



Standard-of-Care Analysis for Youth and Adult Group Care Matters

## Litigation Advisory & Expert Witness Support

Objective insight. Defensible work product.

FOREFRONT provides independent, evidence-based advisory support to counsel in cases alleging standards-of-care violations in residential and congregate care settings. We translate complex operating environments, regulatory expectations, and accepted practices into clear, litigation-ready analysis that stands up to scrutiny.

**2001**

**ESTABLISHED**

Longstanding advisory and oversight experience.

**2,000+**

**AUDITS & REVIEWS**

Independent assessments across complex care environments.

**\$100M+**

**CONTRACT OVERSIGHT**

Deep experience in accountability, compliance, and review.

**Independent**

**BY DESIGN**

Objective analysis grounded in evidence and accepted practice.

### How We Support Law Firms

- Pre-suit case screening and merits review
- Standards-of-care framework and opinion development
- Records review, chronology, and critical-incident analysis
- Licensing, regulatory, and policy compliance mapping
- Expert reporting support and deposition and trial preparation
- Corrective-action and risk mitigation advisement (non-legal)

### Settings and Allegations We Evaluate

- Youth group homes and residential treatment programs
- Foster care and child welfare placement settings
- Juvenile justice detention, reentry, and contracted services
- Adult residential, behavioral health, and congregate care
- Supervision failures, staffing, training, and documentation gaps
- Abuse and assault prevention controls and response protocols

### Featured Case Experience

#### **Doe v. EMQ FamiliesFirst**

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA | 2017

**A Sacramento jury awarded over \$4.55M in compensatory damages and \$7.5M in punitive damages, totaling more than \$12M, in a matter involving negligent care and sexual assault allegations in a group home setting.**

FOREFRONT's principal, Keith D. Carr, has served as an expert witness in matters involving standards of care in group care environments.

Sources: ProPublica (Apr. 17, 2017); The Sacramento Bee (Apr. 11 and Apr. 14, 2017); The Law Firm of Sean R. Laird case summary (Apr. 2017).

### Let's Strengthen Accountability. Together.

Request a confidential case review or discuss expert witness support for standards-of-care matters.

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