

TENNCARE REPORT

Life Care Center of Morristown
Morristown, Tennessee

Depreciation Expense for the Period
January 1, 2010, Through December 31, 2010,
Resident Days for the Period
January 1, 2009, Through June 30, 2011,
and Resident Accounts for the Period
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Nashville, Tennessee 37243

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Mr. Darin Gordon, Deputy Commissioner
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Section 71-5-130, *Tennessee Code Annotated*, and a cooperative agreement between the Comptroller of the Treasury and the Department of Finance and Administration, the Division of State Audit performs examinations of nursing facilities participating in the Tennessee Medical Assistance Program under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid).

Submitted herewith is the report of the limited scope examination of the depreciation expense reported on the Medicaid cost report of Life Care Center of Morristown, Morristown, Tennessee, for the period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010; resident days for the period January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011; and resident accounts for the period January 1, 2009, through October 26, 2011.

Sincerely,

Arthur A. Hayes, Jr., CPA
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INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY OF THE EXAMINATION

The terms of contract between the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration and the Tennessee Comptroller's office authorize the Comptroller of the Treasury to perform examinations of nursing facilities that participate in the Tennessee Medicaid Nursing Facility Program.

Under their agreements with the state and as stated on cost reports submitted to the state, participating nursing facilities have asserted that they are in compliance with the applicable state and federal regulations covering services provided to Medicaid-eligible recipients. The purpose of our examination is to render an opinion on the nursing facilities' assertions that they are in compliance with such requirements.

BACKGROUND

To receive services under the Medicaid Nursing Facility Program, a recipient must meet Medicaid eligibility requirements under one of the coverage groups included in the *State Plan for Medical Assistance*. The need for nursing care is not in itself sufficient to establish eligibility. Additionally, a physician must certify that recipients need nursing facility care before they can be admitted to a facility. Once a recipient is admitted, a physician must certify periodically that continued nursing care is required. The number of days of coverage available to recipients in a nursing facility is not limited.

The Medicaid Nursing Facility Program provides for nursing services on two levels of care. Level I Nursing Facility (NF-1) services are provided to recipients who do not require an intensive degree of care. Level II Nursing Facility (NF-2) services, which must be under the direct supervision of licensed nursing personnel and under the general direction of a physician, represent a higher degree of care.

Life Care Center of Morristown, Morristown, Tennessee, provides both NF-1 and NF-2 services. The facility is owned and operated by Life Care Centers of America. The officers/members of the board of directors are as follows:

Forrest L. Preston, Chairman/CEO
 Beecher Hunter
 JoAnna J. Crooks
 J. Stephen Ziegler
 Cindy S. Cross
 Joan E. Thurmond
 Terry Henry
 Richard L. Swanker
 John F. McMullan
 Dr. Kenneth L. Scott

During the examination period of January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, the facility maintained a total of 161 licensed nursing facility beds. The Division of Quality Assurance of the Department of Health licensed the facility for these beds. Eligible recipients receive services through an agreement with the Department of Health. Of the 58,765 available bed days, the facility reported 29,825 for Medicaid NF-1 residents for the year ended December 31, 2010. Also, the facility reported total operating expenses of \$10,222,829 for the period.

The Division of Quality Assurance inspected the quality of the facility’s physical plant, professional staff, and resident services. The nursing facility met the required standards.

The following Medicaid reimbursable rates were in effect for the period covered by this examination:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Level I NF (744-0218)</u>	<u>Level II NF (044-5314)</u>
July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009	\$141.76	\$140.10
July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010	\$145.25	\$140.10
July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011	\$162.75	\$177.66
July 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011	\$162.73	\$177.64

PRIOR EXAMINATION FINDINGS

The facility has not been examined within the past five years.

SCOPE OF THE EXAMINATION

Our examination covers certain financial-related requirements of the Medicaid Nursing Facility Program. The requirements covered are referred to under management's assertions specified later in the Independent Accountant's report. Our examination does not cover quality of care, clinical, or medical provisions.



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Independent Accountant's Report

October 27, 2011

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have examined management's assertions, included in its representation letter dated October 27, 2011, that Life Care Center of Morristown complied with the following requirements:

- Depreciation expense reported on the "Medicaid Nursing Facility Level 1 Cost Report" for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, was in accordance with federal regulations.
- Resident days reported on the Medicaid cost report have been counted in accordance with state regulations. Medicaid resident days billed to the state from January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, when residents were hospitalized or on therapeutic leave are in accordance with the bed hold rules.
- Charges to residents' personal funds from January 1, 2009, through October 26, 2011, are in accordance with state and federal regulations.

As discussed in management's representation letter, management is responsible for ensuring compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

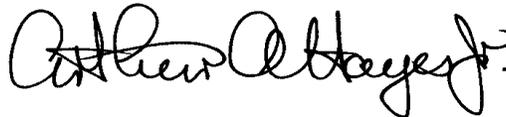
Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and accordingly, included examining on a test basis, evidence about Life Care Center of Morristown's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary under the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on Life Care Center of Morristown's compliance with specified requirements.

Our examination disclosed no instances of material exceptions.

In our opinion, Life Care Center of Morristown complied with, in all material respects, the aforementioned requirements for depreciation expense reported on the cost report for the period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010; resident days reported on the cost report for the period January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011; and for resident accounts for the period January 1, 2009, through October 26, 2011.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Tennessee General Assembly and the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arthur A. Hayes, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A' and a distinct 'H'.

Arthur A. Hayes, Jr., CPA
Director

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