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Never mind my email, I realize I got Josiah and Isiah confused again.

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Dear Belit,

This letter is in response to an email I read this afternoon, November 20, 2023, from Scott Sleeman, the Steering Committee Leader at OIS Community Supports - Alternative Services of Oregon (OIS/ASI). The email conveyed concerns about applying the crisis-level OIS philosophy at Dynamic Life, which has led to some confusion.

The correspondence from OIS/ASI implies that I have been teaching staff members at Dynamic Life who work with children how to use Restraints/PPIs without the children having a Positive Behavior Support Plan (PBSP). I must admit that this claim is valid. However, I understood that Dynamic Life had received the necessary permissions from DHS to conduct such practices. OIS/ASI has clarified that neither OIS nor the Oregon Department of Developmental Disabilities (ODDS) endorse these practices outside Oregon Statute regulations. This contrasts with my understanding of Dynamic Life's approved practices. Earlier this year, I thought you and I had established with DHS that Dynamic Life could apply the crisis-level philosophy of Oregon Intervention Systems for emergency restraints solely in temporary lodging (prevention). I understood that we had obtained approval for Dynamic Life to utilize these emergency restraints within the Oregon Intervention Systems' crisis philosophy framework. I thought it was approved that this training was not confined to programs licensed for developmental disability only, and Dynamic Life was permitted to use Crises PPIs in emergencies.

In tomorrow's meeting with OIS/ASI, I would like to explain that our contract administrator arranged for me to provide crisis-level training because OIS Community Supports is a DHS-funded initiative. Therefore, I was told that DHS owns both the contract and the philosophy. Furthermore, Dynamic Life's use of restraints was approved by DHS.

I also desire to inform OIS that, based on my discussions with the DHS contract administrator, I was under the impression that DHS had secured prior approval for this application of the crisis-level restraint philosophy.

There seems to be a misunderstanding with ASI/OIS regarding Dynamic Life's use of the Oregon Intervention Systems in temporary lodging (prevention) situations, as it does not receive funding from ODDS. I respect the standards set by ODDS and the OIS steering

committee and have no intention of violating them. However, there is undoubtedly a misinterpretation of the emergency restraints Dynamic Life is allowed to use. I am prepared to attend the OIS-SC meeting tomorrow to address this issue. OIS/ASI has requested my presence at a meeting tomorrow at 2:00 pm. During this meeting, I aim to clarify that Dynamic Life, despite not being licensed by DD, has received approval to implement OIS crisis-level emergency restraints. The children served by Dynamic Life typically do not have behavior support plans or approved PPI/restraints because they are not typically in ODDS services. I also feel it is critical to acknowledge that often, when a child enters our program and needs a functional behavioral assessment and positive behavior support plan, they frequently leave the program before completing the functional behavioral assessment. Hence, it's not unusual for us not to encounter behavior support plans, even if the children are engaged with DD services. I want to assure them that Dynamic Life has obtained the necessary approval from DHS to utilize the Oregon Intervention Systems at a crisis level, strictly for emergencies only.

This is the Zoom Meeting link for the 2:00 PM meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89993650701?pwd=MGEvWHprVTkwTy9rSDBaMm5Mc2Q0UT09>

Any help with conveying this clearly to ASI/OIS would be helpful,
Respectfully,

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“Assume positive intent, for people will remember not your words nor deeds, but the way you made them feel; and while it's easy to criticize and condemn, it takes true character and self-control to be understanding and forgiving, and to focus on the present moment, rather than the future beyond our control.”

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On Mon, Nov 20, 2023, 9:06 AM Scott Sleeman <ssleeman@asioregon.org> wrote:

Hello Corey,

I was contacted by ODDS this weekend stating you have been training staff working with children, via maybe Dynamic Life, in PPIs without the children having a PBSP. This is not authorized by OIS or ODDS and is outside of the Oregon Statute regulations. This will stop immediately. In addition, any staff that have received crisis leveling training without a PBSP are not authorized to perform those OIS PPIs on any children.

I am requesting that you attend tomorrow's OIS-SC meeting to explain this issue. Please confirm you can attend via Zoom, and I will have Sheril send you the link. The time would be approximately 2:00.

Thank You

Scott Sleeman MA, NADD-CC, CCTP

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