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## Notice of Incident

Date of Incident: 12/4/2021

Date Reported to DCCECE: 12/30/2021

Agency Name: Youth Home

Agency Number: 128

Type of Facility: PRTF Facility License Type: Regular

Type of Incident: Suicidal/Threatening behavior

Incident Description: Client was playing football outside with peers and began to have issues bickering with them. This ended up with client going towards a peer and attempting to attack this peer. Staff did a high level hold and brought him back to the house. On the way to the house client was yelling and cursing at staff. Client also tried to knock staff against the walls of the house during the restraint before entering the house. Once in the house client was taken to seclusion room. Whilst entering seclusion room client threw both his tennis shoes at staff. While in seclusion room client began to make suicidal comments. Staff saw that client was trying to tie a string around his neck. Locked seclusion ended at this time as staff unlocked the door to intervene. Staff retrieved the string. Staff locked the door after taking strings from him. At this time client tried to use socks to choke himself. He then tried to do the same with his pants. Staff intervened and took items away from client. After client calmed down staff processed with client about needing to be around peers that client gets along with.

Agency's Interim Corrective Action: Client was placed in seclusion room. Items client attempted to harm himself were retrieved.

Licensing Specialist Assigned: C. DeBoer Licensing Supervisor Assigned: A. Clowers

<u>Child Abuse Hotline</u> (Only applies to maltreatment incidents)

Was the Hotline Called: N/A Was it accepted? Outcome: Client calmed down and

processed incident with staff. **Assigned Investigator:** N/A

Date of DCCECE's Follow-up: 12/30/2021 Type of Follow-up: Email. Visit 1/4/22.

Details from Follow-up: Staff report that client has been doing well and continues to reside at facility. Video footage reviewed of incident which occurred 12/4/21 starting at 5:00PM at Chestnut House (PRTF). Camera footage shows client being brought in by two staff and placed in seclusion room. Several times throughout seclusion client uses items of clothing to place around his neck as if to attempt suicide. Staff always immediately retrieve items. No improper restraints nor physical injury were observed happening to client by staff during incident. Facility is working with DCCECE Licensing in implement plan for timely reporting in the future. Plan involves nursing staff sending a brief notification when attending incident.