

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 035175	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/17/2026
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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - 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>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on clinical record review, resident and staff interviews, and policy review, the facility failed to ensure that 2 of 34 sampled residents (#84 and #75) were free from physical or verbal abuse from other residents (#39 and #37). The deficient practice could result in residents being physically and emotionally harmed.</p> <p>Findings Include:</p> <p>-Regarding Resident #84:</p> <p>Resident #84 (alleged victim) was admitted to the facility on [DATE], with diagnoses of borderline personality disorder, other schizophrenia, major depressive disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, personal history of traumatic brain injury, and chronic pain syndrome.</p> <p>The clinical record revealed documentations that decisions and consent were made by the resident's legal guardian/Brother.</p> <p>A quarterly minimum data set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed that Resident #84 had a BIMS (brief interview of mental status) score of 15, indicating intact cognition.</p> <p>A behavior assessment was completed on April 15, 2026, which revealed that Resident #84 displayed behaviors that included agitation/aggression, yelling/screaming/cursing/ abrasive tone, and threatening others.</p> <p>A care plan dated April 15, 2026 revealed Resident #84 received physical aggression from another resident. Interventions included residents were separated immediately, Resident #84 was sent to acute care hospital for evaluation, 15-minute checks upon return from acute care setting, monitor for emotional upset and encouragement to continue with normal routine, a referral was to be sent for counseling services with a tentative start date the week of April 20, 2026 and skin checks immediately and for 3 days with a report of abnormal findings to the MD (medical doctor).</p> <p>An incident note dated April 15, 2026 revealed that an incident occurred in the dining room while the residents were eating dinner. The incident note indicated that Resident #84 was verbally insulting another resident, Resident #39, who then told Resident #84 not to talk to him. Resident #84 asked Resident #39 what he was going to do about it, approaching him, and then Resident #39 hit Resident #84 in his left eye. It was documented that Resident #84 stated that Resident #39 told him not to talk to him, then stood up and pushed the table and hit him. The incident note stated that Resident #84 went to his room, vitals were initiated, skin assessment completed and PERRL (Pupils are Equal, (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 - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A skin evaluation dated April 3, 2026, at 9:11 p.m. revealed that the resident's skin was intact with no scratches or open areas, with notification details to the provider of physical aggression.</p> <p>A health status progress note dated April 3, 2026, at 9:43 p.m. revealed that the resident was speaking loudly and verbally to another resident, when she called the other resident fat b****es and told her to give her a soda. The note revealed that the other resident told Resident #75 no, it was not her soda, and to stop it before she slapped her. The note further revealed that the resident continued to berate her verbally, and that the other resident got up and slapped Resident #75 in the face in front of the medication cart in the hallway, with unknown physical contact, because the nurse did not see the actual hit from the other resident.</p> <p>An incident progress note dated April 4, 2026, at 7:18 a.m. revealed that a police officer arrived at the unit at 6:46 a.m.</p> <p>A behavioral care plan dated April 6, 2026, revealed that the resident had a behavior of inciting peers, with interventions to approach her in a non-confrontational manner, and that at the first sign of upset, staff should immediately separate the resident from her peers who were causing upset. The behavioral care plan interventions further revealed that when the resident was noted to incite peers, staff should give her a warning to stop, and if she continued, they should provide her with a calm space to separate her from the situation and do their best to keep her a significant distance from peers who cause her upset.</p> <p>A care plan focus revised on April 6, 2026, revealed that the resident had behavior problems related to schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and anxiety, with a goal to not exhibit physical aggression behaviors by the review date. The care plan focus had interventions to intervene as necessary to protect the rights and safety of others.</p> <p>-Regarding Resident #37</p> <p>Resident #37 was readmitted to the facility on [DATE], with diagnoses that included borderline personality disorder, bipolar disorder, pseudobulbar affect, hypertensive chronic kidney disease, anxiety disorder, insomnia, type 1 diabetes, post-traumatic stress disorder, obstructive sleep apnea, and polyneuropathy.</p> <p>A behavioral treatment plan dated February 16, 2026, revealed that the resident had behaviors to bully or show physical aggression towards peers, with interventions for staff to intervene promptly to maintain safety and a respectful environment. The behavioral care plan interventions further revealed that staff should remind the resident of expectations for respectful behavior, with examples being we treat others with respect. Hitting or intimidating others is not okay. The behavioral care plan interventions also revealed that if needed, the resident should be separated from the peer and redirected to another activity or area to allow time to settle, and to avoid arguing during escalation and focus on de-escalation and safety.</p> <p>A Quarterly MDS dated [DATE], revealed a BIMS score of 15, which indicated intact cognition.</p> <p>A care plan focus revised on February 24, 2026, revealed that the resident was at risk for behaviors related to bipolar, anxiety, and pseudobulbar affect, with interventions to intervene as necessary to protect the rights and safety of others. (continued on next page)</p>

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 035175	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/17/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Desert Peak Care Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 8825 South 7th Street Phoenix, AZ 85042	
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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A physician's order dated April 3, 2026, revealed safety checks every 15 minutes from April 4, 2025, until April 10, 2026.</p> <p>A behavior progress note dated April 3, 2026, at 10:22 p.m. revealed that the resident was at the nurses' station asking for a shower when another resident came and gave staff sodas. The note further revealed that another resident asked for a soda, and Resident #37 told her no. The note also revealed that the other resident called Resident #37 a fat b**** and to mind her own business. The note revealed that Resident #37 told the other resident to stop before she slapped her, and the other resident kept name-calling until Resident #37 jumped up and swung at the other resident.</p> <p>An incident progress note dated April 4, 2026, at 7:20 a.m. revealed that a police officer arrived at the unit at 6:46 a.m.</p> <p>Review of a facility investigation dated April 8, 2026, revealed that on April 3, 2026, at approximately 5:35 p.m., it was reported that Resident #37 and Resident #75 were at the nurses' station engaged in a verbal argument over a soda when both residents stood up from their wheelchairs and approached each other. The Facility investigation further revealed that Resident #37 swung her arm at Resident #75, and staff intervened and separated the residents. The facility investigation also revealed that a skin assessment was completed for Resident #75 at the time of the incident, and there was no injury, redness, trauma, or swelling noted. The facility investigation revealed that a female peer, Resident #38, was in the area during the time of the incident and stated that she saw Resident #37 swing her arm, but did not witness any physical contact between the two residents. The facility investigation further revealed that statements were taken from staff who were present at the time of the incident, and that they reported they did not witness any physical contact, however, there was a verbal argument between the residents. The facility investigation also revealed that Resident #37 was interviewed after the incident and stated that there was a verbal interaction between the two residents over a soda, and that she stood up from her chair, but that was it. The facility investigation revealed that Resident #75 was interviewed after the incident and stated that there was a verbal interaction between the two of them, and that Resident #37 swung at her. The facility investigation revealed that the facility was unable to determine if physical contact was made between the residents. The self-report further revealed that Resident #75 complained of pain to her chin after the incident occurred, with a skin assessment noting no injuries, trauma, or swelling.</p> <p>The facility investigation revealed a typed statement from Resident #75, dated April 7th, 2026, that revealed she asked for a soda, and Resident #37 told her no. The typed statement from Resident #75 further revealed that they continued to argue, Resident #37 stood up from her chair, and swung her arm at Resident #75 before staff separated them from each other. The facility investigation revealed a typed statement from Resident #37, dated April 7th, 2026, that revealed that they got into a verbal argument because Resident #75 wanted Resident #37's soda, and that Resident #37 told her that she was not going to spend her money on a soda for Resident #75. The typed statement further revealed that Resident #75 said some things that were not very nice before Resident #37 stood up out of her</p>		