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Department of Human Services

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Representative Daneya Esgar, Chair
Joint Budget Committee
200 E. Colfax Ave.
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Representative Esgar,

The Department is pleased to provide an update on the relocation of the Intermediate Care Facility program, for individuals with an Intellectual Disability (ICF-IID), from the Grand Junction Regional Center Campus.

As we have discussed previously with the Joint Budget Committee, the Department moved administrative and day-program staff members off the campus in 2018.

To date, licensing and inspection requirements have been completed on the existing relicensed homes. This was completed March 16, 2020 in anticipation of a March 31, 2020 move-in date for sixteen of the twenty-four residents still on the Grand Junction Regional Center campus.

The following occurred in regards to the two relicensed existing homes:

- DHS received approval from DPHE for residents to move into the relicensed homes (originally scheduled for March 31, 2020)
- The applications for the two homes to be licensed under ICF/IID has been approved
- Facility Guidelines Institute assessments have been approved.
- Life Safety inspections and the Certificate of Compliance (flooring was completed) was approved.
- DHS will conduct an initial survey 30 days after residents have moved into the homes (this involves gathering policies and procedures)

While the homes are ready, out of an abundance of caution and concern (due to the Novel Coronavirus or COVID 19 pandemic), we have placed moves from the campus, into these relicensed homes on hold, until such time as we can ensure that these transitions can be done with minimal health and safety risk, in these extraordinary times.

Previous updates also outlined that the Department of Human Services (DHS) was working with the Department of Personnel and Administration (DPA) to purchase one additional property for the Grand Junction Regional Center. Since then, the following has occurred in this process in order to complete the move of the final residents from the Grand Junction Regional Center campus:

- DHS has entered into an interagency agreement to define legal ownership, operations, and maintenance responsibilities for each Department in the purchase of property



- DHS has started the assessment process of the land and is completing the necessary work to obtain the contract and title on the property. (This was also placed on hold due to COVID 19 as travel guidelines and social and physical distancing made this a challenge).

We would be happy to answer any questions that the JBC has about our plans for moving off the GJRC campus.

Sincerely,

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