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Statement from Familylinks, Inc.

Familylinks has provided clinical and social services to the most vulnerable members of our community for over fifty years. More than 8,000 families, children and individuals depend upon our services annually. With that in mind, Familylinks is deeply concerned about allegations made against a former employee of its Youth Emergency Shelter program and has been fully cooperating with the investigation. Familylinks' Youth Emergency Shelters provide housing for upwards of 150 teenage clients each year, and are in compliance with all regulatory bodies that govern this type of facility.

Familylinks respects and honors both clients' and employees' rights to confidentiality and privacy. We have an unwavering commitment to providing the most professional, compassionate and responsible care and treatment of our clients. Although Familylinks cannot comment on this specific allegation due to confidentiality concerns with regard to the individuals involved, we take our responsibility to our clients very seriously.

Because we are committed to protecting the safety, health and well-being of all clients and employees in our workplace, Familylinks maintains the strictest of hiring practices, requiring ChildLine abuse clearance and criminal history checks of all employees. We also perform drug and alcohol testing at time of hire and randomly thereafter.

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