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DIRECTOR

08/22/2025

Madelynn Whited
Kimball Camp
4502 Berlin Dr.
Reading, MI 49274

RE: License #: CR300200634 and SR300200078
Investigation #: 2025C0448001
Kimball Camp

Dear Madelynn Whited:

Attached is the Special Investigation Report for the above-mentioned facility. Due to the violations identified in the report, a written corrective action plan is required. The corrective action plan is due 15 days from the date of this letter and must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- Signed and dated corrective action plan.

If you desire technical assistance in addressing these issues, please feel free to contact me. In any event, the corrective action plan is due within 15 days. Failure to submit an acceptable corrective action plan will result in disciplinary action.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. If I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the licensing unit at 517-284-9730.

Sincerely,

Crystal Smith, Licensing Consultant
Camp Licensing Unit
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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF
LIFELONG EDUCATION, ADVANCEMENT, AND POTENTIAL
CAMP LICENSING UNIT
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	CR300200634 and SR300200078
Investigation #:	2025C0448001
Complaint Receipt Date:	07/01/2025
Investigation Initiation Date:	07/02/2025
Report Due Date:	08/25/2025
Licensee Name:	Madelynn Whited
Licensee Address:	4502 Berlin Dr. Reading, MI 49274
Licensee Telephone #:	517-283-2168
Name of Camp:	Kimball Camp
Camp Address:	4502 Berlin Dr. Reading, MI 49274
Camp Telephone #:	517-283-2168
License Status:	Regular
Effective Date:	08/14/2024
Expiration Date:	08/13/2026
Capacity:	190
Camp License Type:	Residential

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
Camp operator did not follow the authorized person's camper health requirements.	Yes
Additional Findings	No

III. METHODOLOGY

07/01/2025	Special Investigation Intake 2025C0448001
07/02/2025	Special Investigation Initiated – Telephone
07/02/2025	Contact – Document Received
07/07/2025	Inspection Completed On-site
07/14/2025	Contact – in person
07/18/2025	Contact – telephone
08/22/2025	Inspection Completed-BCAL Sub. Compliance
08/22/2025	Corrective action plan requested and due on 09/06/2025
08/22/2025	Exit Conference

IV. INVESTIGATION AND FINDINGS

ALLEGATION:

Camp operator did not follow the authorized person's camper health requirements.

INVESTIGATION:

On 07/01/2025, a BCAL Online Complaint was received and read in part *Camper A is very allergic to almonds and tree nuts. Today a staff member allowed Camper A to pick out a candy bar from the goody bag. Camper A got and ate a candy bar with nuts. Camper A was given Benadryl and then had to be seen for medical attention.*

On 07/02/2025, I spoke with the executive director/health officer Madelynn Whited on the telephone. I requested a copy of Camper A's medical form, registration form, and the camp's health service policy which was sent to me via email the same day.

On 07/07/2025, I interviewed with the executive director/health officer Madelynn Whited and the program director/health officer Darrell Bryant, III at the camp. Madelynn and Darrell both stated that Camper A was visiting the Candy Store and did not have sufficient funds on his account to purchase something. When this happens, camp allows the campers to pick between a candy bar and popsicles. Madelynn and Darrell were both aware of Camper A's allergies. Darrell stated that he reminded Camper A to read the candy label to ensure the known allergy

ingredients were not present. Camper A replied, “I know, just like last year”, and left with a wafer crisp candy bar. About ten minutes later Camper A’s counselor came up to Darrell and informed him that Camper A ate a candy bar with tree nuts. Darrell double checked the wrapper and saw that almonds were listed on the packaging. At this point Camper A was taken to the health office and given two oral Benadryl tablets. The camper’s guardians were called as the camper’s symptoms increased. 911 was called as his condition continued to deteriorate and the camper’s epi-pen was not on-site at camp. Reading EMS was dispatched, and Madelynn rode to Hillsdale Hospital with Camper A and stayed with the camper until the guardians arrived. Camper A was stable and being monitored when Madelynn left the hospital. Darrell stated they have a new policy in place for Camper A to ensure this will not happen again.

On 07/14/2025, I spoke with Madelynn at the camp. I asked Madelynn about the check-in process of medication during the day camp. Madelynn informed me of the procedures and shared Camper A’s information sheet. The one-sided information sheet did not state the epi-pen in the medication section but was noted on the form in the allergies section and description of allergies. Check-in staff did not ask for the epi-pen since it was not listed in the medication section of the form. The epi-pen was later found within Camper A’s vehicle and believes it fell out of their backpack prior to arriving at camp.

On 07/16/2025, CPS-MIC Specialist Ashley Plumb contacted the guardians of Camper A. The guardians acknowledged the incident that occurred at camp with Camper A. The conversation included discussions about the incident and guardians spoke openly.

On 07/18/2025, I listened to the interview on telephone of Camper A by CPS-MIC Specialist Ashley Plumb. Camper A was able to identify bodily symptoms and reactions that have happened two times before after ingesting nuts. Camper A spoke openly about the situation that occurred at camp and that their guardians placed the allergy on the paperwork. Camper A stated they went to the camp store to purchase something, and the options were a candy bar and an icy, so they chose a candy bar. Camper A stated they ate the candy bar and a few minutes later they felt weird. They asked a staff member to check if it had tree nuts, but an external label was covering the “may contain” label that they did not see the first time they looked at the label. Camper A identified Darrell as the staff member running the candy shop and that Darrell did not double check the candy bar label, but did say something to Camper A about checking the label. Camper A also stated that their guardian had forgotten their Epi-pen and did not provide it to the camp. Camper A stated that Madelyn called their guardians, gave them medicine and then called an ambulance. Camper A was taken to the hospital to get checked out. Safety planning was discussed with Camper A about steps taken since the incident in which Camper A stated that the camp staff will check all labels before, they can eat anything.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.11127	**Camper health requirements**
	(5) A camp shall follow any instructions provided by a camper's physician or authorized person to meet the health and behavior needs of a camper admitted to the camp.
ANALYSIS:	Camper A was allowed to choose a snack that included tree nuts. The camp staff did not follow the instructions provided by the guardian resulting in Camper A requiring hospitalization.
CONCLUSION:	**VIOLATION ESTABLISHED**

On 08/22/2025, I conducted an exit conference with Madelynn Whited. I reviewed the findings of this report. Madelynn Whited stated they understand and camp is being more cautious and thorough with allergies.

V. RECOMMENDATION

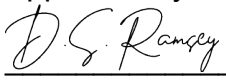
Upon submission of an acceptable written corrective action plan, I recommend no change in licensing status.



8/22/2025

Crystal Smith — Date
Licensing Consultant

Approved By:



08/20/2025

Deondra Ramsey, Manager — Date
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