

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 315455	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 10/12/2022
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<p>F 0610</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Respond appropriately to all alleged violations.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 38080</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, record review, and review of pertinent facility documentation, the facility failed to implement their abuse policy to investigate a.) an allegation of sexual abuse between two residents, b.) thoroughly and timely investigate allegation of verbal abuse, c.) thoroughly and timely investigate injuries of unknown origin identified for 4 of 6 residents reviewed for abuse (Resident #10, #56, #63, #65), and 1 of 1 resident's (Resident #193) reviewed for hospitalization and was evidenced by the following:</p> <p>Refer to F600 and F684</p> <p>On 08/10/22, multiple staff members observed on the locked nursing unit, Resident #63, a registered sex offender, exit Resident #10's room. Resident #10 had intellectual disabilities and was dependent completely on staff for Activities of Daily Living (ADLs). Resident #63 was reported to be happy, bobbing their head side to side while smiling with feces on both of their hands. Certified Nursing Aide (CNA #1) reported this observation was alarming and reported it to a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN #1). CNA #1, LPN #1, and Behavioral Aide (BA #1) entered Resident #10's room and observed the bed curtain was open, the resident was lying in bed with the blanket pulled down, their hospital type gown was pulled up, and their incontinence brief was twisted and opened to one side with feces coming outside of the brief. Resident #10 was reported to be shaking and appeared nervous while saying, mommy, rape, and doctor. LPN #1 reported the incident to the Licensed Nursing Home Administrator (LNHA) and the Director of Nursing (DON) who both failed to investigate and report the situation. Resident #10 remained on the locked nursing unit for two weeks with Resident #63 until Resident #10's room was changed on 8/25/22 by the DON since the resident reportedly did not need to be on a locked unit. Resident #63 remained on the locked unit with no additional monitoring and was free to roam around the unit and into other resident rooms. An interview with the LNHA revealed that the facility observed Resident #63 exit Resident #10's room on video surveillance footage, footage that was unable to be provided to the survey team. The LNHA stated that Resident #63 was only in Resident #10's room for six to seven minutes, and upon interview, Resident #63 stated he/she was in Resident #10's bathroom by mistake, the LNHA stated that was determined as plausible since LPN #1 was at some point inside Resident #10's room while administering medication and did not observe Resident #63. The LNHA concluded that no abuse had occurred, therefore, no investigation was required.</p> <p>On 09/27/22 at 11:02 AM, the surveyor reviewed the five investigations provided by the DON. None of which included the incident alleged by staff that occurred between Resident #10 and Resident #63.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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<p>F 0610</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>On 09/27/22 at 11:09 AM, the LNHA stated and confirmed that the surveyor had all of the facility investigations. The LNHA, upon inquiry, stated that he did not keep any soft files, but then stated there may be one or two reportables (mandatory facility reporting) and he would check.</p> <p>27193</p> <p>b. On 09/23/22 at 7:20 AM, while in the hallway, the surveyor (#2) overheard a loud verbal exchange that was occurring near the nursing station. While approaching the nursing station, the surveyor observed a resident [Resident #56] standing in the hallway facing the nursing station and was talking loudly. Then a female staff exited the nursing station and was yelling, screaming and pointing the finger as she walked toward Resident #56 and in the resident's face. The surveyor stood by the nursing station and observed the night nurse was directly facing the hallway, with an unobstructed view and where the verbal argument was taking place. A Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA#3) was sitting at the desk, a laundry staff was in the hallway, the medication nurse, a Registered Nurse (RN #1), all witnessed the incident, and none of the staff intervened.</p> <p>The resident was later identified by staff as Resident #56. Resident #56 approached surveyor #2 and stated, Can you help me, all I want is a diaper. The one that I had on would be wet in 2 hours. The surveyor informed TNA #4 of the resident's requested needs. TNA #4 then continued to argue with Resident #56 and remained in the hallway near the linen cart. TNA#4 did not provide the disposable incontinence brief to the resident.</p> <p>On 09/23/22 at 7:30 AM, surveyor #2 interviewed TNA #4 who was involved in the above incident. TNA #4 informed the surveyor that she had been working at the facility for the last 4 months. The surveyor inquired about any in-service education received on Dementia care, she acknowledged receipt of in-service education. The surveyor asked her to comment on the observed behavior witnessed in the hallway. TNA #4 stated that Resident #56 pointed fingers at her first because she did not allow Resident #56 to obtain a disposable incontinence brief from the linen cart that was parked in the hallway. In return TNA #4 stated she pointed the fingers back at him/her. TNA #4 stated there were no disposable briefs on the floor.</p> <p>On the morning prior to the above incident, Surveyor #2 entered the nursing station of the 300's Unit and observed a pack of disposable brief on the counter of the low side of the unit. Although TNA #4 stated there was no disposable incontinence brief on the floor, the pack of disposable incontinence briefs were still on the counter following the witnessed verbal altercation with TNA #4 and Resident #56. CNA #3 who was sitting at the nursing desk on the locked unit, stood up and provided a disposable incontinence brief to Resident #56. Resident #56 thanked CNA #3 and returned to his/her room.</p> <p>On 09/26/22 at 12:06 PM, Surveyor #2 met with the LNHA and the DON and requested the investigation for the incident of 09/23/22. Both indicated that they were not aware of the incident.</p> <p>41858</p> <p>c. Review of an additional Nursing Progress note documented by LPN #5, dated 07/04/22 at 3:08 PM, revealed; X-ray of right leg/foot complete awaiting results.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0610</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>On 10/05/22 at 9:56 AM, the surveyor interviewed the DON regarding what the process was if a resident sustained an injury of unknown origin. The DON stated it should be investigated and reported to the State. The surveyor inquired as to the documentation on 09/24/21 regarding Resident # 193. The DON stated, we should have done a skin check before they went out to the hospital. The DON stated she would want to know why the resident vomited. The DON stated, there should absolutely be specifics on the transfer sheet regarding the vomiting and how the resident was found, and the DON stated, it is imperative. The DON also stated she would get a statement from the CNA. The DON stated the hospital needed to know that information and she stated, I would expect to see any additional information related to the resident, it doesn't end [the resident] going out. The DON stated, I would want to know what happened and they have to notify the responsible party and the doctor.</p> <p>On 10/05/22 at 10:49 AM, the surveyor interviewed the LNHA, regarding what the process was for injuries of unknown origin. The LNHA stated there should be an investigation for injuries of unknown origin.</p> <p>On 10/05/22 at 3:57 PM, the Regional Administrator (RLNHA), in the presence of the Regional Nurse and DON, informed the surveyor that there were no investigations for Resident #193. The RLNHA stated she had checked with the DON to look through her office and there was also nothing from the LNHA. The RLNHA stated 100% there should be an investigation completed for all falls or unusual occurrences.</p> <p>On 10/05/22 at 4:05 PM, the surveyor inquired to the DON regarding any incidents, investigations or reportable events for Resident #193. The DON stated, I have nothing on Resident #193 and the DON stated that she and the LNHA could not locate any incidents or reportable event. The DON stated that Resident #193 vomited, and none of the information was found out, nothing was on the transfer note. The RLNHA stated she was not aware that Resident #193 had any falls and was unsure why the resident's belongings were sent to the hospital. At that time, the surveyor requested a timeline of events for Resident #193 from the RLNHA.</p> <p>On 10/06/22 at 10:00 AM, the RLNHA provided the timeline for Resident #193. The CLNHA stated that Resident #193 was transferred to the hospital on 07/30/21 due to a change in mental status and readmitted to the facility on [DATE]. The CLNHA confirmed the first falls occurred on 07/20/21 and there were no investigations completed, and no incident reports were completed regarding the 09/01/21 fall either. The RLNHA confirmed there was no documented nursing physical assessment for the two falls that occurred on 08/20/21 and the fall on 09/01/21.</p> <p>10/06/22 at 10:31 AM, the RLNHA stated to the surveyor that with any injury of unknown origin, an incident report with statements and a full head to toe investigation should have been completed.</p> <p>The following facility provided policies were reviewed:</p> <p>Accidents-Occurrence Investigation revealed All accidents will be investigated, documented and reported to the New Jersey Department of Health as appropriate. Definitions: Accident: refers to any unexpected or unintentional incident, which may result in injury or illness to a resident . Fall: refers to unintentionally coming to rest on the ground, floor or other lower levels, but not as a result of an overwhelming external force (i.e. resident pushes another resident). An episode where a resident lost his/her balance and would have fallen, if not for staff intervention, is considered a fall. A fall without an injury is still a fall unless there is evidence suggesting otherwise when a resident is found on the floor, a fall is considered to have occurred .</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>A New Jersey Universal Transfer Form (UTF) had a Date of Transfer: [DATE], Time of Transfer:[blank] revealed Resident #193 was transferred to the hospital on [DATE] at an unknown time. The Reasons for Transfer:(Must include brief medical history and recent changed in physical function or cognition) Lethargy, V/S: BP,d+[DATE], P 100, R 14, T 97.2, Pain: [Blank], Primary Diagnosis: CVA, The following areas were left blank; Code Status, DNR, DNH, DNI, Out of Hospital DNR Attached, Secondary Diagnosis, Mental Health Diagnosis (if applicable), At Risk Alerts: None, Falls, Pressure Ulcer, Aspiration, Wanders, Elopement, Seizure, Harm to: N/A, Self, Others, Weight Bearing Status: None, Left Leg.: Limited, Full, Right Leg: Limited, Full, Mental Status: Disoriented and Dementia, Function: Walk [Not Able], Transfer [Not Able], Toilet [Not Able], Attached Documents:(must attach current medication information) Labs was checked off and Face Sheet[an admission summary], MAR[medication administration record], Medication Reconciliation, TAR [Treatment Administration Record], POS [Physician Order Sheet], Diagnostic Studies, Operative Report, Respiratory Care, Advanced Directive, Code Status, Discharge Summary, PT[physical therapy] note, OT [occupational therapy] Note, HX/PE [history and physical exam] and Other was blank, Labs was checked off. The Sending Facility Contact: Title, Unit and Phone section was blank, the Form Completed by and Title section was blank. There was no information on the UTF that correlated with the [DATE] LPN #1 NN that indicated the recent changes in physical function.</p> <p>The Admission Record revealed Resident #193 had Admitting Diagnosis that included, but was not limited to, Dysarthria (a speech disorder from neurological injury), CVA, Malignant Hypertension (sudden spike in blood pressure), and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus.</p> <p>On [DATE] at 2:41 PM, the surveyor conducted a telephone interview with LPN #1 regarding the documentation on [DATE], regarding Resident #193. LPN #1 asked the surveyor if she was in trouble and stated she did not recall the resident, or remember her documentation, or any incident on [DATE], and she was unable to speak to it.</p> <p>On [DATE] at 3:22 PM, the surveyor conducted and interview with the Director of Nursing (DON) and showed the DON the UTF for Resident #123 dated [DATE]. The surveyor inquired if there were any incidents or investigations for Resident #123 and she stated she will inquire. At that time the surveyor reviewed the UTF with the DON. The DON stated the UTF was incomplete.</p> <p>On [DATE] at 4:18 PM, the surveyor, in the presence of another surveyor, inquired to the Licensed Nursing Home Administrator (LNHA) and Regional Licensed Nursing Home Administrator (RLNHA) if there were any investigations for Resident #193. The LNHA stated no there were no investigations that the facility was aware of.</p> <p>On [DATE] at 4:30 PM the surveyor, in the presence of another surveyor, requested any information from the Interim Infection Preventionist Licence Practical Nurse (IIPLPN) related to the reason #193 was sent to the hospital on [DATE].</p> <p>On [DATE] at 8:27 AM, the IIPLPN provided the surveyor a Daily Report dated [DATE], and showed the surveyor that Resident #193 was transferred to the emergency roaignom on [DATE], for a change in mental status and had no other information related to [DATE].</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Accidents-Occurrence Investigation Policy Originated:,d+[DATE], revealed All accidents will be investigated, documented and reported to the New Jersey Department of Health as appropriate. Definitions: Accident: refers to any unexpected or unintentional incident, which may result in injury or illness to a resident . Fall: refers to unintentionally coming to rest on the ground, floor or other lower levels, but not as a result of an overwhelming external force (i.e. resident pushes another resident). An episode where a resident lost his/her balance and would have fallen, if not for staff intervention, is considered a fall. A fall without an injury is still a fall unless there is evidence suggesting otherwise when a resident is found on the floor, a fall is considered to have occurred .</p> <p>Procedure: Responsibility Person responsible for area in which the accident occurred (Initiator). Action: Initiated the accident report and enters required information. Notifies RN/Clinical Care Manager; RN/Clinical Care Manager: Action: Investigates the situation and assesses the resident/patient, completes the nurse section of the Accident Report, Determines/implements immediate corrective action. Licensed Nurse RN/LPN: Notifies M.D. & Clinical Care Manager, Identifies relevant environmental risk factors, Notifies Plant Operations and/or housekeeping as appropriate, Documents the accident event and notification of family in the progress notes, Place resident/patient on 24 hour report X 72 hours, Documents resident/patient status in the progress notes X 72 hours, RN/CCM: Initiates/updates CCP with a new intervention, Clinical Care Manager: Reviews the accident report and other pertinent information with the interdisciplinary Team at morning report the following business day, RN/Clinical Care Manager: Initiates Incident report, Obtains statements from all staff, residents, visitors, volunteers present at the time of the accident, by the end of the shift, Obtains statements until a determination can be made as to the time of the accident, Clinical Care Manager: Reviews accident report, statements occurrence report, clinical record and surveillance data as indicated. Completes Summary of Findings and Determination regarding Abuse, Neglect, and Mistreatment, Initiates Corrective Action Plan, Notifies family/significant others of the findings of the Occurrence Investigation, Submits all documents to the A.D.N./D.N.S., D.N.S./A.D.N.: Reviews each case, relevant documents and the clinical record to validate findings and determine results, Forwards original accident reports to the Education Dept., DNS/ADN: Reviews significant injuries and injuries of unknown origin with the Administrative Team (Administrator/Associate Administrator/ Medical Director/Associate Medical Director), Administrative Team: Conducts root cause analysis, as needed, DON/Designee: Notifies DOH and other regulatory agencies as per regulations if: reasonable cause to suspect abuse, neglect and mistreatment has been determined, failure to follow the CCP, which resulted in resident injury, injuries of unknown origin.</p> <p>Policy and Procedure for the Prevention of Fall, undated; Communication of Risk, Residents at risk for falls will be communicated to the interdisciplinary team via the care plan, Evaluation of Fall Incidents, Assess residents for any obvious injuries, notify the medical provider and document a progress note reflecting the resident's appearance, evidence of injury and location, Monitor resident post incident to observe for latent injury, After a fall has occurred, the interdisciplinary team will re-evaluate the resident and revise intervention to prevent recurrence, PT/OT to screen residents and recommend interventions, if indicated, Quality Assurance, Complete an occurrence and conduct post occurrence and conduct post occurrence review to attempt to ascertain root cause analysis of the incident and implement immediate measures to protect the resident, Occurrence will be discussed in the morning report; current and alternative interventions/preventative measures will be explored and implemented upon agreement by the IDC team, Nursing department will track the number of falls per month by collecting data from accident/incident reports to identify trends and patterns.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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F 0684 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Some	<p>Charting and Documentation Policy, Effective [DATE]; 2. The following information is to be documented in the resident medical record: a. objective observations, d. changes in the resident's condition, e. events, incidents or accidents involving the resident, f. progress toward or changes in the care plan goals and objectives.</p> <p>Change in Condition Policy, Effective [DATE]; It is the policy of this facility to identify and communicate changes in condition to the physician and other team members to implement interventions to prevent further deterioration and possibly prevent hospitalization . All staff are encouraged to promptly report any changes in condition to the charge nurse, supervisor or DNS/ADNS or designee immediately, A complete assessment will be conducted of all systems including but not limited to: functional status, respiratory evaluation, abdominal pain or GI evaluation, GU/Urine evaluation, Skin evaluation, pain evaluation, vital signs, A care plan will be initiated and/or updated based on the reason for the change in condition as soon as feasible (in case of emergency/acute transfer, patient's safety comes first and family will be notified once patient is stabilized).</p> <p>N.J.A.C. 8:,d+[DATE].1(a)(b)</p>		