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December 8, 2020

Rick Lowe, Chief Internal Auditor Office of Internal Audit Services George W. Romney Building 111 South Capitol Avenue, 8th Floor Lansing, Michigan 48913

Dear Mr. Lowe:

In accordance with the State of Michigan, Financial Management Guide, Part VII, attached are the summary table identifying our responses and corrective action plans to address recommendations contained within the Office of the Auditor General's Performance Audit of Walter P. Reuther Psychiatric Hospital.

Questions regarding the summary table or corrective action plans should be directed to me at 517-241-4237 or MyersP3@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

Pam Myers

Pam Myers, Director Bureau of Audit

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Enclosure

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PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF 2020 OAG WALTER REUTHER FOLLOW-UP

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

AUDIT RESPONSE

Approved: Such a. Hanley

Farah A. Hanley, Senior Deputy Director Department of Health and Human Services

Date:_12/09/20



AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY

DEPARTMENT: Mental Health, Substance Abuse

AUDIT PERIOD: October 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019

REPORT DATED: April 28, 2020

DISPOSITION OF AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS

CITATIONS COMPLIED WITH	CITATIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH	CITATIONS DHHS DID NOT AGREE WITH
Finding 1		
Finding 4		

Audit Response

Performance Audit

2020 OAG Walter Reuther Follow-up

Department of Health and Human Services October 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019

Recommendation 1: Finding #1 – WRPH should track and minimize direct care nursing staff overtime

We recommend that WRPH continue to pursue additional strategies to mitigate overtime.

Response

WRPH continues to pursue strategies to mitigate overtime within the constraints of available staffing and union contracts.

Recommendation 4: Finding #4 - Improved controls needed over keys

We recommend that WRPH continue to improve controls over its keys and strengthen controls over its badge access system.

Response

Tracking of all keys and badge deactivation monitoring has been moved to the administrative office. In addition, the administrative office has implemented several new processes for new employee key issuance, protocols for key changes when an employee moves to a new position, keys that are damaged and need replacement, and finally for when an employee leaves WRPH employment.

Safety staff are beginning key ring audits and any findings will be reported to the Environment of Care Committee and Executive Staff Committee on a quarterly basis.