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Debra Adamus Lutheran Social Services Genesis House 1002 Motor Ave. Waukesha, WI 53186

Dear Debra,

I am writing at your request to discuss the need for additional substance use disorder treatment options in Waukesha County. There is only one provider in Waukesha County offering medically monitored residential substance use treatment (DHS 75.11) and no transitional residential substance use services (DHS 75.14) for females. We frequently contract with out-of-county providers to meet these needs for our residents. The best clinical practice for most patients needing this type of service is placement within their county of residence. This allows them to develop local support, establish long-term employment, maintain contact with their family, and make a more gradual and supported transition back to their home environment. Purchasing services from within the county also supports local businesses in the community.

Roger's Hospital is the only provider filling the need for medically monitored treatment services. The Lutheran Social Services Genesis House program is currently the only provider servicing the transitional residential needs for males in Waukesha County. At this time, there are no providers filling this need for females within our county. As such, we support the creation of additional residential treatment options for our county residents. Feel free to contact me with any questions or if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

John Kettler, MS, CSAC, LPC, ICS

Human Services Supervisor