

STATE OF ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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June 30, 2021

Mr. John Hollman Clerk of the House 420 State House Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Mr. Hollman:

The Department of Veterans' Affairs Act (20 ILCS 2805/2.07), pursuant to Public Act 85-834, effective September 24, 1987, directs the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) to report to the General Assembly on:

- the number of staff employed in providing direct patient care at our state veterans' homes (Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Veteran Nursing Assistants-Certified).
- the compliance or non-compliance with staffing standards established by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for such care; and
- in the event of non-compliance with such standards, the number of staff required for compliance.

During this reporting period, January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 each of the Homes performed as follows:

- Illinois Veterans' Home at Anna employed 45 direct care staff and was in compliance with the USDVA staffing standards.
- Illinois Veterans' Home at LaSalle employed 122.5 direct care staff and was in compliance with the USDVA staffing standards.
- Illinois Veterans' Home at Manteno employed 182.5 direct care staff and was in compliance with the USDVA staffing standards.
- Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy employed 237 direct care staff and was in compliance with the USDVA staffing standards.

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This letter constitutes IDVA's confirmation that each of the Illinois Veterans' Homes had sufficient staff to provide the USDVA-required 2.5 hours of care per day and did not require additional staff to meet the standard.

The Department will continue to provide the highest level of service to the maximum number of eligible veterans possible and is working within budgetary constraints toward meeting the State increased hours of care requirement in our Homes.

We trust this reporting is acceptable and fulfills the requirement.

Sincerely.

Terry Prince

Attachment: IVH Direct Care Hours and Staffing Report

cc: Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

Clayton Klenke, Director COGFA Research Unit