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AGENDA ITEM #6 (3)
05/15/2023

Ann Marie Winter, Executive Director
Area Aging on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas County
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St. Petersburg, FL 33702

Dear Ms. Winter,

After careful and serious review of the new mandates and requirements that will be imposed by the AAAPP for CARES CCE, ADI and HCE Case Management and Case Aide services effective July 1, 2023, Community Aging and Retirement Services, dba CARES Board of Directors has unanimously concluded rescinding CARES application for FY 2023-2024.

Furthermore, CARES has not taken this lightly and has conducted its due diligence prior coming to this conclusion. The AAAPP NEW mandates are not reasonable, attainable, and/or sustainable. We cannot setup CARES and the Case Management Team for failure, while dealing with legislative mandates for the number of referrals the AAAPP-ADRC and DCFS-Adult Protective Services referred to CARES and expect CARES to assess and enroll in services without proper funding allocations.

Please consider this letter as Community Aging and Retirement Services dba CARES notice to withdrawal the FY 2023-2024 RFP application. We will complete all Case Management and Case Aide duties as outlined on CARES 2022-2023 Contract. As soon as a new agency is secured, we will notify all clients and caregivers of the non-disruption in services and a smooth transition of the Case Management activities.

In conclusion, CARES will ensure that no clients and caregivers will go without services and much needed care while this transition is concluded.

Sincerely yours,



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