> </ul>
		Basic Education Provided
Unlicensed personnel (ULP) and medication administration	<ul> <li>Training required</li> <li>Insulin administration by unlicensed personnel</li> </ul>	Difference between medication administration and assistance with medication administration. MN Rule 4668.0003 Subp. 2a and Subp. 21a
		<ul> <li>Medication reminders – a visual or verbal cue only.</li> <li>MN Rule 4668.0003 Subp. 21b</li> </ul>
		ULP limitations with insulin administration MN Rule 4668.0100 Subp. 3 (Class A)
		Prescriber orders required MN Rule 4668.0150 Subp. 3 (Class A)
		Basic Education Provided



Interview Topic	Item Discussed	Education Provided
Role of registered nurse (RN) and licensed practical nurse (LPN)	<ul> <li>Need to verify licenses of nurses</li> <li>RN does assessments</li> <li>LPN does monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Difference between RN and LPN role MN Rule 4668.0180 Subp. 5 (Class A) and Minnesota Nurse Practice Act</li> <li>Points at which RN assessment is needed - Class F requirements</li> <li>RN assessment and change in condition MN Rule 4668.0100 Subp. 9 (Class A)</li> </ul>
Supervision of	Requirements for	<ul> <li>Basic Education Provided</li> <li>RN supervision and LPN monitoring</li> </ul>
unlicensed personnel (ULP)	supervision and monitoring of unlicensed personnel	of unlicensed personnel Timing of supervision and monitoring
		MN Rule 4668.0100 Subp. 9 (Class A)
		Basic Education Provided
Service plan or agreement	<ul> <li>Contents of Service Plan or Agreement</li> <li>Person who prepares service plan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Differentiate between licensee service plan and county service plan</li> <li>Required components of service plan</li> <li>Need to review service plan</li> <li>Basic Education Provided</li> </ul>
		MN Rule 4668.0140 (Class A)
Protection of health, safety and well being of clients	Background studies for all staff	<ul> <li>Background studies not transferable</li> <li>Only DHS background study accepted</li> </ul>
	Assessment of	MN Statute §144A.46 Subd. 5
	vulnerability for all clients	<ul> <li>Plan to address identified vulnerabilities required MN Statute §626.557 Subd. 14b</li> </ul>
		Basic Education Provided
Infection control	Tuberculosis screening prior to direct client contact	System for follow up on TB status after hire MN Rule 4668.0065 Subps. 1 & 2
		Yearly infection control inservice required for all staff including nurses MN Rule 4668.0065 Subp. 3
		Basic Education Provided



Interview Topic	Item Discussed	Education Provided
Assisted Living	Arranged providers for assisted living required to follow 144G	<ul> <li>Uniform Consumer Information Guide must be given to all prospective clients MN Statute 144G.03 Subd. 2b9</li> </ul>
		Basic Education Provided

The data used to complete this form was reviewed with <u>Zang Xiong Office Manager</u> during a telephone interview on <u>November 19, 2008</u>. A copy of this Telephone Interview and Education Assessment form will be sent to the licensee. Any questions about this Telephone Interview and Education Assessment form should be directed to the Minnesota Department of Health, (651) 201-4301. This form will be posted on the MDH web-site. Home care provider general information is available by going to the following web address and clicking on the appropriate home care provider link:

# http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/cms/casemix.html

#### Statutes and rules can be viewed on the internet:

http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/stats - for Minnesota Statutes

http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/arule/ - for Minnesota Rules

