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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 41469</p> <p>Based on interviews and record review the facility failed to ensure 1 of 14 residents reviewed for abuse and neglect (CR #181) were free from abuse, in that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- HA C admitted to snatching CR #181's call light from his pillowcase and placing it out of reach from the resident after the resident pressed it multiple times.</li> <li>- CR #181 was noted to be wheelchair bound and in need of assistance.</li> <li>- CR #181's hospital record documented resident refused to return to the facility because he believed he was abused by staff.</li> </ul> <p>This failure caused one resident to experience feelings of fear from abuse and placed all residents who needed assistance and were wheelchair bound at risk of being abused, not having their needs met in a timely manner and experiencing a decrease in quality of care and life.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Record review of CR #181's face sheet revealed a [AGE] year-old male resident who admitted from a hospital. No diagnoses were listed.</p> <p>Record review of CR #181's nurses notes, dated 01/19/2023 at 3PM, revealed the resident, . admitted to the facility from [Hospital] at 1:30PM via stretcher .</p> <p>Record review of CR #181's nurses notes, dated 01/19/2023 at 11:15PM, LVN J wrote Resident [complaint of] left shoulder pain p being assaulted by staff that snatched call light away from him fracturing his arm or shoulder causing mark on his left arm. Resident refused nurse to complete skin assessment. Nurse observed to BUE scabbed over areas. Resident requested to notify 911 as he wanted to speak [with] police to file assault charges [and] that he can not stay here again. Nurse asked to assess him [and] refused stating that he was not doing a dog [and] pony show for me [and] would not do anything for me.</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 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>In an interview with the Administrator on 03/23/2023 at 3:09PM, the Administrator stated he is the abuse coordinator. He stated on the night of 01/19/2023, LVN J called him and informed him of the incident: that CR #181 was a new admission who was being out of control, who wanted to leave the facility and made accusations against HA C for breaking his arm. He said LVN J told him CR #181 did not allow her to assess him for bruising, but from what she could see, she did not see any obvious bruising. The Administrator stated he never heard about the call light being taken away until surveyors started questioning him about it today. The Administrator said he was not sure if taking the call light was a resident rights issue or abuse issue because he would need to ask HA C what he did and why he did it, but he and LVN J both did not believe HA C would hurt the resident.</p> <p>In an interview with 3/22/2023 at 3:53PM, the Administrator stated he could not find any written statements from staff related to that incident and he could not find any in-service trainings related to abuse that was given to HA C.</p> <p>Record review of forms titled, [Facility Name] with no dates, revealed 22 staff members were asked to document the 7 types of abuse, including involuntary seclusion, who to contact if abuse is witnessed or alleged, and if they knew what happened to CR #181. Of the 22 staff members, HA C was not included.</p> <p>Record review of the facility's policy on Abuse Prohibition Standards of Practice, dated 11/1/2016, stated, . Each resident has the right to be free from verbal, sexual, physical and mental abuse, corporal punishment and involuntary seclusion. The resident has the right to be free from mistreatment, neglect and misappropriation of property. The following standards of practice will be operationalized in order that residents will not be subject to abuse by anyone, including, but not limited to, facility staff .</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 41469</p> <p>Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure residents were safe from accidents and hazards for 1 of 11 sampled residents (Resident #77), in that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CNA K was observed transferring Resident #77 by himself using a mechanical lift.</li> </ul> <p>This failure places residents at risk of physical harm and injury.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Record review of Resident #77's face sheet revealed a [AGE] year-old male who admitted into the facility on [DATE], and diagnosed with muscle wasting atrophy, hemiplegia and hemiparesis.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #77's care plan, dated 01/05/2023, reflected ADL function was coded 8 for transfers, meaning transfer activity did not occur.</p> <p>Review of MDS, BIMS, and physician orders</p> <p>Observations on 03/23/23 at 01:12 PM, revealed Resident #77 was being transferred from his bed to the shower table by CNA K, alone, using a mechanical lift. RN U was observed in the room at the time feeding Resident #77's roommate and did not intervene.</p> <p>In an interview with RN U on 03/23/23 at 01:16 PM, RN U stated everyone is trained to do mechanical lift by themselves.</p> <p>In an interview with CNA K on 03/23/23 01:20 PM, CNA K stated that he himself is the muscle and takes it upon himself to do the transfer on his own when he does not have the help nearby, but only sometimes. He stated he had been trained to do it with a second person but still sometimes performs the transfer on his own.</p> <p>In an interview with Resident #77, on 3/23/3023 at 1:21 PM, The resident stated that CNA K usually transfers him using the mechanical lift by himself.</p> <p>In an interview with Unit Manager S on 03/23/23 at 01:24 PM, she stated mechanical lifts require two people to use them. One person was to use the remote to move it up and down while the other one kept the resident stationary to prevent them from hitting their limbs anywhere and acquiring injuries for the resident. She stated, under no circumstance that they would allow one person to do it. She stated to her knowledge, she did not know CNA K to use the mechanical lift alone. She said with only one person on the mechanical light, you could potentially hurt the patient if they fall, and no one would be there to help if things were to go wrong. All CNAs know to use it with 2 people. Unit Manager S said she did not know of any staffing issues and there should always be two people available to use the mechanical lift.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>In an interview with the DON on 03/23/23 at 02:47 PM, she stated transferring residents by themselves was wrong, and two people were necessary for the safety of the resident's transfer.</p> <p>Record review of inservices on gait belt, dated 02/23/2023 revealed no documented training was provided to aides including procedures for use of the mechanical lift for transfers.</p> <p>Record review of facility's policy on Mechanical Lift Use, dated 01/01/2017, reflected it did not mention the necessity of two staff to safely operate a mechanical lift.</p>

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<p>F 0755</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide pharmaceutical services to meet the needs of each resident and employ or obtain the services of a licensed pharmacist.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 47531</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, facility failed to provide routine and emergency drugs and biologicals to its residents, or obtain them for 2 of 5 residents review for pharmacy services in that the facility failed to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove expired insulins for 3 out of 7 medications on the 3 East medication Cart.</li> <li>2. Put expiration dates on 2 out of 2 insulins in the 3 east medication room refrigerator.</li> </ol> <p>This failure affected 2 residents and placed residents at risk for lower medication efficacy, health complications, and prolonged illness.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Observation of the 3 East Medication Cart on [DATE] date at 12:01pm time revealed:</p> <p>Humulin R for resident #23 opened on [DATE] and expired on [DATE].</p> <p>Novolin N for Resident #41 opened on [DATE] and expired on [DATE].</p> <p>Lantus Solostar for resident #41 opened on [DATE] and expired on [DATE].</p> <p>Observation of the 3 East Medication Storage Room refrigerator on [DATE] at 12:45pm revealed:</p> <p>Lantus Solostar for resident #41 with an open date of [DATE] with no expiration date on the label.</p> <p>Lantus Solostar for resident #41 with open date of [DATE] with no expiration date on the label.</p> <p>In an interview on [DATE] with LVN H at 12:10 PM she said she did not know the medications were expired, did not know the surveyors were here and this was her first day back at work.</p> <p>In an interview on [DATE] with LVN I at 2:03PM she said when residents receive expired insulin, it will not be effective and will not do what it is supposed to do. She said when insulin expires a resident's blood sugar would elevate and they could get sick.</p> <p>In an interview on [DATE] with the DON at 2:15PM she said they never give expired insulin, and she does not know why the insulin was on the cart. She said residents should not use expired insulin and nurses should only hand expired insulin to her or the unit manager.</p> <p>In an interview on [DATE] with the DON at 12:55PM she said that when insulin is expired, residents should not receive it. She said they have trained staff to visualize the medication before administering it. She said when insulin is expired, it might not be as efficient to treat diabetes and blood sugars could be high.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0755</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Record review of the facility's medication administration policy titled, Administering Medications, dated 2001, read in part . Check the expiration date on the medication label. When opening a multi-dose container, place the date on the container.</p> <p>Record review of the facility's medication expiration policy titled, Medication Expiration After Opening, no date, read in part . Humulin R, expires in 30 days, Novolin N expires in 42 days, Lantus Insulin expires in 28 days.</p> <p>Record review of the facility's policy titled, Rights of Medication Administration, no date, read in part . Check the medication label.</p>		

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<p>F 0758</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Implement gradual dose reductions(GDR) and non-pharmacological interventions, unless contraindicated, prior to initiating or instead of continuing psychotropic medication; and PRN orders for psychotropic medications are only used when the medication is necessary and PRN use is limited.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 40249</p> <p>Based on observation, interview and record review the facility failed to have target behavioral monitoring in place for behaviors associated with the use of psychotropic medications and to ensure residents who had not used psychotropic drugs were not given these drugs unless the medication was necessary to treat a specific condition as diagnosed and documented in the clinical record for 1 of 6 residents reviewed for unnecessary psychotropic drugs (Resident #61).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The facility failed to obtain consent for Risperdal antipsychotic medication treatment from Resident #61's doctor/facility Medical Director.</li> <li>- The facility failed to obtain psychiatrist referral/ psychiatrist services for the use of antipsychotic medication for Resident #61.</li> <li>- The facility failed to obtain consent for antipsychotic medication treatment from Resident #61's Responsible party.</li> <li>-The facility failed to adequately monitor Resident #61's behaviors and side effects regarding his antipsychotic medication.</li> </ul> <p>These failures could place residents at risk of receiving unnecessary psychotropic medications with possible medication side effects, adverse consequences, decreased quality of life and dependence on unnecessary medications.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Record review of Resident #61 face sheet (undated) revealed he was a [AGE] year-old male admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses of Alzheimer's disease (a brain disorder that slowly destroys memory and thinking skills and, eventually, the ability to carry out the simplest tasks), mood affective disorder (a type of psychiatric disorder) and vascular dementia (changes to memory, thinking, and behavior resulting from conditions that affect the blood vessels in the brain).</p> <p>Record review of Resident #61's Comprehensive MDS dated [DATE] revealed Resident #61 had a BIMS score of 03 out of 15, indicating severely impaired cognition. Further review of section N0410, revealed Resident #61 received antipsychotic medication 7 days a week.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #61's care plan initiated 2/28/23 and revised on 3/16/2023 revealed the following:</p> <p>Problem: Potential for medication side effects and adverse reactions due to antidepressant, anti-anxiety and anti-psychotic medication administration required for the management of Depression, Psychosis, Restless and Agitation, Mood Disorder, Anxiety. He has orders for PRN Alprazolam but has not received this medication.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0758</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Goal: Resident #61 will be free from medication side effects and / or adverse reaction X 90 days.</p> <p>Approach: Administer medication as ordered: Remeron, Risperidone, PRN Alprazolam</p> <p>Approach: Monitor antipsychotic side effects and effectiveness. Antipsychotic side effects: Dizzy or blurry vision; drowsiness; weight gain; digestive issues; low blood pressure; restlessness; mental fog; loss of motivation; social withdrawal; uncontrolled movements; metabolic syndrome, diabetes</p> <p>Record review of the order summary report dated 02/28/2023 indicated Resident #61 had the following order with start date of 3/01/23 Risperidone tablet; 0.5 mg; amt: 1 tablet; oral Twice A Day 08:00 AM, 04:00 PM for unspecified mood [affective disorder]. The order summary report did not indicate Resident #61 had any behavior or side effect monitoring for the use of antipsychotic medication.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #61's MAR from 3/01/23 to 3/24/23 revealed resident was receiving Risperidone tablet; 0.5 mg; amt: 1 tablet; oral Twice A Day 08:00 AM, 04:00 PM.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #61's Antipsychotic or Neuroleptic Medication Treatment consent revealed Section 1 was not signed by the Health Care Professional proposing treatment or the Delegating physician. Section II was not signed by the Resident or Resident's Representative.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #61's Antipsychotic or Neuroleptic Medication Treatment consent read in part: Section 1: The following course of therapy with antipsychotic or neuroleptic medication(s) is proposed with the following medication(s), dosage and frequency: Risperdal 0.5 mg-give 1 tab P.O.BID. The consent was not signed by person prescribing medication or person's designee or facility's medical director. Section II was not signed by the Resident or Resident's Representative.</p> <p>Observation and interview on 3/21/23 at 10:21a.m., with Resident #61 revealed he was resting in bed. He said he did not recall the names of the medications he was taking.</p> <p>Record review and interview on 3/22/23 at 1:33p.m., with the DON, she said there was a behavior monitoring sheet with side effects on there. The DON said this was separate from the MAR and TAR. Sometimes monitoring could be on the MAR. At this time, behavior/side effect monitoring documentation were requested. This Surveyor reviewed Resident #61's consent for Antipsychotic medication treatment, physician orders, and medical chart with the DON. The DON said Resident #61 was cognitively impaired and needed RP to sign the consent for Risperdal use. She said when the resident was on Risperdal the resident needed to be on psych services. She said she did not see in the physical order where the psych referral was ordered. She said his doctor also needed to sign the consent form and if the doctor was not available the Medical Director could also sign the consent. She said she would follow up.</p> <p>In an interview on 3/24/23 at 12:52p.m., with Medication Aide AAA, she said she was responsible for administering routine PO meds to the residents. She said the nurses monitored for the side effects of the antipsychotic medications.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0758</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Record review and interview on 3/24/23 at 9:30a.m., this surveyor reviewed Resident #61's physician order and MAR for the month of March 2023 with LVN AA. LVN AA said antipsychotic medications required family consent if resident was not cognitive enough. She said Resident #61 was cognitively impaired and was unable to sign the consent for Risperdal. She said Risperdal required behavior and side effect monitoring. LVN AA said by not monitoring for behaviors or side effects the resident was at risk for taking something they do not need or having an adverse side effect and staff would be unaware of it. She said Medication aide administered routine medications and if they noticed any behaviors, they were to notify the nurse to document on nurses notes.</p> <p>Record review and interview on 3/24/23 at 9:42a.m., with the DON, Unit Manager A and LVN AA, this Surveyor reviewed Antipsychotic Medication Treatment consents. The DON said a resident receiving antipsychotic medications should have behavior and side effect monitoring as well. Unit Manager A said if they are not monitoring the side effects or the behaviors they will not know when to notify they doctor regarding the need for medication changes. The DON said the Medical Director came once a week to the facility. She said the Medical Director was in the facility on Wednesday 3/22/23 and could have signed the consent. She said the nurse, or the Unit Manager should have gotten the verbal consent from the resident's RP when starting the antipsychotic medication. Unit Manager A said care plan meeting with Resident #61's family was held yesterday (3/23/23) and a verbal consent for Risperdal was received.</p> <p>No behavior/side effect monitoring documentation were provided on exit.</p> <p>Record review of facility's Psychotropic/Psychoactive Drugs policy (7/2009) read in part: .Policy: 2. Qualified staff will monitor the patient/resident for potential undesirable side effects that are associated with the use of the psychotropic drugs according to CMS, state specific rules and regulations, and Facility Practice Guidelines. The policy did not mention consent for Psychotropic/Psychoactive Drugs.</p>		

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<p>F 0812</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Procure food from sources approved or considered satisfactory and store, prepare, distribute and serve food in accordance with professional standards.</p> <p>41469</p> <p>Based on observations, interview and record review, the facility failed to distribute and serve food in accordance with professional standards for food service safety for all residents who eat food served by the kitchen, in that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Low-temperature chemical dishwasher was observed to be used to wash residents' dishware while not reaching required temperature of 120F for wash cycle.</li> </ul> <p>This failure placed all residents who eat food served by the facility kitchen using its dishware at risk for foodborne illness.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Observations of the kitchen on 03/22/2023 at 10:20AM, revealed resident trays and dishware were being washed by Dietary Aide A and the dishwasher temperature was measured at 108F.</p> <p>In interview with Dietary Aide A on 03/22/2023 at 10:20AM, he stated he ran the dishwasher eight times before washing the dishes and he recorded the temperature at 110F prior to washing the dishware. He stated the temperature of the dishwasher is usually around 110F and documented it on the dishwasher temperature log.</p> <p>Record review of the dishwasher temperature log, dated March 2023, revealed the dishwasher temperature was running between 110F and 120F for the past week.</p> <p>In an interview with the Dietary Manager on 03/22/2023 at 10:25AM, she stated she did an in-service for her staff after she noticed the dishwasher temperatures dip down around the month of February 2023. She said she also had maintenance repair the dishwasher twice to fix the issue causing the temperature to be low. She stated the dishwasher temperature is required to be at 120F or above prior to using the dishwasher. She stated running the dishwasher 8 times was not enough to thoroughly wash the dishes and it should have been run until it reached 120F. She stated she did not audit her staff to ensure they are running it enough prior to washing resident dishware.</p> <p>Record review of inservice report, dated 02/13/2023, revealed inservice on the need for dishwasher temp must be done before first wash for breakfast, lunch [and] dinner . report any temps off set to manager and or maintenance .</p> <p>Record review of facility policy on Safe Employee Practices with Equipment, dated 2009, revealed staff should report equipment malfunction to the Nutrition Services Director.</p>