

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  055497	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  05/29/2024
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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</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> 44971</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to prevent an avoidable accident for one of 90 residents (Resident 1), when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Resident 1 eloped from the facility, fell , sustained injuries, was found by police and transferred to a hospital,</li> <li>2. Three out of four main entrance/exit doors had a non-functional or semi-functional wanderer monitoring system; and</li> <li>3. Resident 1's wander guard physician order and elopement care plan were not followed.</li> </ol> <p>These failures decreased the facility's potential to maintain residents' safety.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>A review of an admission record indicated Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE], with diagnoses including traumatic subdural hemorrhage (bleeding between brain and skull) with loss of consciousness, cerebral infarction (disrupted blood flow to the brain), cognitive communication deficit, surgery on the nervous system, major depressive disorder, delirium (an altered state of consciousness characterized by episodes of confusion), alcohol dependence, muscle weakness, and abnormalities of gait and mobility. Admission record further indicated Resident 1's wife was the Responsible Party (RP).</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS), dated 5/23/24, indicated BIMS score was six out of 15 indicating severe impairment in cognition and memory.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Elopement Risk Observation/Assessment, dated 5/20/24, indicated Resident 1's elopement risk score was 12 indicating he was at risk for elopement.</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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>A review of Resident 1's Fall Care Plan, dated 5/21/24, indicated Resident 1 was at risk for falls related to altered mental status, visual and hearing impairment, unsteady gait, altered balance while standing and/or walking, decreased muscle coordination, antidepressants, history of orthostatic blood pressure (a sudden drop in blood pressure when standing up from sitting or lying down), history of falls, seizure (neurological disorder), Parkinson's disease (brain disorder that causes uncontrollable movements) and dehydration.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Order Summary Report, dated 5/29/24, indicated Resident 1 received 30 milligrams (mg; a unit of measure) of Duloxetine (antidepressant), 150 mg of lithium carbonate (mood stabilizer), 0.5 mg of lorazepam (treats anxiety and sleep problems), 15 mg of mirtazapine (antidepressant) and 100 mg of trazodone (antidepressant).</p> <p>1. A review of Resident 1's 72-Hour Charting, dated 5/22/24 at 10:54 a.m., indicated Resident 1 had gross confusion and was wandering around trying to find his mom. The note further indicated Resident 1 was placed in activities to be monitored for elopement and safety.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's 72-Hour Charting, dated 5/22/24 at 4:01 p.m., indicated Resident 1 was re-directed several times due to wandering into other residents' rooms and attempted elopement to go see his mom.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Social Service Note, dated 5/23/24, indicated Resident 1 was attempting to exit the back door of the building, noted to wander into other residents' rooms looking for unrealistic items or people, and attempted to elope from the building a couple times as well. The note further indicated Resident 1's BIMS score was six and was noted to be confused and forgetful.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Medication Administration Note, dated 5/26/24, indicated Resident 1 was confused at the end of night shift and refused to take his medication.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Nurse's Note, dated 5/26/24 at 3:41 p.m., indicated Resident 1 had increased confusion and was asking when his wife will come and when his car will be fixed.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Nurse's Note, dated 5/26/24 at 4:43 p.m., indicated Resident 1 was on alert charting for increased confusion and monitoring his location. The note further indicated Resident 1 walked the halls every now and then.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Nurse's Note, dated 5/26/24 at 6:40 p.m., indicated at approximately 6:45 p.m. Resident 1's wife was looking for her husband and he was not in his room. Staff searched for Resident 1 and did not find him. The note further indicated staff called the police when Resident 1's wife was made aware by another resident that her husband took a ride.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Nurse's Note, dated 5/26/24 at 8:29 p.m., indicated at approximately 8:15 p.m. the police officer returned to the facility and informed staff that Resident 1 was found, had a fall, and was transported to the emergency room .</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 - Some</p>	<p>A review of a document titled, On-Line Health Facility Complaint, dated 5/27/24, indicated Resident 1 recently had a head surgery, was taken away from the facility without staff knowledge and then disappeared. Facility staff was unable to locate Resident 1 for nearly two hours. After an hour searching, police located Resident 1 at the bottom of a ravine with extensive injuries. The document further indicated the date and time of event was on 5/26/24 at 6:59 p.m.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Emergency Department (ED) Provider Note, dated 5/26/24, indicated Resident 1 presented to the ED with falls after being found down maybe about a mile from his potential care facility. Resident 1 was a missing person from his skilled nursing facility. Physical exam indicated Resident 1 had minor abrasion and contusion (bruise) to his right frontal area of head and multiple small skin tear lacerations (deep cuts) on bilateral forearms. ED note further indicated Resident 1 was a little bit confused and did not remember how he got out the facility and why he got into the place where he was found by the police.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1's Nurse's Note, dated 5/26/24 at 11:45 p.m., indicated Resident 1 returned from hospital around 11:45 p.m. via ambulance with several skin tears on his left forearm, right arm, and top of head.</p> <p>During an interview on 5/29/24 at 10:40 a.m. with Certified Nursing Assistant 1 (CNA 1), CNA 1 stated Resident 1 was confused and always wandered around looking for his wife.</p> <p>During an interview on 5/29/24 at 10:47 a.m. with Licensed Nurse 1 (LN 1), LN 1 stated Resident 1 was confused, wandered a lot looking for his mom, wanted to go to the East Bay, and wandered into other residents' rooms and the facility's back exit door in hall 2 because he could not find his room.</p> <p>During an interview on 5/29/24 at 11:37 a.m. with CNA 2, CNA 2 stated Resident 1 was super confused and wandered a lot into other residents' rooms.</p> <p>During a concurrent observation and interview on 5/29/24 at 10:26 a.m. in Resident 1's room, Resident 1 had two wander guards on bilateral ankles and skin tears on bilateral wrists, left forearm, and above right elbow. Resident 1 stated he left the facility walking through the facility's main entrance door, took a car ride with a man, and went to town. Resident 1 added the man dropped him off on the road and the road was brushy so he slipped, fell, and hurt his arms. Resident 1 further stated the fire department helped him and took him to the hospital, took care of his wounds, and returned him back to the facility.</p> <p>During an interview on 5/29/24 at 12:07 p.m. with Resident 1's wife, the wife stated she arrived to the facility on [DATE] around 6:15 p.m. and did not find her husband. Wife added staff had no idea where her husband went and were unable to see through the facility's cameras what time he left, how he left, and with whom. The wife added the police found her husband down a hill where he fell on a bike trail and took him to hospital because he hurt his head and arms. The wife further stated her husband was confused, unable to make clear decisions, unaware of the risks and benefits of leaving the facility, and confirmed she was the RP.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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