

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 11/13/2024
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<p>F 0550</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> <p>Note: The nursing home is disputing this citation.</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to a dignified existence, self-determination, communication, and to exercise his or her rights.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 47960</p> <p>Based on interviews and record reviews, the facility failed to ensure residents had the right to a dignified existence for two (#1 and #3) of three residents out of three sample residents</p> <p>Specifically, the facility failed to ensure residents' call lights were answered in a timely manner.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy</p> <p>The Resident Rights policy and procedure, revised on 9/10/24, was received from the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 11/11/24 at 11:54 a.m. It revealed in pertinent part At the time of admission and periodically throughout their stay, the facility will inform each resident, orally and in writing, of their rights. The resident has a right to a dignified existence, self-determination, and communication with and access to persons and services inside and outside the facility.</p> <p>A facility must treat each resident with respect and dignity and care for each resident in a manner and in an environment that promotes maintenance or enhancement of his or her quality of life, recognizing each resident's individuality. The facility must protect and promote the rights of the resident.</p> <p>The resident has the right to reside and receive services in the facility with reasonable accommodations of resident preferences except when to do so would endanger the reality and safety of the resident or other residents.</p> <p>The resident has the right to make choices about aspects of his or her life in the facility that are significant to the resident.</p> <p>II. Resident interviews</p> <p>Resident #1 was interviewed on 11/12/24 at 1:00 p.m. Resident #1 said the NHA and the director of nursing (DON) had never responded to her call light. She said she had to wait a long time for help when she pushed her call light button for assistance. She said when staff took a long time to respond to her call light, it made her feel neglected and like no one cared.</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 0550</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> <p>Note: The nursing home is disputing this citation.</p>	<p>Resident #3 was interviewed on 11/13/24 at 8:58 a.m. Resident #3 said she had waited 30 minutes to three hours for someone to answer her call light recently. She said she had never had the NHA or the DON respond to her call light. Resident #3 said it made her feel neglected when she could not get the help she needed in a reasonable amount of time.</p> <p>III. Call light observations</p> <p>Resident call light observations were conducted on 11/12/24 The following was observed:</p> <p>At 10:44 a.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] was activated.</p> <p>At 10:54 a.m. the NHA entered room [ROOM NUMBER] and deactivated the light.</p> <p>At 12:56 a.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] was activated.</p> <p>At 1:01 p.m. an unidentified male staff member walked past the room.</p> <p>At 1:02 p.m. an unidentified female staff member walked past the room.</p> <p>At 1:03 p.m. the same unidentified female staff member walked past the room again.</p> <p>At 1:06 p.m. a second unidentified female staff member walked past the room.</p> <p>At 1:07 p.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] was deactivated when a third unidentified female staff member entered the room.</p> <p>-Three different unidentified staff members walked past the activated call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] on four separate occasions before a fourth unidentified staff member answered the call light, 11 minutes after it was activated.</p> <p>At 1:08 p.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] was activated. A family member entered the hallway looking for assistance. An unidentified housekeeper walked past the room twice.</p> <p>At 1:12 p.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] was deactivated when a nurse entered the room.</p> <p>-Despite a family member attempting to get assistance for the resident who resided in room [ROOM NUMBER], an unidentified housekeeper walked past the activated call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] without attempting to answer the call light or see what the resident needed.</p> <p>At 1:47 p.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] was activated. There were four staff members standing at the nurses station, including the DON. None of the staff members answered the call light.</p> <p>At 1:52 p.m. there were two nurses and two certified nurse aides (CNA) standing at the desk. None of the staff members answered the call light in room [ROOM NUMBER].</p> <p>At 1:57 p.m. one of the nurses walked down the hallway towards room [ROOM NUMBER] but did not answer the call light.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0550</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> <p>Note: The nursing home is disputing this citation.</p>	<p>At 2:01 p.m. a CNA entered room [ROOM NUMBER] and deactivated the call light.</p> <p>-The resident's call light in room [ROOM NUMBER] was not answered until 14 minutes after it was answered, despite several staff members, including the DON, being present at the nurses station.</p> <p>-One nurse walked past the activated call light in room [ROOM NUMBER], 10 minutes after the call light was activated, however, the nurse did not attempt to answer the resident's call light.</p> <p>At 2:03 p.m. the call light for room [ROOM NUMBER] and room [ROOM NUMBER] were activated. Four staff members walked past the rooms without answering the call lights.</p> <p>At 2:06 p.m. the NHA entered room [ROOM NUMBER] and deactivated the call light.</p> <p>At 2:43 p.m. the call lights for room [ROOM NUMBER] and room [ROOM NUMBER] were activated. There were three staff members standing at the nurses station.</p> <p>At 2:46 p.m. the NHA entered room [ROOM NUMBER] and deactivated the call light.</p> <p>At 2:47 p.m. the NHA entered room [ROOM NUMBER] and deactivated the call light.</p> <p>IV. Staff interviews</p> <p>CNA #1 was interviewed on 11/12/24 at 2:49 p.m. CNA #1 said she had been working in the facility since September 2024. She said one night, toward the end of September 2024, she was the only CNA on the entire unit. She said staffing had gotten better but she did not think the facility had enough staff scheduled to meet residents' needs in a timely manner.</p> <p>The NHA was interviewed on 11/13/24 at 10:20 a.m. The NHA said he expected staff to respond to call lights within 15 minutes. He said all staff were expected to respond to and answer call lights, however, he said not all staff may be able to assist the resident depending on their needs. The NHA said if he saw staff walking past a call light without stopping in to check on residents, the staff members would get a verbal warning for not answering call lights.</p>		

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