

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  056148	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  04/15/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Casitas Care Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  10626 Balboa Blvd. Granada Hills, CA 91344	

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p>40537</p> <p>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to implement its policy and procedure titled Wandering (to walk around without any clear purpose or direction) and Elopement (leaving the facility without notice or permission) and failed to ensure one of three sampled residents (Resident 1), who was observed with periods of confusion, agitation (a condition in which a person is unable to relax and be still) and was observed wandering and entering other resident rooms on 4/7/2025 was kept free from accidents and hazards by:</p> <p>1. Failing to ensure Certified Nursing Assistant 1 (CNA 1) followed the facility's policy and procedure titled Wandering and Elopement to attempt to prevent Resident 1, who was at risk for unsafe wandering, from leaving the facility premises.</p> <p>These deficient practices resulted in Resident 1 leaving the facility on 4/7/2025 at 11:10 p.m., without being stopped by CNA 1, who observed Resident 1 leave the facility. These deficient practices placed Resident 1's health and well-being at risk and could result to Resident 1 sustaining severe injury requiring hospitalization and death.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1's Admission Record, the Admission Record indicated the facility admitted Resident 1 on 4/7/2025 with diagnoses that included type 2 diabetes mellitus (a long-term condition in which the body has trouble controlling blood sugar and using it for energy), and asthma (a respiratory disease that causes difficulty in breathing).</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1's Admission Summary Progress Notes, dated 4/7/2025, timed at 6:52 p.m., the Admission Summary Progress Notes indicated Resident 1 was observed with periods of confusion and agitation. The Admission Summary Progress Notes further indicated Resident 1 was observed wandering and entering other resident rooms.</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.

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE	TITLE	(X6) DATE
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