

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  065358	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  06/17/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Life Care Center of Westminster		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  7751 Zenobia CT Westminster, CO 80030	

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F 0600  Level of Harm - Actual harm  Residents Affected - Few	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 40960</p> <p>Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure one (#1) of three residents out of three sample residents was kept free from neglect.</p> <p>Resident #1, who had a known history of falls and was dependent on staff for transfers, had a documented plan of care which required the assistance of two staff members for transfers with a mechanical lift. The resident was unable to perform a stand and pivot transfer related to her diagnosis of cerebral palsy (affects the body movement, muscle control, reflexes, posture and balance).</p> <p>On 1/26/24 a facility certified nurse aide (CNA) requested assistance from an agency CNA to help transfer Resident #1 from a shower chair to the resident's wheelchair with a mechanical lift. Despite Resident #1 and the facility CNA informing the agency staff that the resident was a mechanical lift transfer, the agency CNA proceeded to transfer Resident #1 by herself by standing the resident up and pivoting her to the wheelchair.</p> <p>Per Resident #1, when the agency CNA transferred her without the use of the mechanical lift, her left leg bent under the wheelchair and she heard some pops. Resident #1 reported to the facility staff that she hit her left knee and it hurt. The facility obtained an x-ray of the left knee on 1/27/24 which did not reveal any fractures and a physical therapy evaluation was ordered for a knee splint.</p> <p>On 1/29/24 a physician's order was obtained for an emergency computed tomography (CT) scan of Resident #1's left knee. The resident was transferred to the hospital for the CT scan, which revealed Resident #1 had sustained an acute fracture of her left femur (thigh bone).</p> <p>Due to the facility's failure to ensure the agency CNA transferred Resident #1 using the appropriate transfer method, Resident #1 sustained a fracture to her left femur.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy and procedure</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 - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The Abuse and Neglect policy, revised 5/15/2020, was provided by the director of nursing (DON) on 6/17/24 at 12:12 p.m. It revealed in pertinent part, Neglect means the failure of the facility, its employees or service providers, to provide goods and services to a resident that are necessary to avoid physical harm, pain, mental anguish or emotional distress. Neglect may be the result of a pattern of failures or may be the result of one or more failures involving one resident and one staff person.</p> <p>Residents must not be subjected to abuse by anyone. This includes, but is not limited to, staff, other residents, consultants, volunteers, staff from other agencies serving our residents, family members, the resident's representative, friends or any other individuals.</p> <p>It is the policy and practice of this facility that all residents will be protected from all types of abuse, neglect, misappropriation of resident property and exploitation.</p> <p>It is the policy of this facility to prevent and prohibit all types of abuse, neglect and misappropriation of resident property and exploitation.</p> <p>The Mechanical Lift policy, revised 5/17/22, was provided by the DON on 6/17/24 at 12:12 p.m. It revealed in pertinent part, The procedure of the facility upon admission will be to assess the resident to determine transfer status. The transfer information will be captured in the medical record and communicated through the care plan.</p> <p>The facility will provide education upon hire and annually to staff members on the proper use of lifts in accordance with the manufacturer guidelines. The education will include the need to have two staff members present during the transfer.</p> <p>II. Facility investigation of the incident on 1/26/24</p> <p>The 1/26/24 facility investigation revealed the facility reported an allegation of neglect to the State agency occurrence site. It revealed an agency CNA transferred Resident #1 from the shower chair to her wheelchair via a stand and pivot transfer. The CNA did not utilize the mechanical lift required for all transfers of Resident #1. The facility substantiated the allegation and indicated the agency CNA was not to return to the facility.</p> <p>III. Resident #1</p> <p>A. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #1, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE] and readmitted on [DATE]. According to the June 2024 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included cerebral palsy, difficulty in walking, muscle weakness, history of falling, abnormal posture and fracture of the left femur.</p> <p>The 5/3/24 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed the resident was cognitively intact with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of 15 out of 15. She had impairment to both sides of her lower and upper extremities. She used a wheelchair and was dependent on staff for transfers. She received scheduled and as needed pain medications as well as non-medication interventions for pain. She received opioid medication.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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