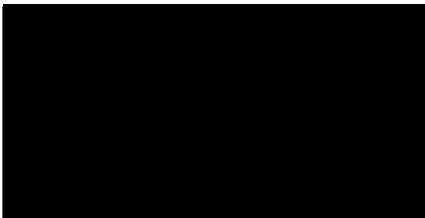


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PETITIONER,

Vs.

CASE NO.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
CIRCUIT: 12 Sarasota
UNIT: AHCA

RESPONDENT.

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FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to notice, the undersigned convened an administrative hearing in the above-referenced matter on April 28, 2014 at 10:25 a.m. in Sarasota, Florida. One continuance was granted to the petitioner. [REDACTED] ("CR", "ER" and "petitioners") were not present and were represented by their mother, [REDACTED] who testified. Petitioners presented one witness: Linda Randall, caregiver, with CSI, Inc.

The respondent was represented by Patricia Brooks, Area 8 Program Administrator with the Agency for Health Care Administration (hereafter "AHCA" or "Agency" or "respondent"). Ms. Brooks testified. Respondent presented one witness: Elyn Theophilopoulos, M.D., physician reviewer from EQHealth Solutions. Dr. Theophilopoulos testified.

The issue is whether the respondent's denial of petitioners' request for twenty-four (24) hours of personal care assistance (PCA) is correct. The PCA hours are to be

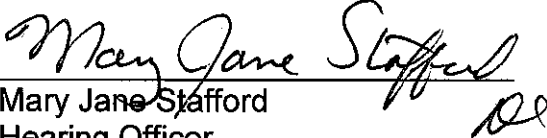
shared by the petitioners and are for hours when they are not in school. The respondent approved four (4) hours, seven (7) days per week of shared PCA hours.

While on the record, the parties agreed the respondent would approve the following for petitioners: eight (8) hours, seven (7) days per week of shared PCA hours. That include non-school days and weekends. The approved PCA hours are for ER's certification period of March 13, 2014 through July 14, 2014 and the approved PCA hours for CR's certification period of March 13, 2014 through May 20, 2014.

The record was left open until May 2, 2014, to allow the respondent to provide approval notices indicating it approved petitioners' requested amount of shared personal care assistance hours. To the date of this order, the respondent has not provided the approval notices.

Therefore, it is ORDERED that matter be GRANTED pursuant to the parties' verbal agreement as set forth herein.

DONE and ORDERED this 14th day of May, 2014,
in Tallahassee, Florida.


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