

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 055064	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 08/13/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Cottonwood Canyon Healthcare Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1391 Madison Avenue El Cajon, CA 92021	

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<p>F 0697</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide safe, appropriate pain management for a resident who requires such services.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 46982</p> <p>Based on observations, interviews, and record review, the facility failed to ensure effective pain management services were provided to residents when two of four residents (1, 2) complained of inadequately controlled pain. This failure resulted in psychological harm when the residents experienced unrelieved pain.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE], with diagnoses that included: Type 2 diabetes (a chronic condition of the body's inability to regulate blood sugar levels) with diabetic polyneuropathy (a complication of diabetes affecting nerves in the body, causing sensations of numbness, stabbing pain, burning, tingling or pricking, and can cause insensitivity to temperature changes); other chronic pain.</p> <p>Resident 2 was admitted to the facility on [DATE], with diagnoses that included: other acute (recent) osteomyelitis, (bone infection) right ankle and foot; acute embolism and thrombosis (blood clot blocking vein) of left axillary (upper arm) vein; chronic (over 6 weeks) embolism (a sudden blocking of an artery) and thrombosis (a blood clot within blood vessels) of deep veins of right upper extremity.</p> <p>On 8/9/24 at 10:47 A.M. Resident 2 was interviewed. Resident 2's left arm was swollen and up on pillows for comfort. Resident 2 states she is doing well except for the pain of her arm. Resident 2 stated she takes norco (a narcotic pain reliever) and she can have one pill every four hours if she asked. Resident 2 also stated she would like two pain pills at night to sleep because the pain was so bad and it woke her up at night. Resident 2 stated she bought over the counter Tylenol PM, three times, and staff took it from her bedside. Resident 2 stated no one asked about managing her pain so she can sleep better. Resident 2 reported her pain at 10 on a 1/10 scale, and the pain had been constant since she arrived at the facility.</p> <p>On 8/9/24 at 11:35 A.M., Resident 1 was interviewed. Resident 1 stated he had waited up to three hours for pain medication. Resident 1 said the nurses did not re-order the medication in time, and they run out of his pain medication. Resident 1 stated he received morphine (a strong pain relieving narcotic) twice a day, with dilaudid (a narcotic for pain relief) as needed. Resident 1 stated warm water in the shower also works very well, he would need less pain pills if he could be in the shower three times a week.</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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