

Date: December 12, 2016

Subject: SB 1515 Report – Partial Q4 2016

Time Period: CCA/CCP Abuse Reports Closed from October 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016

Summary: 12 OAAP I investigations with 27 substantiated allegations

Note:

- Reports beginning with ‘CCP’ were investigated using the pre-SB 1515 abuse definitions and standard of proof for substantiation (preponderance of the evidence).
- Reports beginning with ‘CCA’ were investigated using the post-SB 1515 abuse definitions and standard of proof for substantiation (reasonable basis to believe abuse occurred).

Report # Allegation # (substantiated)	Provider	Approximate date abuse occurred	Nature of abuse and brief narrative	Did physical injury, sexual abuse or death result?	Corrective actions taken or ordered by the department, and outcome
CCP16001 Allegation 1	Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Inc. (GOBHI)	12/24/15	One allegation of Maltreatment as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (12) was substantiated because a proctor foster parent used derogatory language to describe a child	No	GOBHI terminated their certification of the foster parent who is identified as the perpetrator of maltreatment in the report, and she is no longer affiliated with GOBHI. No further action by DHS regarding this report.

			receiving care from the program in communications to which the child had access.		
CCP16131 Allegation 1	Eastern Oregon Academy	4/8/16	One allegation of Maltreatment as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (12) was substantiated, because a staff member placed a child receiving care from the program in an improper physical restraint, resulting in scratches and abrasions to the child.	Yes	Upon learning of the reported maltreatment, Eastern Oregon Academy (EOA) terminated the employment of the identified perpetrator, and he is no longer affiliated with Eastern Oregon Academy. DHS has worked extensively with EOA toward improving EOA's recruitment, hiring, training and supervision of qualified and appropriate care-givers, including but not limited to the issuance of a licensing condition wherein EOA was required to seek outside

					consultation on the topic and report to DHS on the outcome of the consultation and planned improvements. These efforts were not entirely unsuccessful, but due to on-going concerns about the program and other incidents of substantiated abuse, DHS recently issued a notice of intent to revoke EOA's license to operate as a child-caring agency and is in the process of finding alternative placements for the few youth who remain in care at EOA at this time.
CCP16238 Allegation 1 Allegation 2	Eastern Oregon Academy	4/1/16	Two allegations of Negligent treatment as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (14) were substantiated for an incident	No	When allegations about the employee identified as the perpetrator in the report became known to EOA, the employee was placed on administrative leave. Her employment

			<p>involving two children receiving care from the program, in which a staff member was determined to have taken the children off-site and provided them with cigarettes and a narcotic medication, which they ingested.</p>		<p>ended shortly thereafter and she is no longer affiliated with EOA. . DHS has worked extensively with EOA toward improving EOA's recruitment, hiring, training and supervision of qualified and appropriate care-givers, including but not limited to the issuance of a licensing condition wherein EOA was required to seek outside consultation on the topic and report to DHS on the outcome of the consultation and planned improvements. These efforts were not entirely unsuccessful, but due to on-going concerns about the program and other incidents of substantiated abuse, DHS recently issued a notice of intent</p>
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CCP15079 Allegation 1 Allegation 2 Allegation 3	Eastern Oregon Academy	Various dates, 2015	One allegation of Sexual Abuse as defined in OAR 407-045-0820(d), and two allegations of Negligent treatment as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (14) were substantiated for incidents involving three children receiving care from the program. The first allegation was substantiated because a staff member engaged	No	EOA terminated the employment of the individual identified as the perpetrator in the report approximately two months before becoming aware of the allegations in the report. DHS has worked extensively with EOA toward improving EOA's recruitment, hiring, training and supervision of qualified and appropriate care-givers, including but not limited to the issuance of a licensing condition wherein EOA was required to seek outside

			in sexual activity with a child. The second and third allegations were substantiated because the same staff member helped two children leave the facility on several occasions to engage in drug and alcohol use and criminal activity.		consultation on the topic and report to DHS on the outcome of the consultation and planned improvements. These efforts were not entirely unsuccessful, but due to on-going concerns about the program and other incidents of substantiated abuse, DHS recently issued a notice of intent to revoke EOA's license to operate as a child-caring agency and is in the process of finding alternative placements for the few youth who remain in care at EOA at this time.
CCA160110 Allegation 1	Trillium – Children's Farm Home	8/15/16	One allegation of Neglect as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (1)(e)(a) was substantiated because a staff member failed to	Yes	DHS personnel made an unannounced visit to the Farm Home shortly after learning of the incident, and DHS has continued to visit the program on a frequent basis in

			<p>respond appropriately to suicidal ideation and self-harming behavior by a child receiving care from the program. The child attempted suicide, was hospitalized and later pronounced brain dead and removed from life support.</p>		<p>coordination with the Oregon Health Authority to monitor the safety and well-being of youth. A few days after the incident DHS imposed a number of licensing conditions, including but not limited to a restriction on new admissions and a requirement for suicide risk assessments to be completed for all youth in care at the Farm Home. Since that time the conditions have been incrementally withdrawn as the program has made improvements and tightened protocols designed to prevent youth from harming themselves. DHS continues to coordinate frequent site visits to monitor child safety,</p>
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					provide technical assistance, address concerns and support the program's ongoing efforts toward further improvement. The employee identified as the perpetrator of neglect in the report was placed on administrative leave following the incident and later terminated from employment at the Farm Home.
CCP16130 Allegation 1 Allegation 2 Allegation 3 Allegation 4 Allegation 5 Allegation 6 Allegation 7 Allegation 8	Chehalem Youth & Family Services	3/25/16	Eight allegations of Negligent treatment as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (14) were substantiated because the program as a whole, and one identified staff member in particular, neglected four	No	At the time of the incident DHS was working closely with Chehalem to support the program's efforts toward improvement, and a number of corrective actions had been issued following an unannounced visit to the program in January. Ultimately the corrective actions and other



			children receiving care from the program. The staff person fell asleep for several hours while providing overnight supervision to the children, placing them at risk, and the program had knowledge of the potential for problems due to staffing patterns and prior issues with the staff member.		measures employed by DHS did not result in significant improvements to the program. In June 2016 DHS issued a notice of intent to revoke Chehalem's license to operate as a child caring agency and began finding alternative placements for the children placed at Chehalem at the time of the notice. As of August 8, 2016, no children remained in care at Chehalem, and Chehalem has since voluntarily relinquished its child-caring agency license.
CCA160167 Allegation 1 Allegation 2	Eastern Oregon Academy	9/12/16	Verbal abuse as defined in OAR 407-045-0820(1)(h) was substantiated, because a staff member made threatening comments to a	No	The employee identified as the perpetrator of verbal and physical abuse in the report was immediately terminated from employment when EOA became aware of the allegations. DHS has

			<p>child receiving care from the program. Physical abuse as defined in OAR 407-045-0820(1)(f)(B) was also substantiated, because the same staff member pushed or shoved the same child after the staff's verbal provocations led to a physical reaction by the child. The child sustained no physical injury.</p>		<p>worked extensively with EOA toward improving EOA's recruitment, hiring, training and supervision of qualified and appropriate care-givers, including but not limited to the issuance of a licensing condition wherein EOA was required to seek outside consultation on the topic and report to DHS on the outcome of the consultation and planned improvements. These efforts were not entirely unsuccessful, but due to on-going concerns about the program and other incidents of substantiated abuse, DHS recently issued a notice of intent to revoke EOA's license to operate as a child-caring agency and is in the process of finding</p>
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					alternative placements for the few youth who remain in care at EOA at this time.
CCA160170 Allegation 1 Allegation 2	Family Solutions	10/6/16	Two allegations of Neglect as defined in OAR 407-045-0820(1)(e)(A) and (B) were substantiated, because two staff members engaged in an inappropriate prank against a child receiving care from the program, which went against the intent and goals of the child's care plan and resulted in emotional harm to the child.	No	The two employees identified as perpetrators of neglect in the report were placed on administrative leave when Family Solutions learned of the allegations. When Family Solutions was informed that the allegations were substantiated, both individuals were terminated from employment and are no longer affiliated with Family Solutions. No further action by DHS regarding this report.
CCP16048 Allegation 1	Catholic Community	3/7/16	One allegation of Maltreatment as	Yes	Shortly after Catholic Community Services

	<p>Services of Mid-Willamette Valley</p>		<p>defined in OAR 407-045-0820(12) was substantiated, because a proctor foster parent used derogatory language in a public place to a child receiving care from the program and stepped on the child's foot, causing pain.</p>	<p>became aware of the allegations, the children in the care of the foster parent identified as the perpetrator in the report were moved to other foster homes, and no other foster children were placed in the care of the identified foster parent while the Department's investigation was being conducted. When Catholic Community Services was informed that the allegations were substantiated, the foster parent's certification was terminated, and he is no longer affiliated with Catholic Community Services. No further action by DHS regarding this report.</p>
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<p>CCP16165  Allegation 1  Allegation 2  Allegation 3</p>	<p>Chehalem  Youth &amp; Family  Services</p>	<p>5/3/16</p>	<p>Three allegations of Negligent treatment as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (14) were substantiated, one each for three children receiving care from the program, because the program failed to provide adequate supervision. As a result the three children were able to leave the facility for 12 or more hours and engage in sexual and criminal activity, resulting in the arrest of one of them. In addition, their absence from the program was</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>At the time of this Incident DHS was working closely with Chehalem to address on-going concerns about the program's ability to effectively serve and care for the children placed with them. Ultimately the corrective actions and other measures employed by DHS did not result in significant improvements to the program. In June 2016 DHS issued a notice of intent to revoke Chehalem's license to operate as a child caring agency and began finding alternative placements for the children placed at Chehalem at the time of the notice. As of August 8, 2016, no children remained in care at Chehalem, and Chehalem</p>
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			not documented or reported to authorities in a timely manner.		has since voluntarily relinquished its child-caring agency license.
CCA160142 Allegation 1 Allegation 2	The Salvation Army – White Shield Center	8/23/16	Two allegations of Neglect as defined in OAR 407-045-0820 (1)(e)(A) were substantiated, one each for two children receiving care from the program, because a staff member failed to provide adequate supervision. As a result, one child who was on regular checks for suicidal ideation was able to leave the facility unnoticed and obtain alcohol. The other child was able to leave	No	Shortly after becoming aware of the allegations of neglect perpetrated by the employee identified in the report, Salvation Army White Shield terminated the employment of the identified perpetrator. The investigation report indicates that the employee had been properly trained on supervision protocols when hired and had been retrained not long before the incident. The employee simply failed to adhere to the protocol. No further action by DHS regarding this report.

			unnoticed and make contact with an adult with whom they are not supposed to have contact.		
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