

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 035087	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 12/02/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER North Mountain Medical and Rehabilitation Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 9155 North Third Street Phoenix, AZ 85020	

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<p>F 0563</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> <p>Note: The nursing home is disputing this citation.</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to receive visitors of his or her choosing, at the time of his or her choosing.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 47910</p> <p>Based on clinical record reviews, facility documentation, resident and staff interviews, and policy review, the facility failed to ensure one resident (#2) had the right to receive and deny visitors. The deficient practice could result in further violations of the resident's rights.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Resident #2 was admitted on [DATE] with diagnosis including acute and chronic respiratory failure with hypoxia critical illness myopathy, toxic encephalopathy, and dysphagia.</p> <p>A review of the Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 14, indicating intact cognition. Further review of the MDS revealed no indicators for mood or behaviors and dependent for upper and lower mobility.</p> <p>A review of the care plan revealed a focus area indicating that the resident has a potential risk for alteration in thought process/cognitive loss related to multiple complex medical conditions and has ineffective coping skills as exhibited by episodes of agitation, and verbally aggressive and abusive towards staff. Interventions included encouraging communication with family and caregivers' residents' capabilities and needs. Further review of the care plan revealed resident expressed alleged staff to resident incident on November 19, 2024. Intervention included a psych consult follow-up as ordered on November 20, 2024.</p> <p>A review of the progress notes revealed a psych follow-up entry dated November 20, 2024. On a mental capacity note, patient was AAOX4 during my interview today and able to name some of his medical problems as well as medications that he is currently taking. Patient demonstrated good concentration and short-term memory recall with an improvement in his MMSE score compared to the previous one done approximately 3 months ago. I believe patient now has the mental capacity to make his own medical decisions.</p> <p>A review of the PRN Skin Evaluation dated November 20, 2024 states no new skin alteration noted. no redness, swelling or open areas noted to right lower extremity.</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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