

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 056308	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/03/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Heritage Rehabilitation Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 21414 S. Vermont Avenue Torrance, CA 90502	

For information on the nursing home's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the nursing home or the state survey agency.

(X4) ID PREFIX TAG	SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (Each deficiency must be preceded by full regulatory or LSC identifying information)
<p>F 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program.</p> <p>44443</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure two of two clean linen carts did not have unnecessary items such as a box of gloves, trash bags, assignment sheets, and container of perfumed body fragrance noted inside of the clean linen carts. 2. Ensure a box of clean gloves did not have soiled gloves inside for one of three resident rooms. <p>These deficient practices had the potential to result in cross contamination (process by which germs are unintentionally transferred from one object to another) and the spread of infections in the facility.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>During a concurrent observation and interview, on 4/2/2024, at 9:20 a.m., with Certified Nurse Assistant 2 (CNA 2), in the hallway, CNA 2 was observed to have trash bags, and an assignment sheet laying on top of clean linens inside of the clean linen cart. CNA 2 stated the gloves, trash bags, and assignment sheet were inside of the linen cart because there was no other place to put them. CNA 2 stated leaving the box of gloves, trash bags, and the assignment sheets inside of the linen cart can contaminate clean linen and spread infection to other residents.</p> <p>During a concurrent observation and interview on 4/2/2024, at 9:30 a.m., with CNA 1, in the hallway, CNA 1 was observed to have a pink bottle of body spray lying in between three (3) clean bath towels and four (4) clean sheets in the clean linen cart. CNA 1 stated the pink container of body spray should not be lying inside of the linen cart because of cross contamination that could spread infection to other residents.</p> <p>During a concurrent observation and interview on 4/2/2024, at 4:20 p.m., with CNA 3, in Resident 2's room, CNA 3 was observed grabbing two gloves from a box of gloves that had soiled gloves with brown substance. CNA 3 stated the soiled gloves should not be in the box of clean gloves because it can cause infection to another resident.</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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