

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 045430	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 02/04/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER The Springs of Brinkley		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1214 North Main Brinkley, AR 72021	

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<p>F 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program.</p> <p>46724</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, record review, and policy review, the facility failed to ensure Enhanced Barrier Precautions (EBP) were implemented and hand hygiene was performed to prevent the possible spread of infection for 1 (Resident #5) of 1 resident sampled for infection prevention and control.</p> <p>The findings are:</p> <p>Per a Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) memorandum titled, Enhanced Barrier Precautions in Nursing Homes and dated 03/20/2024, EBP refers to an infection control intervention designed to reduce the transmission of multidrug-resistant organisms (MDRO) that employs targeted gown and glove use during high contact resident care activities. It stipulated EBP are indicated for residents with wounds and/or indwelling medical devices, even if the resident is not known to be infected or colonized with an MDRO and indicated EBP be employed when performing high-contact resident care activities, including wound care: any skin opening requiring a dressing.</p> <p>Review of Resident #5's diagnosis sheet indicated diagnoses of pressure ulcer of unspecified heel and skin graft infection.</p> <p>Resident #5's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) with an Assessment Reference Date (ARD) of 11/26/2024 indicated a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) of 03, indicating the resident's cognitive status was severely impaired. The MDS indicated that the resident was dependent on staff for activities of daily living (bathing, dressing, grooming, toileting) as well as transfers and bed mobility and that the resident had one stage 3 pressure ulcer and one unstageable deep tissue injury.</p> <p>Resident #5's Care Plan with a revision date of 12/23/2024 indicated the resident was on EBP related to wounds, and indicated staff were to wear a gown and gloves during high contact care activities.</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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