

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 065235	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 03/04/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Pioneer Health Care Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 900 S 12th St Rocky Ford, CO 81067	

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 40960</p> <p>Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure two (#4 and #6) of four residents reviewed for abuse out of seven sample residents were kept free from abuse.</p> <p>Specifically, the facility failed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Protect Resident #4 from physical abuse by Resident #5; and, -Protect Resident #6 from physical abuse by Resident #2. <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy and procedure</p> <p>The Abuse and Neglect policy, undated, was provided by the director of nursing (DON) on 3/4/25 at 11:14 a. m. It read in pertinent part, Abuse is defined as the willful infliction of injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or punishment with resulting physical harm, pain or mental anguish.</p> <p>The physician and staff will help identify risk factors for abuse within the facility.</p> <p>The facility management and staff will institute measures to address the needs of residents and minimize the possibility of abuse and neglect.</p> <p>II. Incident of physical abuse towards Resident #4 by Resident #5 on 2/8/25</p> <p>A. Facility investigation</p> <p>The investigation documented the following:</p> <p>On 2/8/25 it was alleged that Resident #5 hit Resident #4 in the head while walking past her in the hall. The incident was witnessed by Resident #7. Both residents were placed on 15-minute checks. The facility substantiated the abuse.</p> <p>A. Resident #5 (assailant)</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 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #4 was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 11:16 p.m. Resident #4 said Resident #5 was mean and had attacked other women in the facility as well. She said Resident #5 punched her for no reason causing pain, redness and swelling to her right eye. She said the staff applied ice to her right eye/forehead and the following days she was left with bruising to her forehead.</p> <p>3. Record review</p> <p>Resident #4's social behavioral care plan, initiated 11/30/22, documented the resident expressed inappropriate social behaviors verbally/physically towards staff and other residents. She had the potential to be physically aggressive related to anger, depression, poor impulse control, refusing psychotropic medications, throwing dishes and breaking them while in a manic phase.</p> <p>Pertinent interventions included administering medications as ordered, notifying the psychiatrist if the resident was refusing medications, if resident was in a safe location and away from others while being verbally or physically aggressive let her decompress before reengaging with her or trying to redirect her to a different location, notifying the resident's family and physician of increased behavioral concerns, observing the resident during smoke breaks for potential triggers from other residents when she was manic and observing the resident often for self safety and the safety of others.</p> <p>Resident #4's behavioral care plan, initiated 2/8/25, documented the resident had a behavioral problem related to bipolar disorder and delusional disorder. Resident #4 had severe episodes of manic and depressive phases. She could become verbally aggressive/argumentative and had been physically aggressive. She had made inappropriate comments about other residents putting her at risk for harm.</p> <p>Pertinent interventions included acknowledging the resident's delusional beliefs and not arguing with the resident, administering medications as ordered, notifying the physician of refusals, anticipating and meeting the resident's needs, attempting/encouraging aromatherapy to de-escalate when manic and crisis intervention and advocacy as needed, encouraging/assisting the resident away from other residents as allowed when in a manic phase and monitoring behavior episodes and attempting to determine the underlying cause.</p> <p>A nursing progress note, dated 2/8/25 at 7:46 p.m., documented at approximately 4:00 p.m. the nurse was informed of the incident. Resident #4 reported Resident #5 made contact with her right eye. Both residents were kept separated. Resident #4 was assessed and noted to have a discolored reddish area above her right eye. The resident accepted ice wrapped in a towel.</p> <p>A nursing progress note, dated 2/9/25 at 10:36 p.m., documented Resident #4's neurological checks were being monitored and the site above her right eyebrow remained discolored yellow and green.</p> <p>D. Additional resident interviews</p> <p>Resident #7 was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 11:18 a.m. Resident #7 said she was walking down the hallway and witnessed Resident #5 hit Resident #4 in the face.</p> <p>E. Staff interviews</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Certified nurse aide (CNA) #2 was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 11:20 a.m. CNA #2 said Resident #5 wandered at times and paced. She said he liked his personal space and usually stayed to himself. She said she had heard he had aggressive behaviors with his peers, but had never witnessed those behaviors herself.</p> <p>Licensed practical nurse (LPN) #1 was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 11:25 a.m. LPN #1 said Resident #5 usually kept to himself. She said when he rejected care or said no, the staff knew to reapproach at a later time to avoid aggressive behaviors. She said she assumed Resident #4 was sitting in her wheelchair in the hallway where Resident #5 was pacing at the time of the incident. She said Resident #4 was very friendly and probably said hi to him, and Resident #5 may not have understood. LPN #1 said Resident #4 yelled my eye, my eye he got me in the eye. She said she placed ice wrapped in a towel on her right eye which was red. She said bruising developed the following days.</p> <p>The social services assistant (SSA) was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 2:25 p.m. The SSA said he had only been in his position for three weeks. He said he had not had any interactions with Resident #5 and was still in his training process. He said he had not heard of Resident #5 having any behaviors. He said he was still trying to learn who the residents were. He said he was in the process of familiarizing himself with the resident care plans and it was a work in progress.</p> <p>The DON was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 2:36 p.m. The DON said Resident #5 liked to pace back and forth and could have verbal outbursts and physical aggression but never actually hit a resident. She said the last incident involved physical contact with Resident #4. She said the staff would redirect him when he escalated. She said they had even tried a sensory program with therapy to identify a root cause for his behaviors.</p> <p>III. Incident of physical abuse between Resident #6 and Resident #2 on 2/16/25</p> <p>A. Facility investigation</p> <p>The investigation documented the following:</p> <p>On 2/16/25 it was alleged that Resident #6 pushed Resident #2. However, after review of the facility cameras, it was determined that Resident #2 pushed Resident #6. Resident #6 said Resident #2 hit and pushed her. Resident #2 was placed on line of sight monitoring.</p> <p>The facility unsubstantiated the abuse allegation.</p> <p>-However, abuse occurred when Resident #2 pushed Resident #6.</p> <p>A. Resident #2 (assailant)</p> <p>1. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #2, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE] and readmitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2025 CPO, diagnoses included unspecified dementia with behavioral disturbances, Alzheimer's disease, bipolar disorder, insomnia due to mental disorder, vascular dementia, restlessness and agitation.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The 12/12/24 MDS assessment revealed the resident had moderate cognitive impairments with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of 10 out of 15. She required moderate assistance with bathing. She required set-up assistance with oral hygiene, upper/lower body dressing, personal hygiene, putting on/off footwear, sitting to stand, toilet transfers and walking. She received an antipsychotic medication and an antidepressant medication.</p> <p>2. Record review</p> <p>Resident #2's mood/behavior care plan, initiated on 4/17/23, documented she had mood/behavior problems related to bipolar disorder, vascular dementia, Alzheimer's disease, insomnia, restlessness, agitation and making false accusations about other residents. She had resident-to-resident altercations which she initiated and was the aggressor.</p> <p>Pertinent interventions included administering medications as ordered, anticipating and meeting the residents needs, providing behavioral health consults, ensuring the resident was in line of sight when out of her room, providing frequent checks for the resident's safety, redirecting the resident and providing one-to-one care when needed.</p> <p>A nursing progress note, dated 2/16/25 at 9:28 p.m., documented the staff reported a resident-to-resident altercation between Resident #2 and Resident #6 took place in the hallway. The residents were separated, interviewed and assessed for injury. No injuries were observed on either resident. Labs were ordered for Resident #6.</p> <p>A risk review note, dated 2/18/25 at 10:01 a.m., documented Resident #2 reported to staff that Resident #6 made contact with her on the previous shift. The incident was not observed by staff at the time of the report. Upon further investigation it was noted that in fact the initial alleged victim (Resident #2) was the aggressor.</p> <p>C. Resident #6 (victim)</p> <p>1. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #6, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2025 CPO, diagnoses included major depressive disorder, unspecified dementia, anxiety disorder, muscle weakness, vascular dementia and collapsed vertebra (back).</p> <p>The 2/6/25 MDS assessment revealed the resident had severe cognitive impairments with a BIMS score of seven out of 15. She had hallucinations and delusions. She required maximal assistance with toileting hygiene and bathing. She was independent with positioning, transfers and walking. She received an antipsychotic medication.</p> <p>2. Resident interview</p> <p>Resident #6 was interviewed on 3/4/25 at 11:03 a.m. Resident #6 said Resident #2 pushed her and she fell . She said she did not know why. She said it hurt, but she did not get injured.</p> <p>3. Record review</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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