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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</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><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure an environment free from risk of accidents and hazards for three (#106, #37 and #10) of six residents reviewed for accident hazards out of 42 sample residents. Specifically, the facility failed to: -Ensure Resident #106 was transported appropriately in the facility transportation vehicle, which resulted in a fall from the resident's wheelchair causing fractures to both of her lower extremities; -Ensure Resident #37's care planned fall interventions were consistently implemented by staff in order to prevent multiple falls for the resident, including one with major injury; and, -Ensure the interdisciplinary team (IDT) reviewed Resident #37 and Resident #10's falls in a timely manner in order to determine if the residents' fall interventions were appropriate or if new fall interventions were needed. Resident #106, who was admitted to the facility on [DATE], had impairments to both lower extremities, used a wheelchair for mobility and was dependent on staff assistance for transfers. On 1/30/26 Resident #106 was being transported in her wheelchair, without the foot pedals attached, in a facility transportation vehicle to an outside appointment when her upper body began sliding forward in her wheelchair. When the facility transportation driver pulled over on the side of the road, Resident #106 slid further forward in her wheelchair and struck her lower legs on a structure in the transportation van, resulting in fractures to both of the resident's tibias (the larger of the two bones in the lower leg, connecting the knee to the ankle). The facility's failure to prevent an accident on a facility transportation vehicle resulted in serious harm to Resident #106 and continued to place residents at risk for serious harm or death if not corrected immediately. Additionally, Resident #37, who was admitted to the facility on [DATE], was determined by the facility to be at high risk for falls. Between 5/27/25 and 3/7/26, Resident #37 sustained 16 falls, with the fall on 3/7/26 resulting in a laceration to the resident's right cheek which required transport to the hospital's emergency department where the resident was diagnosed with a maxillary sinus fracture (involves broken bones in the upper jaw/cheek area). The facility implemented fall interventions for Resident #37's falls, however, the interventions were not consistently implemented in a timely manner and observations during the survey revealed care planned fall interventions were not being consistently implemented by staff. Additionally, the facility failed to identify and document fall interventions in a timely manner for Resident #10, who sustained five falls between 9/25/25 and 2/11/26.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Immediate Jeopardy</p> <p>A. Situation of immediate jeopardy</p> <p>On 1/30/26, Resident #106 was being transported in her wheelchair, without the foot pedals attached, in a facility transportation vehicle to an outside appointment when her upper body began sliding (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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>he had been trained on, since the training had not been documented. She said that the van driver and the central supply coordinator were the only van drivers for the facility and if they had questions, they could contact the DON or the assistant director of nursing (ADON), however neither the DON or ADON had been trained on transportation. The NHA said she was unable to find any of the training that the central supply coordinator might have received prior to training the current van driver. The NHA said after the accident involving Resident #106, the van driver admitted he did not use the seatbelt as intended, but the NHA said she did not complete any investigation into the misuse of the seatbelt.</p> <p>The MTD was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 3:12 p.m. The MTD said he had been working at the facility since January 2025 as a maintenance assistant and was promoted to the maintenance director in November 2025. He said that he completed the monthly checks of the van with a specific checklist but the checklist was not specific to the van itself, but only to a medical transport vehicle. The MTD said he did not get any training specific to the van and he said he was not sure if there was an operations manual in the van's glove box. He said he never received any competencies as far as training for the van. The MTD said if the van driver had an emergency related to simple mechanics of the van, such as oil changes or flat tires, he (the MTD) could assist with that, but he said things that were more complicated and specific to the van, he was not trained to assist with.</p> <p>IV. Failed to ensure falls were reviewed by IDT timely and staff were consistently implementing care planned fall interventions to prevent a fall with major injury for Resident #37</p> <p>A. Resident #37</p> <p>1. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #37, age greater than 85, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 CPO, diagnoses included vascular dementia, muscle wasting and atrophy, difficulty in walking, fracture of nasal bones and laceration of right cheek and temporomandibular area (area around the temple and cheek of the face).</p> <p>The 3/10/26 MDS assessment revealed the resident was severely cognitively impaired with a BIMS score of five out of 15. The resident required partial to maximal assistance from staff for most activities of daily living (ADL).</p> <p>2. Record review</p> <p>The fall care plan, revised 12/10/25, revealed Resident #37 was at risk for falls due to his history of falls, diagnoses of vascular dementia, chronic respiratory failure, hearing loss, weakness, decreased mobility, psychotropic medication use and bowel and bladder incontinence. Pertinent interventions included assisting Resident #37 to the bathroom after each meal (initiated 8/29/25 and again on 12/20/25), assisting the resident to the bathroom before meals (initiated 2/21/26), using a non-recording video monitor in the resident's room (initiated 9/13/25), prompting the resident to void every two hours while awake (initiated 9/3/25), offering assistance with transfers to furniture in the common area (initiated 1/29/26), and using a fall mat at the resident's bedside for safety (initiated 3/9/26).</p> <p>A fall risk evaluation, completed 4/26/25, revealed Resident #37 was at a high risk for falls.</p> <p>A fall risk evaluation, completed 11/9/25, revealed Resident #37 was at a high risk for falls. (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>An IDT note, dated 5/27/25 at 3:21 p.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after an unwitnessed fall on 5/26/25. Resident #37 was attempting to self-transfer to the bathroom and fell due to gait imbalance, weakness and poor safety awareness. New interventions included a bedside floor mat while in bed, and prompted voiding before bed.</p> <p>An IDT note, dated 8/29/25 at 12:21 p.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after an unwitnessed fall on 8/26/25. Resident #37 had a skin tear to his left inner thumb and first digit. Resident #37 had poor safety awareness, was often forgetful and did not utilize his call light, and attempted to ambulate independently to the bathroom. New interventions included staff assisting Resident #37 to the bathroom after meals and an occupational therapy evaluation.</p> <p>An IDT note, dated 9/9/25 at 10:28 a.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after an unwitnessed fall on 9/5/25. Resident #37 had an abrasion to his right lateral leg. Predisposing factors included not utilizing his call light, weakness, impaired memory, poor safety awareness, confusion, and ambulating without assistance. New interventions included moving Resident #37's room closer to staff and an occupational therapy evaluation.</p> <p>-However, an occupational therapy evaluation was recommended as an intervention after the resident's previous fall on 8/26/25 (see above).</p> <p>An IDT note, dated 9/9/25 at 11:12 a.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after an unwitnessed fall on 9/6/25. Resident #37 sustained a contusion to the back of his head with two puncture wounds. Resident #37 had poor safety awareness and did not comply with the occupational therapy recommendations or utilize his call light for assistance. Resident #37 believed he was safe to transfer himself and lost his balance, resulting in a ground-level fall. Resident #37 had been taken to the bathroom [ROOM NUMBER] minutes prior to the fall but said he was trying to go to the bathroom.</p> <p>An IDT note, dated 10/6/25 at 3:12 p.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after a witnessed fall on 10/3/25. Resident #37 was in his room with a CNA who was placing a coffee cup on his table. Resident #37 wanted to be handed the coffee cup and attempted to stand, resulting in a ground-level fall. Resident #37 was impulsive and forgetful of his limitations. New interventions included ensuring Resident #37 was completely transferred into bed prior to finishing ADL tasks to prevent Resident #37 from standing up or transferring by himself.</p> <p>An IDT note, dated 11/10/25 at 12:03 p.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after an unwitnessed fall on 11/9/25. Resident #37 had poor safety awareness and continued to try to get up without assistance from his wheelchair. Resident #37 had poor balance, gait and strength resulting in a ground-level fall. New interventions included a pharmacy review for Resident #37 as he was on multiple stool softeners which may have increased his need to use the bathroom.</p> <p>An IDT note, dated 12/19/25 at 1:58 p.m., revealed Resident #37 was reviewed by the IDT team after an unwitnessed fall on 12/15/25. Resident #37 was in the common area and had po</p>		

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<p>F 0812</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Procure food from sources approved or considered satisfactory and store, prepare, distribute and serve food in accordance with professional standards.</p> <p>Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure food was prepared, distributed and served under sanitary conditions in the main kitchen. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure ready-to-eat foods were handled in a sanitary manner to prevent cross-contamination. Findings include: I. Professional reference According to The Colorado Retail Food Establishment Regulations, (3/16/24), retrieved on 3/18/26, Food employees may not contact exposed, ready-to-eat food with their bare hands and shall use suitable utensils such as deli tissue, spatulas, tongs, single-use gloves, or dispensing equipment. (3-301.11) II. Observations During a continuous observation of the lunch meal service on 3/11/26, beginning at 10:20 a.m. and ending at 12:40 p.m., the following was observed: At 10:52 a.m. cook (CK) #1 began preparing a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Using gloved hands, CK #1 opened a plastic bread bag and retrieved two pieces of bread before putting them on the food preparation table. CK #1 walked into the dishwashing area and grabbed a knife and spoon. CK #1 then used his gloved hand to open the door to the walk-in refrigerator to retrieve a container of jelly. CK #1 returned to the food preparation area, picked up one piece of bread and held it in his gloved hand while he spread peanut butter on the bread. CK #1 then repeated this process while applying jelly to the other piece of bread. CK #1 closed the sandwich and held it in his hand as he walked into the dirty dish area to retrieve a clean plate. CK #1 then sent the sandwich out to the servers to be served to a resident. -CK #1 failed to change his gloves and perform hand hygiene after opening the door to the walk-in refrigerator to retrieve the jar of jelly and prior to picking up the pieces of bread and making the peanut butter and jelly sandwich. At 10:58 a.m. CK #1 was wearing gloves on each hand. CK #1 grabbed a small metal container and used a ladle to pour butter from a pot on the stove into the metal container. CK #1 used a brush to brush the butter from the metal container onto a baking sheet full of dinner rolls. CK #1 then used his same gloved hands to grab handfuls of the dinner rolls and place them into a steam table bin on the tray line. -CK #1 failed to change his gloves and perform hand hygiene after using the brush to brush butter on the baking sheet of rolls prior to handling the dinner rolls. At 11:06 a.m. the regional dietary supervisor began prepping ingredients for chef salads. The regional dietary supervisor donned gloves and used his gloved hands to unwrap plastic packaging containing pre-peeled boiled eggs. The regional dietary supervisor used his gloved hands to remove several handfuls of eggs and place them on a cutting board, and held the eggs to steady them as he cut them up. Using the same gloved hands, the regional dietary supervisor picked up the sliced egg pieces and put them into a metal container. -The regional dietary supervisor failed to change his gloves and perform hand hygiene after opening the packaging on the eggs and prior to handling the boiled eggs. At 11:08 a.m. CK #1 was wearing gloves on each hand. CK #1 put on oven mitts on both hands and removed a baking sheet full of dinner rolls from the oven. CK #1 removed the oven mitts and began using a brush to brush butter onto the dinner rolls. CK #1 opened the lid of one of the steam table bins and, using the same gloved hands, began to pick up handfuls of the dinner rolls and put them into the steam table bin. -CK #1 failed to change his gloves and perform hand hygiene after using oven mitts to remove the sheet of dinner rolls from the oven and prior to handling the dinner rolls with his hands. At 11:16 a.m. the regional dietary supervisor began putting together the chef salads. The regional dietary supervisor used his gloved hands to open a plastic bag of shredded lettuce, then used the same gloved hands to grab handfuls of the lettuce out of the bag and put them into two bowls. The regional dietary supervisor removed the lettuce and threw it in the trash can, opened the door to the walk-in refrigerator with his gloved hand and retrieved a new package of lettuce. The regional dietary supervisor then used the same gloved hands to open the new bag of lettuce and put handfuls of lettuce into two bowls. The regional dietary supervisor then used the same gloved hands to grab handfuls of the cut up boiled egg pieces and pieces of ham before adding them to the salad bowls. -The regional dietary supervisor failed to change his gloves and perform hand (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0812</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>hygiene after handling the outside packaging of both packages of lettuce and prior to handling the lettuce, boiled eggs and ham while making the salads. At 11:30 a.m. CK #1 was prepping hamburgers. CK #1 used his gloved hands to grab a hamburger bun off of the grill and placed the hamburger patty on the bun using a spatula. CK #1 briefly held the hamburger and bun in his hand before placing it on a plate. CK #1 used his gloved hand to unwrap plastic wrap covering containers of hamburger toppings, then used the same gloved hands to grab a handful of lettuce and place it on top of the hamburger. CK #1 then used the same gloved hand to grab several pickle slices and put them on the hamburger patty. -CK #1 failed to change his gloves and perform hand hygiene after using the spatula and unwrapping the outer plastic wrap on the hamburger toppings and prior to handling the hamburger and bun, lettuce and pickle slices. At 11:45 a.m. CK #1 began assembling another hamburger. CK #1 grabbed a hamburger bun off of the grill using his gloved hand and put it on a plate. CK #1 used a spatula with his gloved hand and placed a hamburger patty on top of the bun. CK #1 then used the same gloved hand to retrieve the top hamburger bun from the grill before applying it to the hamburger. CK #1 repeated this process at 12:29 p.m. when preparing five more hamburgers. -CK #1 failed to change his gloves after touching serving utensils and prior to handling the hamburger buns and hamburgers. III. Staff interview The regional dietary supervisor was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 3:05 p.m. The regional dietary supervisor said ready-to-eat foods should be handled with single use/single task gloves. The dietary supervisor said the kitchen staff members should change their gloves when going from task to task.</p>		

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<p>F 0838</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Conduct and document a facility-wide assessment to determine what resources are necessary to care for residents competently during both day-to-day operations (including nights and weekends) and emergencies.</p> <p>Based on record review, and staff interviews, the facility failed to conduct and document a facility-wide assessment to determine and identify what resources are necessary to care for its residents appropriately during both day-to-day operations and emergencies. Specifically, the facility failed to develop a facility assessment that was facility specific to include, resources, training and specifics about the resident population. Findings include: I. Record review The facility assessment was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 11:00 a.m. The facility assessment revealed it was last reviewed on 5/8/25 by the NHA. The facility assessment failed to: -Include staff competencies that were necessary to provide the level and types of care needed for the resident population. -Include a staff training program to ensure any training needs were met for all new and existing staff. -Identify all contracts, memoranda of understanding and other agreements to provide services or equipment to the facility during day to day operations and emergencies. -Identify facility resources needed to provide competent resident support during day-to-day operations and emergencies. -Identify how the facility evaluated what policies and procedures may be required in the provision of care, and how the facility would ensure policies and procedures meet current professional standards of practice. -Create a facility assessment that was accurate and unique to the facility. The assessment failed to include the secured unit was only for female residents. -Identify the areas of a facility-based and community-based risk assessment, utilizing an all-hazards approach. -Identify how a translator would be obtained for non-English speaking residents. II. Staff interviews The social services director (SSD) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 9:30 a.m. The SSD said the secured unit had 19 residents and it was for female residents only. -However, the facility assessment failed to include that the secured unit was only for female residents (see above). The director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 7:45 p.m. The DON said the facility had contracts with an oxygen company, laboratory company and also an Xray company. -However, the facility assessment failed to include the contracts with the oxygen, laboratory and Xray companies (see above). The DON said the facility admitted residents who were non-English speaking. She said the facility currently had a resident who understood some English, however it was not her primary language and that a translation line was available to be used by staff. -However, the facility assessment failed to identify how a translator would be obtained for non-English speaking residents (see above). The NHA was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 7:00 p.m. The NHA said the facility assessment was reviewed yearly. She said the interdisciplinary team (IDT) additionally reviewed and participated in the development. During the interview, the facility assessment was reviewed with the NHA. She acknowledged the assessment did not include any training, staffing plans, contracts held by the facility or the areas of emergency hazards which were identified by the facility. The NHA acknowledged the facility assessment additionally did not contain specific information in regards to the all-female resident secured unit.</p>		

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<p>F 0867</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Set up an ongoing quality assessment and assurance group to review quality deficiencies and develop corrective plans of action.</p> <p>Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure an effective quality assurance program to identify and address facility compliance concerns was implemented in order to facilitate improvement in the lives of nursing home residents through continuous attention to quality of care, quality of life, and resident safety. Specifically, the quality assurance performance improvement (QAPI) program committee failed to identify and address concerns related to quality of life and quality of care. Findings include: I. Review of the facility's regulatory record revealed it failed to operate a QAPI program in a manner to prevent repeat deficiencies and initiate a plan to correct F600 Abuse prevention During the recertification survey on 11/3/22, F600 was cited at a D level scope and severity, no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that is not immediate jeopardy, isolated. During the recertification survey on 2/8/24, F600 was cited at a D level scope and severity, no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that is not immediate jeopardy, isolated. During the abbreviated survey on 3/6/25, F600 was cited at a G level scope and severity, actual harm that is not immediate jeopardy, isolated. II. Cross-reference citation Cross-reference F689: The facility failed to prevent an accident on a facility transportation vehicle resulting in major injuries for one resident. The facility failed to ensure Resident #106 was secured properly in a facility transportation vehicle on 1/30/26, resulting in the resident sustaining multiple fractures to her lower extremities. Additionally, the facility failed to address concerns regarding transportation staff training and proper fastening of restraints for residents during transportation. The facility's failure to safely transport residents created an immediate jeopardy (IJ) situation with actual serious harm. III. Staff interviews The medical director (MD) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 4:00 p.m. The MD said he had been the MD for the facility for the last year. The MD said he attended the QAPI meetings regularly and came into the facility as needed. The MD said he was informed about the accident involving Resident #106 on 1/30/26 after it had occurred, and said the facility was good at communicating with him about any concerns. The MD said he provided guidance to the facility staff if there were any changes in standards of practice. The nursing home administrator (NHA) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 7:24 p.m. The NHA said the QAPI committee included the MD, the director of nursing (DON), the interdisciplinary team (IDT) and herself. The NHA said the QAPI committee met monthly and followed a standard agenda each month with any QAPI plans or survey trends addressed as needed. The NHA said the QAPI committee used several methods to self-identify concerns, including morning meetings each morning, performing audits, investigating trends and reviewing resident council minutes. The NHA said concerns with abuse were previously identified due to findings from abbreviated surveys. The NHA said the facility consistently trained and educated the facility staff on abuse. The NHA said the QAPI team had also identified concerns regarding abuse reporting the year prior due to abbreviated surveys during that period. The NHA said the facility had investigated the verbal abuse incidents but had seen the incident with Resident #37 as a resident's behaviors rather than abuse. The NHA said the QAPI committee had identified and addressed the concerns regarding the incident with Resident #106 on 1/30/26 but thought the facility's failures stemmed from ensuring their documentation was in order.</p>		

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<p>F 0565</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to organize and participate in resident/family groups in the facility.</p> <p>Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to provide response, action and rationale to residents involved in group grievances. Specifically, the facility failed to effectively address, resolve and follow up with residents on the outcomes and resolutions of grievances expressed. Findings include: I. Facility policy and procedure The Grievance and Concern policy, undated, was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 1:31p.m. It read in pertinent part, Residents have the right to receive a written decision on the grievance. The grievance coordinator, or designee, will confer with persons involved in the incident and other relevant persons. Within three days of receiving the grievance, the grievance coordinator shall provide an explanation of the finding and proposed remedies to the complainant and the aggrieved party. II. Resident group interview Six residents (#23, #26, #41, #1, #53 and #70) who regularly attended the resident council meetings were interviewed on 3/11/26 at 10:00 a.m. The residents were identified as alert and oriented by the facility and assessment. The group of residents said the facility did not follow up on grievances brought up in the food council meetings. Resident #23 said when a grievance came up in the food council meeting, the department head tried to address it during the meeting, however, the same concerns continued to be brought up every month. She said the residents had started up their own separate committee to follow up amongst themselves if things in the food council meeting had been addressed or not. Resident #23 said the staff who used the ordering tablets did not know how to use them properly and this caused incorrect meal orders to be entered. Resident #41 said the staff did not offer healthy snacks to the residents, only sugary snacks. All the residents said that they were refused fresh fruit because it was seasonal and they continually did not get soup varieties or homemade soup. III. Record review A review of the food council meeting minutes, dated 1/13/26, revealed the residents brought up concerns regarding staff needing more training on communication. A review of the food council meeting minutes, dated 2/5/26, revealed the residents brought up concerns regarding wanting more fresh fruit and homemade (not canned) soups. A review of the food council meeting minutes, dated 3/5/26, revealed the residents brought up concerns regarding cold room trays, a lack of consistency in room tray delivery times, missing room tray meals, a desire for low sodium soup options and a request for fresh fruit. A review of the food council grievances provided by the NHA on 3/12/26 at 1:57 p.m., revealed a general concern form, dated 3/5/26, referencing resolutions to concerns had been addressed in meeting minutes. The NHA attached the 3/5/26 meeting minutes which revealed the following; Concerns regarding cold room trays would be looked into. Room tray delivery times had been posted. A QAPI (quality assurance and performance improvement) committee would review the missing meals and increased monitoring and staff education would occur. The kitchen needed time to adjust before the concern of low sodium soups not being provided could be addressed. The residents were reminded fresh fruit would have to wait on availability. -A review of the March 2026 grievances and the resident council meeting minutes failed to reveal the facility had followed up with any of the individual residents or the food council as a group regarding what had been done to resolve their concerns after the January 2026, February 2026 or March 2026 meetings. IV. Staff interviews The social services director (SSD) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 11:30 a.m. The SSD said grievances and concerns brought up in the food council meetings were not written up as a grievance and resolutions were discussed with the residents at the time of the meeting. The regional dietary supervisor was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 2:27 p.m. The regional dietary supervisor said he recently took over the dietary services in the last two weeks and he had not attended a food council meeting yet. The regional dietary supervisor said if a concern or grievance was brought up in the food council meeting, a formal grievance form should be completed, addressed by his department, and a resolution should be brought back to the residents. He said he was not aware of some of the concerns the residents brought up in the food council meetings, but he said now that he was aware, he would begin to address the concerns and follow up with the residents to determine what resolutions would be satisfactory for them.</p>		

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<p>F 0761</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Ensure drugs and biologicals used in the facility are labeled in accordance with currently accepted professional principles; and all drugs and biologicals must be stored in locked compartments, separately locked, compartments for controlled drugs.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure proper storage of medications for one of one medication storage room and three of five medication storage carts. Specifically, the facility failed to:-Ensure eye drops, insulin vials, tuberculin (TB) serum vials and nebulizer medications were dated with the dates they were opened;-Ensure expired medications were discarded; and,-Ensure expired medical supplies were discarded. Findings include: I. Professional reference According to the manufacturer [NAME] Lilly, Learn How to Use a Vial and Syringe for Lispro (Humalog), December, 2025, retrieved on 3/16/26 from <a href="https://insulins.lilly.com/humalog">https://insulins.lilly.com/humalog</a>, Once opened, Humalog vials, prefilled pens, and cartridges should be thrown away after 28 days even if it still contains insulin. According to manufacturer Sanofi Pasteur Limited, beyond use date, December 2025, retrieved on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://www.fda.gov/2026">https://www.fda.gov/2026</a>, A vial of Tubersol which has been entered and in use for 30 days should be discarded. According to manufacturer [NAME] Laboratories, beyond use date, September 2025, retrieved on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://gentealtears.mylalcon.com">https://gentealtears.mylalcon.com</a>, It is good standard practice to date an ophthalmic (eye) medication upon opening, as the date should be tracked to reduce risk of using contaminated products. GenTeal eye drops should be discarded 90 days from opening. According to manufacturer Allergan, beyond use date, April 2024, retrieved on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://www.hdrxservices.com/Ophthalmic-Medication-Beyond-Use-Date-Guide-Apr-2024">https://www.hdrxservices.com/Ophthalmic-Medication-Beyond-Use-Date-Guide-Apr-2024</a>, Refresh Tears eye drops should be discarded 90 days from opening. According to manufacturer Teva, beyond use date, 2026, retrieved on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://www.tevausea.com">https://www.tevausea.com</a>. Open lidocaine patches that have not been used after 14 days should be discarded to avoid using a patch that is no longer effective. According to manufacturer Nephron Pharmaceuticals, beyond use date, 2026, retrieved on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://nephronpharm.com/products/ipratropium-bromide-05-mg-and-albuterol-sulfate-3-mg">https://nephronpharm.com/products/ipratropium-bromide-05-mg-and-albuterol-sulfate-3-mg</a>, Vials should be protected from light before use, therefore, keep unused vials in the foil pouch or carton. Vials should be used within two weeks once removed from the foil package. II. Facility policy and procedure The Storage of Medications policy, undated, was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 1:00 p.m. It read in pertinent part, The facility shall store all drugs and biologicals in a safe, secure, and orderly manner. Drugs and biologicals shall be stored in the packaging, containers or other dispensing systems in which they are received. Only the issuing pharmacy is authorized to transfer medications between containers. The nursing staff shall be responsible for maintaining medication storage and preparation areas in a clean, safe, and sanitary manner. The facility shall not use discontinued, outdated, or deteriorated drugs or biologicals. All such drugs shall be returned to the dispensing pharmacy or destroyed. III. Observations and interviews On 3/10/26 at 4:16 p.m. the medication storage room was reviewed with licensed practical nurse (LPN) #1. The following items were found:-One vial of TB serum that was opened and was not dated.-Four 0.5 milliliter (ml) pre-filled syringes of Flucelvax that expired 6/30/25.-Two hydrocortisone acetate 25 milligram (mg) suppositories that expired October 2025.-One blood collection set with seven-inch tubing that expired 4/30/25.-28 Luer Lock caps (used to seal the connectors on an intravenous (IV) catheter) that expired 11/30/25.-27 Luer Lock caps that expired 3/1/26.-One Luer Lock cap that expired 7/28/25.-Nine Luer Lock caps that expired 2/28/26.-One Vacutainer blood collection needle that expired 2/28/25.-One enteral feeding tube clog remover that expired 4/30/25.-67 purple top Vacutainer blood collection vials that expired 2/28/26.-37 purple top Vacutainer blood collection vials that expired 6/30/25.-46 blue capped needles that expired 2/20/26. On 3/11/26 at 3:11 p.m. the medication cart on the secure unit was reviewed with registered nurse (RN) #4. The following items (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0761</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>were found:-One bottle of Refresh Tears that was opened and was not dated.-A 16-ounce bottle of Drug Buster (activated charcoal-based disposal system designed to quickly deactivate and destroy unwanted pills, capsules, liquids, creams) was in the same drawer as liquid medications.-One foil package containing eight ampules of Ipratropium Bromide and Albuterol Sulfate (nebulizer medication) 0.5 mg/3 mg per 3 ml that was opened and was not dated. RN #4 said she was unaware the package should be dated once opened.On 3/11/26 at 3:20 p.m. the medication cart on A-Hall was reviewed with LPN #2. The following items were found:-One bottle of GenTeal tears that was opened and was not dated.-Two acetaminophen 650 mg suppositories that were lying loose in a small plastic container.-One vial of Lispro insulin that was opened and was not dated.-One single dose kit of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray 4 mg that expired December 2025.On 3/12/26 at 11:00 a.m. the medication cart on B-Hall was reviewed with RN #3. The following items were found:-Two acetaminophen 650 mg suppositories that were lying loose in a small plastic container.-One foil package of a 4% Lidocaine patch that was opened.-One package containing a urinary drainage bag that was opened in the bottom drawer.-One foil package containing 19 ampules of Ipratropium Bromide/Albuterol Sulfate 0.5 mg/3 mg per 3 ml that was opened and was not dated. RN #3 said she was unaware the package should be dated once opened. -One half ounce tube of miconazole nitrate cream that expired February 2026.IV. Additional staff interviewsThe director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 10:00 a.m. The DON said the night shift nurses were responsible for routinely reviewing the medication storage room and the medication carts to ensure any expired medications and supplies were removed from use. She said the pharmacist also completed routine medication cart reviews but she did not look for expired medications and supplies in the medication storage room. LPN #1 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 10:15 a.m. LPN #1 said all nurses were to check expiration dates on medications during their shift throughout their medication pass, and the night shift nurses were to routinely review the medication room as well as the medication carts for any expired medications or supplies and remove them from use.</p>		

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Ensure each resident receives and the facility provides food that accommodates resident allergies, intolerances, and preferences, as well as appealing options.</p> <p>Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure meals were served according to the resident's preferences for residents on five of six units. Specifically, the facility failed to offer substantive menu alternatives and honor residents' food preferences. Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy and procedure The Dining and Food Preferences policy and procedure, revised October 2022, was received from the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 1:31 p.m. It read in pertinent part, Upon meal service, any resident with expressed or observed refusal of food and/or beverage will be offered an alternate selection of comparable nutrition value. The alternate meal and/or beverage will be provided in a timely manner.</p> <p>II. Resident interviews and observations</p> <p>Resident #42 was interviewed on 3/9/26 at 10:45 a.m. Resident #42 said food had been her biggest problem with the facility. She said she sometimes got enough to eat. Resident #42 said the facility had gotten rid of their always-available menu when they had a management change. Resident #42 said she asked for fresh fruit all the time because the facility used to receive it in their shipments, but said the facility had stopped serving fresh fruit. Resident #42 said she would give anything for fresh fruit.</p> <p>Resident #69, Resident #70 and Resident #50 were interviewed together on 3/9/26 at 1:11 p.m. The residents said they often did not receive what they ordered on their meal trays. The residents said the nursing staff sometimes did not take their meal orders for the next day, so they would just receive the pre-set regular menu items.</p> <p>Resident #92 was interviewed on 3/9/26 at 12:36 p.m. Resident #92 said the facility changed their meal ordering process, so the staff would go around and get the residents' orders the day before. Resident #92 said the facility usually did not serve what was on the menu, and said it was frustrating. Resident #92 said she needed to request certain food items because her top dentures were broken.</p> <p>Resident #92 was interviewed a second time on 3/10/26 at 1:10 p.m. Resident #92 said her lunch was okay, but she was still hungry because she had not eaten much for breakfast that morning. Resident #92 said she had not been offered a snack between breakfast and lunch. Resident #92 activated her call light, and when certified nurse aide (CNA) #4 entered the room the resident requested a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. At 1:16 p.m. CNA #4 walked to the kitchen and spoke with the kitchen staff. CNA #4 asked the kitchen staff if they had any peanut butter and jelly sandwiches available. The kitchen staff's answer was inaudible. CNA #4 asked the kitchen staff if they could make a turkey sandwich instead. The kitchen staff's answer was inaudible. CNA #4 exited the dining room and returned to Resident #92's room, where she told Resident #92 the kitchen said they were out of sandwiches and the resident would have to wait until 2:00 p.m. to receive a snack.</p> <p>Resident #92 was interviewed a third time on 3/11/26 at 12:11 p.m. Resident #92 said the nursing staff had not woken her up to let her know her breakfast had been served that morning, so when she woke up her breakfast was cold. Resident #92 said she had ordered an omelet, sausage, toast and oatmeal, but received scrambled eggs, hashbrowns and oatmeal. Resident #92 said she could not eat hashbrowns. Resident #92 said she was offered a peanut butter and jelly sandwich by the nursing staff instead. Resident #92 said she did not think she was getting enough food to eat, and said she sometimes got a headache from not eating as much.</p> <p>Resident #11 was interviewed on 3/10/26 at 9:18 a.m. Resident #11 said the food served by the facility was getting better, but when the new company took over in the kitchen it was really bad. Resident #11 said residents did not have a choice in what they were served at meals, and the rules imposed by the kitchen kept changing. Resident #11 said sometimes her food was cold, and often the meat served at dinner was so tough she could not cut it. Resident #11 said the kitchen had a lot to work on. Resident #11 said the kitchen did not serve fresh fruit, as they said they could not order fresh fruit at that time of the year. Resident #11 said she only ever got fresh grapes, but was tired of grapes. Resident #11 was interviewed a second time on 3/11/26 at 5:48 p.m. Resident #11 said she only had two choices of what to eat at each meal, and if she did not like either of the choices there was nothing else available. (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Resident #11 said if she did not like the meal she received she was never offered other options like sandwiches or soups. Resident #11 said she had brought up her concerns with staff members and brought it up in the food council meetings, but the kitchen staff always answered by saying they did not carry those options in stock.III. Resident group interviewSix residents (#23, #26, #41, #1, #53 and #70) who frequently attended the monthly resident council meetings and were identified as alert and oriented by facility and assessment were interviewed on 3/11/26 at 10:00 a.m.Resident #41 and Resident #70 both said they wanted a variety of soups but the facility did not offer them.Resident #41 said the nursing staff took the residents' orders two to three days in advance, but if the nurse did not or was unable to take their order the nurse would just mark the resident for a regular meal tray.Resident #23 said the kitchen staff repeatedly told the residents they were not able to get fresh fruit, only canned. Resident #23 said there was not a resolution process for any food committee grievances. IV. Record reviewFood council meeting minutes, dated 1/13/26 at 10:00 a.m., revealed the residents in attendance requested more fresh fruit and vegetables, and more fresh soups. The minutes documented the facility responded by informing the residents they would buy fresh fruit and vegetables as they were available and in-season, and said their soups were made fresh and shipped frozen to the facility. The residents also requested the servers and new employees receive more training as the residents felt the staff members did not know what was expected of them. The facility responded by saying all dietary staff would receive training on the facility's new policies and procedures.Food council meeting minutes, dated 2/5/26 at 10:02 a.m., revealed the residents in attendance were requesting more fresh fruit and homemade soups. The meeting notes also documented that the alternate food menu would be condensed.-However, no documented facility response was provided to the residents' request for fresh fruit and soups.Resident council minutes, dated 3/4/26, revealed the director of operations spoke with the residents in attendance to inform them the dietary department was going through a lot of changes. The dietary manager spoke with the residents in attendance and said they were working on resident preferences and asked that all food concerns be addressed at the food council meeting the next day (3/5/26).Food council meeting minutes, dated 3/5/26 at 10:00 a.m., revealed the residents in attendance requested more fresh fruit and vegetables, and said the soup of the day was not to order on the new menu system. The minutes documented the facility responded by reminding the residents they would buy fresh fruit and vegetables as they were available and in-season, and said they would begin making soups from scratch once the new dietary company had established its systems. A grievance form, dated 3/5/26, revealed a grievance had been initiated from the resident food council on 3/5/26. The grievance form documented several concerns were brought up during the resident food council, and documented what was discussed by attaching the 3/5/26 food council minutes (see above). The grievance form documented the dietary company was to follow up with the concerned individual(s) within 48 hours of the complaint. The grievance form did not document any further follow-up or investigation.V. Staff interviews CNA #5 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 6:07 p.m. CNA #5 said a lot of the processes involved with the kitchen had changed recently. CNA #5 said the nursing staff had to take residents' meal orders the day before the meal was served, which created issues as some of the residents did not remember what they ordered or no longer wanted what they had ordered the day before. CNA #5 said the facility used to have an always-available menu for the residents to order alternate items, but now residents just get what they are served. CNA #5 said if residents asked for alternatives from the kitchen their requests were denied, and the residents did not have as much freedom in their food choices as they used to. CNA #5 said several of the residents she worked with were often hungry, and some of the residents were not eating at all. CNA #5 said some of her coworkers had been going to the grocery store to purchase alternate snacks for the residents themselves.CNA #6 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 9:18 a.m. CNA #6 said the recent changes implemented by the kitchen had affected how happy the residents were, as food was so important to their lives. CNA #6 said the kitchen no longer offered any menu items outside of their scheduled menu. CNA #6 said the kitchen previously used to (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>let residents order whatever they wanted at any time. CNA #6 said if a resident did not like what they were served, the kitchen staff would not serve any alternate items until they were finished serving the entire facility, so it could take 45 minutes to an hour to get any other food items for the residents. CNA #6 said the kitchen did have a menu with a few alternate entree items, but those items were only available during scheduled meal times. CNA #6 said if a resident refused their meal or did not eat much of their meal, she would go to the kitchen and just had to see what alternative the kitchen would give her. CNA #6 said she mostly received pantry snacks like crackers from the kitchen in those instances. CNA #6 said between meal times residents could have snacks like crackers, applesauce or yogurt. CNA #6 said she had not seen any of her residents lose weight but said she anticipated they would. CNA #7 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 11:18 a.m. CNA #7 said the recent changes in the kitchen had annoyed the residents, as the new kitchen system had changed the residents' diets and cut out all of the menu items the residents used to like. CNA #7 said the kitchen no longer offered the same snacks or menu alternatives they used to offer, and said residents could no longer get fresh fruit. CNA #7 said if a resident did not want the meal they were served, the kitchen staff would not let the CNAs get alternate food items for the resident until the entire facility had been served, and if they ran out of what the resident wanted the resident would only get a sandwich. CNA #7 said the alternate menu items were a hamburger, cheeseburger, grilled cheese, hotdog or a salad. CNA #7 said the kitchen did not stock sandwiches for residents to have as snacks, and had only crackers or chocolate snacks. CNA #7 said she felt bad for the residents because of these changes. CNA #7 said her coworkers had gone to the grocery store to get snacks the residents would enjoy, and said she encouraged residents' families to supply the residents with snacks they would like. Licensed practical nurse (LPN) #1 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 11:38 a.m. LPN #1 said the kitchen had made changes to the way meal tickets were filled out, so now the nursing staff had to collect residents' orders the day before. LPN #1 said a lot of the residents forgot what they had ordered the day prior and were agitated when they were served. LPN #1 said the kitchen used to stock a wider variety of menu items, but had recently cut their menu in half. LPN #1 said if a resident did not like what they were served or did not eat much, the nursing staff could offer the resident a sandwich or snack items. LPN #1 said if a resident was missing a menu item from their meal tray, it could take over 20 minutes to get the missing item from the kitchen, assuming it was still available. LPN #1 said the kitchen may have already thrown away the menu item if the resident waited too long, so LPN #1 said she could offer the resident a sandwich or snack instead, though LPN #1 said she thought most residents would not want a ham and cheese sandwich at 8:00 in the morning. LPN #1 said the kitchen did have grilled cheese sandwiches or soups available as alternate items, but said the resident could only order those items during scheduled meal time windows. LPN #1 said if a resident wanted soup or a grilled cheese sandwich outside of those windows, the kitchen would offer them snack items instead. The regional dietary supervisor was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 3:05 p.m. The regional dietary supervisor said the facility utilized a standard running menu for each meal time and had a bistro menu with alternative entrees as well. The regional dietary supervisor said the bistro menu items were not available between mealtimes, but were only available during the posted mealtimes. The regional dietary supervisor said if a resident requested a bistro item, such as a cheeseburger, outside of the posted meal times the kitchen would not be able to provide the resident with that item but they could offer snacks instead. The regional dietary supervisor said the kitchen staff were still trying to get new systems of operation in place, and did not have the staffing available to prepare bistro items between mealtimes while still ensuring the regular meals were served on time. The regional dietary supervisor said the fresh fruits the facility had available included grapes, apples, oranges and bananas. The regional dietary supervisor said they had previously offered kiwis and berries, but none of the residents wanted kiwis and they were no longer able to offer berries due to price increases. The regional dietary supervisor said the kitchen had stocked the same four fresh fruits for the last month, and when the seasons changed they would include different seasonal fruit varieties. The (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>regional dietary supervisor said the facility had held its first food council with the new dietary company the Thursday prior, and said he had gotten the notes and grievance related to the meeting that day (3/12/26). The regional dietary supervisor said he had already addressed a lot of the residents' concerns with the NHA, but would review the food council notes and write a plan of action going forward. The dietary supervisor said he had not received any formal grievances regarding food prior to 3/12/26. The NHA was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 3:30 p.m. The NHA said the facility's previous dietary manager had left in November 2025. The NHA said she had tried hiring multiple other dietary managers between November 2025 and March 2026, but had not been able to fill the position. The NHA said she had been running the kitchen since November 2025 until the outside dietary company took over a few weeks ago. The NHA said she had a grievance from the food committee that she had received the week prior that she had just given to the dietary supervisor to address that day (3/12/26) but had been unable to do so prior due to the survey proce</p>		

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<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>Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to maintain an infection control program designed to provide a safe, sanitary and comfortable environment to help prevent the possible development and transmission of infectious diseases on two of three units. Specifically, the facility failed to: -Ensure housekeepers cleaned and disinfected the residents' rooms in a hygienic manner; -Ensure housekeepers cleaned high touch areas; -Ensure hand hygiene was completed during room cleaning; -Ensure dwell times for disinfectants were followed per manufacturer's recommendations; -Ensure staff followed appropriate hand hygiene practices; -Ensure staff donned (put on) appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) when providing care for residents on enhanced barrier precautions (EBP); and, -Ensure appropriate infection control practices were followed during medication administration. Findings include:</p> <p>I. Housekeeping room cleaning failures</p> <p>A Professional reference</p> <p>According to The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Environment Cleaning Procedures, (revised 3/19/24), retrieved on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/healthcare-associated-infections/hcp/cleaning-global/procedures.html">https://www.cdc.gov/healthcare-associated-infections/hcp/cleaning-global/procedures.html</a>. It read in pertinent part,</p> <p>High-Touch Surfaces: The identification of high-touch surfaces and items in each patient care area is a necessary prerequisite to the development of cleaning procedures, as these will often differ by room, ward and facility.</p> <p>Common high-touch surfaces include: bed rails, IV (intravenous) poles, sink handles, bedside tables, counters, edges of privacy curtains, patient monitoring equipment (keyboards, control panels), call bells and door knobs.</p> <p>Proceed from cleaner to dirtier areas to avoid spreading dirt and microorganisms. Examples include: during terminal cleaning, clean low-touch surfaces before high-touch surfaces, clean patient areas (patient zones) before patient toilets, within a specified patient room, terminal cleaning should start with shared equipment and common surfaces, then proceed to surfaces and items touched during patient care that are outside of the patient zone, and finally to surfaces and items directly touched by the patient inside the patient zone. In other words, high-touch surfaces outside the patient zone should be cleaned before the high-touch surfaces inside the patient zone and clean general patient areas not under transmission-based precautions before those areas under transmission-based precautions.</p> <p>According to the Sani-Clean disinfectant directions, retrieved on 3/21/26 from <a href="https://www.pdqonline.com/wp-content/uploads/4481-SaniClean_tech.pdf">https://www.pdqonline.com/wp-content/uploads/4481-SaniClean_tech.pdf</a> Apply solution with a mop, cloth, sponge, hand pump trigger sprayer or low pressure coarse sprayer so as to wet all surfaces thoroughly. Allow to remain wet for 10 minutes, then remove excess liquid.</p> <p>B. Observations</p> <p>On 3/12/26 at 10:41 a.m. housekeeper (HK) #1 was observed cleaning resident room #A9, a double occupancy room. HK #1 performed hand hygiene with alcohol based hand rub (ABHR) and applied (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>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> Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure one (#53) of four residents reviewed for abuse out of 42 sample residents were kept free from abuse. Specifically, the facility failed to protect Resident #53 from verbal abuse by Resident #37. Findings include: I. Facility policy and procedure The Abuse and Neglect policy and procedure, revised April 2008, was received from the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 3:12 p.m. It read in pertinent part, Abuse means to intentionally harm a resident. Verbal and emotional abuse occurs when someone threatens or humiliates a resident and makes them feel afraid. Examples may include yelling, screaming, unkind teasing, threatening, use of offensive language to a resident or in the presence of a resident or harsh tone of voice. II. Resident #37 (assailant) A. Resident status Resident #37, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included vascular dementia with mood disturbance, depression and cognitive communication deficits. The 3/10/26 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed the resident was severely cognitively impaired with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of five out of 15. The resident required partial to maximal assistance from staff for most activities of daily living (ADL). The MDS assessment documented the resident did not have physical behaviors directed towards others. The assessment documented the resident had verbal behaviors and other behavioral symptoms not directed towards others on one to three days during the seven-day assessment look back period. B. Record review The behavior care plan, revised 2/16/26, revealed Resident #37 could be verbally aggressive towards staff at times. Resident #37 was easily irritated and verbalized dissatisfaction with trivial items, including someone being in his way or a chair being moved. Resident #37 had made racial comments towards residents of color. Resident #37 had exhibited physical aggression towards staff when attempting to provide care and had told staff he would rape them. Pertinent interventions included encouraging Resident #37 to take a break if he became escalated and reapproaching him later, administering medications as ordered, assisting the resident to develop more appropriate methods of coping and interacting and staff providing care in pairs. A progress note, dated 11/20/25 at 5:28 p.m., revealed Resident #37 attempted to stand from his wheelchair multiple times throughout his shift, yelled at staff members, and called people names. Resident #37 also attempted to toss his water pitcher at a certified nurse aide (CNA). A progress note, dated 12/19/25 at 2:02 p.m., revealed Resident #37 exhibited increased verbal and physical aggression. Resident #37 refused to eat at his assigned table in the dining room with other male residents. Resident #37 repeatedly yelled obscenities at the other male residents and was moved to a different table in the dining room on two occasions. Multiple attempts were made to redirect Resident #37 with minimal effect. Resident #37 also made inappropriate comments towards the female staff members and engaged in inappropriate touching with the staff members. Multiple redirection attempts were made for Resident #37 with minimal effect. Resident #37's physician was notified. A progress note, dated 1/13/26 at 9:48 a.m., revealed Resident #37 was found the day prior (1/12/26) on another hallway in the facility yelling racial slurs at a resident of color (Resident #53). Resident #37 was redirected back to his room when the incident occurred. No other concerns were noted afterwards. -There was no further follow-up documentation related to the 1/12/26 incident. -The facility investigation for the incident on 1/12/26 was requested from the NHA on 3/12/25 at 8:22 a.m., however the facility was unable to provide an investigation as they had determined the incident did not constitute abuse (see interviews below). A physician note, dated 2/25/26 at 10:41 a.m., revealed Resident #37 was seen by his physician per staff request due to an increase in the resident's behaviors, both sexual and verbal, and at times physical during cares. The note documented Resident #37 had been more difficult to redirect. The physician reviewed Resident #37's behaviors with his representatives and received consent to (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>increase his psychotropic medication dose. The note documented given Resident #37's ongoing behavioral concerns, the physician may need to consider adding an antipsychotic medication as well. Review of Resident #37's behavior monitoring task from 2/11/26 through 3/12/26 revealed the resident was observed yelling or screaming at others on 2/16/26 and 3/7/26. III. Resident #53 (victim) A. Resident status Resident #53, age less than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 CPO, diagnoses included aphasia, hemiplegia and hemiparesis (paralysis and weakness on one side of the body), vascular dementia, major depressive disorder and cerebral infarction (stroke). The 2/9/26 MDS assessment revealed the resident had severe cognitive impairment when assessed by staff. The resident was independent for most ADLs. B. Record review A progress note, dated 1/13/26 at 9:51 a.m., revealed that on 1/12/26 Resident #53 was near his room when another resident (Resident #37) came up to him and began making racial slur comments. Resident #53 was laughing and the other resident was redirected away from the area. The nurse followed up with Resident #53 regarding the situation and asked if he was okay. Resident #53 said yes, shook his head, gave a thumbs up gesture and started laughing. A progress note, dated 1/14/26 at 2:07 p.m., revealed a facility social worker visited Resident #53 regarding another resident calling him a derogatory name on 1/12/26. Resident #53 chuckled and waved his hands when the social worker asked him if he was okay or upset. The social worker documented she provided Resident #53 with support. IV. Staff interviews CNA #5 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 6:07 p.m. CNA #5 said if she saw a resident having verbal or physical behaviors, she would remove the resident from the area and take the resident to their room. CNA #5 said most of the behaviors she had seen were between residents, so she would remove the residents from the area and give them space to calm down. CNA #5 said if she saw residents yelling at each other she would chart their behaviors in the resident's electronic medical record (EMR) and notify the nurse. CNA #5 said Resident #37 did have behaviors and he had good days and bad days. CNA #5 said Resident #37 became aggressive and tried to fight both staff members and other residents. CNA #5 said Resident #37 liked to hit, grab and bite, and could become triggered by anything. CNA #6 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 9:18 a.m. CNA #6 said Resident #37 had verbal and physical behaviors. CNA #6 said Resident #37's behaviors were mostly directed toward staff members, and she had rarely heard of him lashing out at other residents. CNA #6 said if Resident #37 was starting to have behaviors, she would attempt to redirect him by seeing if he was hungry, tired or in pain. CNA #6 said generally when Resident #37 was becoming agitated, he needed to have a bowel movement, so the nursing staff would assist the resident to the bathroom. CNA #6 said if Resident #37 was having behaviors directed towards other residents, the staff would separate the residents, de-escalate them and try to monitor the residents to keep them separated. CNA #6 said the common areas could be overstimulating to the residents, so the staff would redirect the residents back to their room. CNA #6 said if she saw residents having behaviors directed at other residents, she would alert her nurse or the CNA of the other resident involved. The director of operations was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 10:37 a.m. The director of operations said the facility staff had followed up with Resident #37 and Resident #53 after the incident on 1/12/26 and found neither resident had any issues or concerns after the incident. The director of operations said the social services director (SSD) had been the staff member who had followed up with them. -However, Resident #53 suffered verbal abuse as Resident #37 called Resident #53 slurs targeting his race. -Additionally, there was no documentation of any psycho-social follow-up for Resident #37 (see record review above). The director of operations said the interdisciplinary team (IDT) reviewed all new progress notes every morning during their morning meeting to determine if the facility needed to take any follow-up actions. The director of operations said Resident #37 had not made physical contact with Resident #53 on 1/12/26, so the situation had not needed to be reported. The director of operations said the social services team had performed psychological follow-up assessments with both of the residents after the incident. The director of operations said he did not have any documentation in regards to an investigation of the incident, outside of the progress notes documented in Resident #37 and Resident (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>#53's EMRs regarding the incident 1/12/26.-However, there was no documentation in Resident #37's EMR to indicate the social services team had followed up with the resident after the incident with Resident #53 (see record review above). The SSD was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 2:51 p.m. The SSD said for any resident-to-resident altercations, the staff would separate the residents and call the NHA immediately so she could begin the facility's investigation. The SSD said the NHA would then determine if the incident was considered abuse, and if the facility needed to report the incident to the State Agency and begin staff interviews. The SSD said if the incident was determined to be abuse, they would educate the staff on abuse prevention, keep the residents separated and identify the residents' triggers. If the incident was not determined to be abuse, the SSD said the facility staff still kept the residents separated and began staff education. The SSD said the facility discussed any incidents with the IDT during their morning meeting and created physician's orders to monitor the residents after incidents as needed.The SSD said Resident #37's behaviors varied, and said he would get irritated if his hearing aide was not working. The SSD said Resident #37 tended to have some outbursts. The SSD said the staff had determined some of Resident #37's triggers included issues with his hearing aide, his oxygen settings or needing to use the bathroom. The SSD said Resident #37 was redirectable with food or watching movies.-However, the triggers and methods of redirection for Resident #37 were not documented in the resident's care plan (see record review above).The SSD said Resident #37 had one incident involving another resident on another hall, after which the social services staff had interviewed Resident #53 and he had just laughed and said it was fine, so the facility determined the situation was not abuse. The SSD said Resident #37 had another incident in which he had verbalized something in the dining room, and there was no reaction from any of the other residents around him.The director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 3:54 p.m. The DON said Resident #37 was short-tempered. The DON said she did not know what Resident #37's triggers were, but said his direct caregivers were good about finding ways to interact with and redirect him. The DON said Resident #37 was able to be redirected with movies and sitting in the lobby with his daughter.The NHA was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 4:50 p.m. The NHA said the IDT discussed residents' behaviors during every morning meeting. The NHA said if a resident's behaviors involved any other residents, the IDT would send a member of the social services staff to talk with the residents involved and see if they were okay. The NHA said if there was physical contact between residents, the incident would be reportable.The NHA said after the incident with Resident #37 on 1/12/26, Resident #53 laughed the incident off and thought it was funny. The NHA said staff knew to check in on Resident #53 after the incident to see if he felt like he was harmed by the incident. The NHA said if Resident #53 felt he had been harmed, the staff would have alerted her right away.The NHA said for incidents of potential verbal abuse, the facility staff would interview the residents and see if the resident was upset or hurt by what the other resident had said, and if they were, that would constitute verbal abuse. The NHA said she determined if an incident was abuse evaluating criteria including threat or physical action, fear of imminent bodily injury, or if the resident was knowingly doing something. The NHA said if the incident on 1/12/26 had met even one of those criteria, she would have reported the incident between Resident #37 and Resident #53 to the State Agency. The NHA said Resident #37 had not knowingly called Resident #53 names or had intent behind what he was saying.-However, Resident #53 did suffer verbal abuse as Resident #37 called the other resident slurs directed towards Resident #53's race.Cross-reference F609 for failure to report an alleged violation.The NHA said for any abuse allegations, the facility staff spoke with other residents to see if they overheard anything from the incident, asked the residents what happened, and looked to see who may have overheard the incident or been offended by it. The NHA said the facility documented these notes in a file but did not keep the documents if they determined the incident was not abuse. The NHA said the facility staff had looked at Resident #37's incidents from a behavioral standpoint, and had arranged medication changes and physician evaluations for him as a result. The NHA said the staff knew about Resident #37's behaviors and knew to keep him away from other residents when he was agitated.</p>		

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<p>F 0603</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Protect each resident from separation (from other residents, his/her room, or confinement to his/her room).</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observations, record reviews and interviews, the facility failed to ensure that residents were free from involuntary seclusion for two (#85 and #29) of three residents reviewed for proper placement out of 42 of sample residents. Specifically, the facility failed to accurately and timely re-evaluate the appropriateness of Resident #85 and Resident #29's placement in the secure unit. Findings include: I. Facility policy and procedure The Special Care Unit and Pre-admission Assessment For Initial Placement/Evaluation For Continuing Placement policy was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 4:00 p.m. The policy read in pertinent part, The facility shall only place a resident into a secure unit that meets any of the following irreversible signs and symptoms: -The resident is in serious danger to self or others; or, -The resident habitually wanders or would wander out of the buildings and is unable to find the way back; or, -The resident has a significant behavior problem that seriously disrupts the rights of other residents; and, in all cases, -Less restrictive alternatives have been unsuccessful in preventing harm to self or others. A resident's placement in the secure unit shall terminate when the condition or behavior justifying the placement has diminished or they no longer meet the criteria, or when consent is terminated or withdrawn, or if the facility and physician determine that such continued placement would adversely affect resident health or safety. II. Resident #85A. Resident status Resident #85, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included cerebrovascular disease, hypertensive heart disease with heart failure, essential hypertension, history of falls, unspecific dementia and vascular dementia with mild mood disturbances. The 2/3/26 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed Resident #85 was severely cognitively impaired with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of three out of 15. The resident was dependent on staff for all activities of daily living (ADL), including dressing, showering, toileting, ambulating, set-up assistance for oral hygiene and assistance with eating. The assessment indicated Resident #85 had no physical behavioral symptoms directed towards others, such as hitting, kicking, grabbing, or hitting B. Observations During a continuous observation of the facility's secured unit on 3/10/26, beginning at 11:40 a.m. and ending at 3:37 p.m., the following was observed: At 11:40 a.m. Resident #85 was sitting in a Broda chair (specialized ergonomic wheelchair). At 11:45 a.m. staff provided feeding assistance to the resident at lunch time. After assisting the resident with eating, staff left Resident #85 sitting at the lunch table. The resident was falling asleep off and on and made no attempts to self-propel her wheelchair or wander. At 12:30 p.m. staff began distributing magazines to the residents. A magazine was put in front of Resident #85. The resident exhibited no wandering or aggressive behaviors and made no effort to self-propel her wheelchair. At 12:56 p.m. the hospice nurse visited Resident #85 at the same spot she had been sitting in the dining room. The hospice nurse checked the resident's vital signs, spoke to the staff and left the unit. Resident #85 remained in the same spot at the dining room table. The resident exhibited no wandering or aggressive behaviors and made no effort to self-propel her wheelchair. At 1:08 p.m. staff gave the resident a doll to hold. She continued sitting in the Broda wheelchair at the same spot at the table. The resident exhibited no wandering or aggressive behaviors and made no effort to self-propel her wheelchair. At 1:50 p.m. staff began passing out snacks to the residents. No snack was offered to Resident #85 and she continued sitting in the Broda wheelchair at the same spot and in the same position at the table. The resident exhibited no wandering or aggressive behaviors and made no effort to self-propel her wheelchair. At 2:42 p.m. during a group activity, staff arranged a fabric sensory/tactile apron on Resident #85's lap as she was not able to join the group activity. She did not attempt to touch the apron. The resident exhibited no wandering or aggressive behaviors and made no effort to self-propel her wheelchair. At 3:37 p.m. staff wheeled Resident #85 to her room for incontinence care. The resident exhibited (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0603</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>aggressive behaviors.-Resident #85 had been sitting in the same position in her Broda wheelchair at the table from 11:40 a.m. until 3:37 p.m., almost four hours, without attempting to self-propel her wheelchair or exhibiting any wandering behaviors. The resident exhibited no aggressive behaviors.C. Record review The wandering risk assessment, dated 2/12/26, documented Resident #85 had no episodes of wandering in the past three months. The wandering risk assessment documented the resident was able to move herself in her wheelchair. -However, interviews with staff revealed the resident was not able to propel herself in her wheelchair (see interviews below). Review of Resident #85's electronic medical record (EMR) failed to reveal documentation from the resident's primary care physician which indicated the secured/locked unit was the least restrictive approach that was reasonable to protect the resident and assure her health and safety. D. Staff interviews Certified nurse aide (CNA) #10 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 3:22 p.m. CNA #10 said Resident #85 was unable to walk or propel herself in the Broda chair. The CNA said the resident never attempted to exit-see. She said the resident could not communicate her needs.The social services director (SSD) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 9:02 a.m. The SSD said each resident was reviewed for secure unit placement appropriateness every quarter. The SSD said Resident #85's last secure placement review was completed in February 2026. The SSD said the resident was not able to exit-see and was on hospice services. She said the resident was on the unit in order for her to benefit from a smaller unit. The director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 5:15 p.m. The DON said Resident #85 benefited from the smaller environment in the secure unit. She confirmed that a non-secure environment placement had not been tried for the resident. She said that the elopement risk evaluation completed on 2/17/26 for Resident #85 was not accurate as it documented the resident was able to walk. She said the incorrect documentation put Resident #85 resulted in the resident being calculated as a moderate risk for elopement with a score of 14; however, the DON said Resident #85 was wheelchair bound and was unable to move herself without staff's assistance.III. Resident #29A. Resident status Resident #29, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 CPO, diagnoses included non-Alzheimer's dementia without behavior disturbance, psychotic disturbance, mood disturbance and anxiety, hypertension, with history of fractures, transient cerebral ischemic attack and hypertension. The 1/6/26 MDS assessment revealed Resident #29 had moderate cognitive impairments with a BIMS score of nine out of 15. The resident was dependent on staff for ADLs. B. Resident interviewResident #29 was interviewed on 3/9/26 at 2:59 p.m. Resident #29 said she was aware she was in the secured unit. She said she did not like living in the secured unit and did not know the passcode for the secured unit door. She said she did not know why she was in the secured unit, but said it was probably because she answered a few questions wrong. C. ObservationsOn 3/9/26 at approximately 10:45 a.m., Resident #29 attended an activity outside of the secured unit. She was immediately assisted back from the unsecured area of the facility and was brought back to the secured unit. The resident had a book with her. During a continuous observation of the secured unit on 3/10/26, beginning at 11:40 a.m. and ending at 3:37 p.m., the following was observed:At 11:40 a.m. Resident #29 was sitting in her wheelchair and had finished eating lunch. She stayed at the dining table in the common area until 1:10 p.m. reading her book. At 1:10 p.m. staff assisted Resident #29 with pushing her in her wheelchair to join the group exercise activity outside of the secured unit. Staff assisted the resident back to the unit at 1:37 p.m. At 1:37 p.m. the resident continued sitting in her wheelchair in the common area, reading her book. At 2:10 p.m. Resident #29 was assisted to her room by two staff members for incontinence care. At 3:37 p.m. Resident #29 continued to be in her room. -During the observation above, Resident #29 exhibited no wandering, exit-seeking or aggressive behaviors.D. Record reviewThe wandering risk scale evaluation, dated 1/19/26, documented Resident #29 followed instructions and redirection at times and had no reported episodes of wandering in the past six months.The nurse practitioner note, dated 2/17/26, revealed Resident #29 was calm and cooperative. Review of Resident #29's EMR failed to reveal documentation from the resident's primary care physician which indicated the secured/locked (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0603</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>unit was the least restrictive approach that was reasonable to protect the resident and assure her health and safety. E. Staff interviews The SSD was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 9:02 a.m. The SSD said each resident was evaluated quarterly for placement on the secured unit. The SSD said Resident #29 was admitted nearly a year ago (2025), and she had exhibited some behaviors and had attempted to leave the facility a few days after her admission to the facility. She said the resident was then moved to the secured unit for safety. The SSD said Resident #29 did not exit-see, but was benefiting from the smaller unit. She said the resident attended activities off the unit, and had been appropriate and had not exhibited any wandering or exit-seeking behaviors. She said the resident spent her time reading. The SSD said Resident #29 had not been trialed off of the unit for the three days to evaluate the appropriateness of transitioning the resident off of the secured unit. The SSD said the resident did not have the door code to be able to leave the secured unit when she wanted to. The DON was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 5:15 p.m. The DON said Resident #29 was transferred to the secured unit because she had some challenging behaviors and had attempted to leave the facility shortly after she was admitted to the facility. However, she said the resident had not exhibited any exit-seeking behavior. She said the resident had hallucinations, but could be redirected.</p>		

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<p>F 0605</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Prevent the use of unnecessary psychotropic medications or use medications that may restrain a resident's ability to function.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to adequately monitor residents for unnecessary psychotropic medications needed to provide effective and person-centered care for one (#85) of five residents reviewed for use of psychotropic medications out of 42 sample residents. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure the physician's order for Resident #85's as needed (PRN) lorazepam (antianxiety medication) was reevaluated and a rationale was provided by the physician to justify the continued use of the psychotropic medication beyond the 14-day limit. Findings include: I. Resident #85A. Resident status Resident #85, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included vascular dementia, restlessness and agitation. The 2/3/26 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed the resident was unable to complete the brief interview for mental status (BIMS) assessment. The resident had both short term and long term memory impairments, and had severely impaired decision making skills, per the staff assessment for mental status. The resident was dependent on one-person assistance from staff for all activities of daily living (ADL). The MDS assessment indicated the resident was receiving antianxiety medications. B. Record review Review of Resident #85's March 2026 CPO revealed the following physician's order: Lorazepam 0.5 milligrams (mg), give 0.5 mg by mouth every four hours as needed for dementia with behaviors, restlessness and agitation for 90 days, ordered 2/2/26. -The physician's order for the PRN lorazepam was prescribed for 90 days instead of for 14 days as required and did not include a rationale for extending the medication usage beyond 14 days. Review of Resident #85's psychotropic medication care plan, revised 1/27/26, revealed the resident received psychotropic medications for vascular dementia and behaviors. Interventions included giving medications as ordered by the physician and monitoring for side effects, reporting any increased agitation as evidenced by continual movement and restlessness to the point of putting herself to risk. The medication was to be reviewed quarterly and as needed in the psychotropic medication committee. Review of Resident #85's February 2026 and March 2026 medication administration records (MAR) revealed the resident received a dose of PRN lorazepam on 2/21/26 and 2/26/26. -However, the physician's order for the PRN lorazepam should have been reevaluated by the physician (on 2/16/26, 14 days after it was initially ordered on 2/2/26) and a new physician's order obtained for the medication or a rationale documented by the physician for the continued use of the medication beyond 14 days. A review of Resident #85's progress notes revealed no documentation to indicate the physician had reevaluated the resident's PRN lorazepam in order to justify the use of the medication beyond the 14-day limit for PRN psychotropic medications. II. Staff interviews The director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 4:56 p.m. The DON said all psychotropic medications were reviewed quarterly in the psychotropic medication committee meeting. She said she was aware that PRN psychotropic medications should only be prescribed for 14 days and then reevaluated for continued use, unless the physician documented a rationale for ordering the medication for longer than 14 days. The DON said she would ensure a rationale was included in Resident #85's electronic medical record (EMR).</p>		

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<p>F 0609</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Timely report suspected abuse, neglect, or theft and report the results of the investigation to proper authorities.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to report alleged violations of potential abuse to the State Survey and Certification Agency in accordance with state law for one (#53) of four residents reviewed for abuse out of 42 sample residents. Specifically, the facility failed to report an incident of potential verbal abuse towards Resident #53 by Resident #37 to the State Agency. Findings include: I. Facility policy and procedure The Abuse Reporting policy and procedure, dated March 2025, was received from the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 3/12/26 at 1:31 p.m. It read in pertinent part, If abuse happens or is suspected, the administrator will initiate an investigation by following guidelines set forth by the [State Agency] guidelines. If any type of abuse, neglect or misappropriation of property is confirmed by the NHA, the NHA will be responsible for notifying the State Agency within 24 hours from the time the incident occurred. II. Resident #37 (assailant) A. Resident status Resident #37, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included vascular dementia with mood disturbance, depression and cognitive communication deficits. The 3/10/26 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed the resident was severely cognitively impaired with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of five out of 15. The resident required partial to maximal assistance from staff for most activities of daily living (ADL). The MDS assessment documented the resident did not have physical behaviors directed towards others. The assessment documented the resident had verbal behaviors and other behavioral symptoms not directed towards others on one to three days during the seven-day assessment look back period. B. Record review The behavior care plan, revised 2/16/26, revealed Resident #37 could be verbally aggressive towards staff at times. Resident #37 was easily irritated and verbalized dissatisfaction with trivial items, including someone being in his way or a chair being moved. Resident #37 had made racial comments toward residents of color. Resident #37 had exhibited physical aggression towards staff when attempting to provide care and had told staff he would rape them. Pertinent interventions included encouraging Resident #37 to take a break if he became escalated and reapproaching him later, administering medications as ordered, assisting the resident to develop more appropriate methods of coping and interacting and staff providing care in pairs. A progress note, dated 11/20/25 at 5:28 p.m., revealed Resident #37 attempted to stand from his wheelchair multiple times throughout his shift, yelled at staff members, and called people names. Resident #37 also attempted to toss his water pitcher at a certified nurse aide (CNA). A progress note, dated 1/13/26 at 9:48 a.m., revealed Resident #37 was found the day prior (1/12/26) on another hallway in the facility yelling racial slurs at a resident of color (Resident #53). Resident #37 was redirected back to his room when the incident occurred. No other concerns were noted afterwards. -There was no further follow-up documentation related to the 1/12/26 incident. -The facility investigation for the incident on 1/12/26 was requested from the NHA on 3/12/25 at 8:22 a.m., however the facility was unable to provide an investigation as they had determined the incident did not constitute abuse (see interviews below). III. Resident #53 (victim) A. Resident status Resident #53, age less than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 CPO, diagnoses included aphasia, hemiplegia and hemiparesis (paralysis and weakness on one side of the body), vascular dementia, major depressive disorder and cerebral infarction (stroke). The 2/9/26 MDS assessment revealed the resident had severe cognitive impairment when assessed by staff. The resident was independent for most ADLs. B. Record review A progress note, dated 1/13/26 at 9:51 a.m., revealed that on 1/12/26 Resident #53 was near his room when another resident (Resident #37) came up to him and began making racial slur comments. Resident #53 was laughing and the other resident was redirected away from the area. The nurse followed up with Resident #53 regarding the situation and asked if he was okay. Resident #53 said yes, shook his head, gave a thumbs up gesture (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0609</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>and started laughing.A progress note, dated 1/14/26 at 2:07 p.m., revealed a facility social worker visited Resident #53 regarding another resident calling him a derogatory name on 1/12/26. Resident #53 chuckled and waved his hands when the social worker asked him if he was okay or upset. The social worker documented she provided Resident #53 with support.IV. Staff interviewsThe director of operations was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 10:37 a.m. The director of operations said the facility staff had followed up with Resident #37 and Resident #53 after the incident on 1/12/26 and found neither resident had any issues or concerns after the incident. The director of operations said the social services director (SSD) had been the staff member who had followed up with them. -However, Resident #53 suffered verbal abuse as Resident #37 called him slurs targeting his race. -Additionally, there was no documentation of any psycho-social follow-up for Resident #37 (see record review above).The director of operations said the interdisciplinary team (IDT) reviewed all new progress notes every morning during their morning meeting to determine if the facility needed to take any follow-up actions. The director of operations said Resident #37 had not made physical contact with Resident #53 on 1/12/26, so the situation had not needed to be reported to the State Agency. The director of operations said the social services team had performed psychological follow-up assessments with the residents after each of the incidents. The director of operations said he did not have any documentation in regards to an investigation of the incident, outside of the progress notes documented in Resident #37 and Resident #53's electronic medical records (EMR) regarding the incident 1/12/26. The SSD was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 2:51 p.m. The SSD said for any resident-to-resident altercations, the staff would separate the residents and call the NHA immediately so she could begin the facility's investigation. The SSD said the NHA would then determine if the incident was considered abuse, and if the facility needed to report the incident to the State Agency and begin staff interviews. The SSD said Resident #37 had one incident involving another resident on another hall, after which the social services staff had interviewed Resident #53 and he had just laughed and said it was fine, so the facility determined the situation was not abuse. The SSD said Resident #37 had another incident in which he had verbalized something in the dining room, and there was no reaction from any of the other residents around him.The NHA was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 4:50 p.m. The NHA said the IDT discussed residents' behaviors during every morning meeting. The NHA said if a resident's behaviors involved any other residents, the IDT would send a member of the social services staff to talk with the residents involved and see if they were okay. The NHA said if there was physical contact between residents, the incident would be reportable to the State Agency.The NHA said after the incident on 1/12/26, Resident #53 laughed the incident off and thought it was funny. The NHA said staff knew to check in on Resident #53 after the incident to see if he felt like he was harmed by the incident. The NHA said if Resident #53 felt he had been harmed, the staff would have alerted her right away.The NHA said for incidents of potential verbal abuse, the facility staff would interview the residents and see if the resident was upset or hurt by what the other resident had said, and if they were, that would constitute verbal abuse. The NHA said she determined if an incident was abuse evaluating criteria including threat or physical action, fear of imminent bodily injury, or if the resident was knowingly doing something. The NHA said if the incident on 1/12/26 had met even one of those criteria she would have reported the incident between Resident #37 and Resident #53 to the State Agency. The NHA said Resident #37 had not knowingly called Resident #53 names or had intent behind what he was saying.-However, Resident #53 did suffer verbal abuse as Resident #37 called the other resident slurs directed towards Resident #53's race. The facility failed to report the incident to the State Agency.Cross-reference F600 for failure to keep residents free from abuse. The NHA said for any abuse allegations, the facility staff spoke with other residents to see if they overheard anything from the incident, asked the residents what happened, and looked to see who may have overheard the incident or been offended by it. The NHA said the facility documented these notes in a file but did not keep the documents if they determined the incident was not abuse.</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide appropriate pressure ulcer care and prevent new ulcers from developing.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to provide necessary services consistent with professional standards of practice to promote healing of pressure injuries and prevention of additional pressure injuries for two (#85 and #91) of three residents reviewed for pressure injuries out of 42 sample residents. Specifically, the facility failed to:-Ensure Resident #85, who was at high risk for skin break due to immobility was repositioned and provided incontinence care in a timely manner; and,-Ensure staff consistently implemented care planned pressure injury prevention interventions for Resident #85; and,-Ensure Resident #91, who had a stage 4 pressure injury, was repositioned in a timely manner.Findings include:</p> <p>I. Professional reference</p> <p>According to Basic Nursing third edition; [NAME] S. Treas, [NAME], [NAME] H. [NAME] (2022), page 1214-1215, Healthy people regularly shift position to maintain comfort. However, many patients are unable to move without assistance. They require a change of position at least every two hours to prevent skin breakdown, muscle discomfort. People who are immobile are more prone to pressure injury as a result of reduced circulation, impaired oxygen exchange to the tissues and edema.</p> <p>According to the National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel, European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel and Pan Pacific Pressure Injury Alliance Prevention and Treatment of Pressure Ulcers: Clinical Practice Guideline, [NAME] Haesler (Ed.), Cambridge Media: [NAME] Park, Western Australia; 2014, retrieved from <a href="https://www.ehob.com/media/2018/04/prevention-and-treatment-of-pressure-ulcers-clinical-practice-guidline.pdf">https://www.ehob.com/media/2018/04/prevention-and-treatment-of-pressure-ulcers-clinical-practice-guidline.pdf</a> on 2/10/22, Pressure ulcer classification is as follows:</p> <p>Category/Stage 1: Nonblanchable Erythema</p> <p>Intact skin with non-blanchable redness of a localized area usually over a bony prominence. Darkly pigmented skin may not have visible blanching; its color may differ from the surrounding area. The area may be painful, firm, soft, warmer or cooler as compared to adjacent tissue. Category/Stage 1 may be difficult to detect in individuals with dark skin tones. May indicate at risk individuals (a heralding sign of risk).</p> <p>Category/Stage 2: Partial Thickness Skin Loss</p> <p>Partial thickness loss of dermis presenting as a shallow open ulcer with a red pink wound bed, without slough. May also present as an intact or open/ruptured serum-filled blister. Presents as a shiny or dry shallow ulcer without slough or bruising.* This Category/Stage should not be used to describe skin tears, tape burns, perineal dermatitis, maceration or excoriation. *Bruising indicates suspected deep tissue injury.</p> <p>Category/Stage 3: Full Thickness Skin Loss</p> <p>Full thickness tissue loss. Subcutaneous fat may be visible but bone, tendon or muscle are not exposed. Slough may be present but does not obscure the depth of tissue loss. May include undermining and tunneling. The depth of a Category/Stage 3 pressure ulcer varies by anatomical location. The bridge of the nose, ear, occiput and malleolus do not have subcutaneous tissue and (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Category/Stage 3 ulcers can be shallow. In contrast, areas of significant adiposity can develop extremely deep Category/Stage 3 pressure ulcers. Bone/tendon is not visible or directly palpable.</p> <p>Category/Stage 4: Full Thickness Tissue Loss</p> <p>Full thickness tissue loss with exposed bone, tendon or muscle. Slough or eschar may be present on some parts of the wound bed. Often include undermining and tunneling. The depth of a Category/Stage 4 pressure ulcer varies by anatomical location. The bridge of the nose, ear, occiput and malleolus do not have subcutaneous tissue and these ulcers can be shallow. Category/Stage 4 ulcers can extend into muscle and/or supporting structures (fascia, tendon or joint capsule) making osteomyelitis possible. Exposed bone/tendon is visible or directly palpable.</p> <p>Unstageable: Depth Unknown</p> <p>Full thickness tissue loss in which the base of the ulcer is covered by slough (yellow, tan, gray, green or brown) and/or eschar (tan, brown or black) in the wound bed. Until enough slough and/or eschar is removed to expose the base of the wound, the true depth, and therefore Category/Stage, cannot be determined. Stable (dry, adherent, intact without erythema or fluctuance) eschar on the heels serves as 'the body's natural (biological) cover' and should not be removed.</p> <p>Suspected Deep Tissue Injury: Depth Unknown</p> <p>Purple or maroon localized area of discolored intact skin or blood-filled blister due to damage of underlying soft tissue from pressure and/or shear. The area may be preceded by tissue that is painful, firm, mushy, boggy, warmer or cooler as compared to adjacent tissue. Deep tissue injury may be difficult to detect in individuals with dark skin tones. Evolution may include a thin blister over a dark wound bed. The wound may further evolve and become covered by thin eschar. Evolution may be rapid, exposing additional layers of tissue even with optimal treatment.</p> <p>II. Resident #85</p> <p>A. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #85, age greater than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included cerebrovascular disease, hypertensive heart disease with heart failure, essential hypertension, history of falls, unspecific dementia , vascular dementia with mild mood disturbances.</p> <p>The 2/3/26 minimum data set (MDS) assessment review revealed Resident #85 was dependent on staff for activities of daily living (ADL), including dressing, showering, toileting, ambulating, set-up assistance for oral hygiene and assistance with eating.</p> <p>B. Observations</p> <p>During a continuous observation of the facility's secured unit on 3/10/26, beginning at 11:40 a.m. and ending at 3:37 p.m., the following was observed:</p> <p>At 11:40 a.m. Resident #85 was sitting in a Broda chair. (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>At 11:45 a.m. staff provided feeding assistance to the resident at lunch time. After assisting the resident with eating, staff left Resident #85 sitting at the lunch table. The resident was falling asleep off and on.</p> <p>At 12:30 p.m. staff began distributing magazines to the residents. A magazine was put in front of Resident #85, however, staff did not attempt to take the resident to her room to check her for incontinence or reposition the resident.</p> <p>At 12:56 p.m. the hospice nurse visited Resident #85 at the same spot she had been sitting in the dining room. The hospice nurse checked the resident's vital signs, spoke to the staff and left the unit. Resident #85 remained in the same spot at the dining room table.</p> <p>At 1:08 p.m, staff gave the resident a doll to hold. She continued sitting in the Broda wheelchair at the same spot at the table. Staff did not reposition the resident or attempt to take her to her room to check her for incontinence.</p> <p>At 1:50 p.m. staff began passing out snacks to the residents. No snack was offered to Resident #85 and she continued sitting in the Broda wheelchair at the same spot and in the same position at the table. Staff did not attempt to reposition the resident or take her to her room to check her for incontinence.</p> <p>At 2:42 p.m. during a group activity, staff arranged a fabric sensory/tactile apron on Resident #85's lap as she was not able to join the group activity. She did not attempt to touch the apron and continued sitting at the same spot in the same position.</p> <p>At 3:37 p.m staff wheeled Resident #85 to her room for incontinence care.</p> <p>-Resident #85 had been sitting in the same position in her Broda wheelchair at the table from 11:40 a.m. until 3:37 p.m., almost four hours, without staff attempting to reposition her or check her for incontinence.</p> <p>During a continuous observation the facility's secured unit on 3/11/26, beginning at 8:45 a.m. and ending at 1:28 p.m., Resident #85 was again observed sitting in her Broda wheelchair in the same position. The resident remained in her wheelchair at the table for breakfast, an activity and lunch. No staff members attempted to reposition the resident or take her to her room to check her for incontinence.</p> <p>At 1:28 p.m. Resident #85 was taken to her room for incontinence care.</p> <p>-Resident #85 had been sitting in the same position in her Broda wheelchair at the table from 8:45 a.m. until 1:28 p.m., almost five hours, without staff attempting to reposition her or check her for incontinence.</p> <p>C. Record Review</p> <p>A review of Resident #85's skin care plan, initiated 1/27/26, revealed that she was at high risk for skin breakdown. Interventions included monitoring for repositioning and following facility protocols for the prevention/treatment of skin breakdown. (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>D. Staff interviews:</p> <p>Certified nurse aide (CNA) #10 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 3:32 p.m. CNA #10 said the facility's incontinence care protocol for residents was every two hours for incontinent residents. She said Resident #85 was incontinent and needed two-person assistance for incontinence care. CNA #10 said the resident was able to pivot and hold the toilet bar while staff assisted her to sit on the toilet. She said she needed to check resident #85's tasks list in the electronic medical record (EMR) to know the resident's specific schedule for incontinence care. After checking the resident's incontinence schedule, CNA #10 said the resident should be checked for incontinence two to three times a day and as needed. She said sometimes it took longer if the staff were busy. CNA #10 said Resident #85's CNA task list did not say anything about repositioning the resident.</p> <p>Registered nurse (RN) #4 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 4:05 p.m. RN #4 said Resident #85 was at high risk for skin breakdown. RN #4 said Resident #85's skin condition was good. She said the staff used barrier cream for the resident because her bottom was red. She said the redness came on and off. She said Resident #85 had had diarrhea for the last two days, and it had caused some skin redness. RN #4 said not providing incontinence care for long periods of four hours or more was a long time.</p> <p>RN #4 said Resident #85 should be repositioned in order to improve circulation and preserve her skin integrity. RN #4 said Resident #85 was at high risk for falls and so staff did not lay her down in bed during the day and kept her in the common area for supervision. She said Resident #85 wiggled around herself in the chair and did not need repositioning. RN #4 said if there were concerns about a resident's skin condition, the wound care nurse (WCN) would be verbally notified.</p> <p>The director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 5:15 p.m. The DON said residents' skin integrity evaluations were performed upon admission, on a weekly basis, and as needed depending on the 24-hour communication log from the staff. The DON said for residents at high risk for skin breakdown, the interventions would be repositioning, hydration and barrier cream. The DON said Resident #85 was at high risk for skin breakdown. She said the frequency of repositioning or incontinence care depended on the resident's condition. The DON said incontinence care should happen before and after meals and as needed. She said it was the facility's approach not to put a specific time frame for the frequency.</p> <p>The DON said she did not know why the staff did not provide incontinence care and repositioning for Resident #85 for long periods of time (see observations above). She said it was even more necessary to provide frequent incontinence care for Resident #85 if the staff knew about her diarrhea and skin irritation. The DON said sitting long hours in the same position could increase the risk for pressure injuries for Resident #85.</p> <p>III. Resident #91</p> <p>A. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #91, age less than 65, was admitted on [DATE] and readmitted on [DATE]. According to the March 2026 CPO, diagnoses included osteomyelitis of the sacral and sacrococcygeal vertebrae (a bone infection of the sacrum and/or coccyx), stage 4 pressure ulcer of sacral region, pilonidal cyst with abscess, profound intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, cognitive communication deficit and contractures of bilateral elbows and bilateral knees. (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The 1/2/26 MDS assessment revealed the resident was cognitively impaired. He had short and long-term memory problems. His daily decision making ability was severely impaired. He had bilateral upper and lower extremity impairment. He used a wheelchair mobility device. He was dependent on staff for all ADLs. He had an indwelling urinary catheter. He was always incontinent of bowel.</p> <p>The assessment indicated he had an unhealed stage 4 pressure ulcer that was present on admission. He used a pressure-reducing mattress and a pressure reducing device for his wheelchair. He was on nutrition/hydration interventions and pressure ulcer wound treatments.</p> <p>B. Observations and interviews</p> <p>On 3/11/26 at 7:31 a.m. Resident #91 was sitting at an angle in his wheelchair in the common area. A ROHO cushion (air-filled cellular cushion) was visible underneath him. Resident #91 was holding a stuffed toy between his arms.</p> <p>On 3/11/26 at 8:00 a.m. Resident #91 was observed sitting in his wheelchair at a table in the dining room, eating breakfast. An unidentified staff member was providing meal assistance to the resident. Resident #91 was seated in the same position in his wheelchair as previously observed, sitting at an angle.</p> <p>During a continuous observation on 3/11/26, beginning at 8:32 a.m. and ending at 10:48 a.m., the following was observed:</p> <p>At 8:32 a.m., Resident #91 was observed sitting in the common area in his wheelchair. He continued to be sitting in the same angled position in his wheelchair as previously observed.</p> <p>At 9:00 a.m. an unidentified staff member wheeled the resident to a different location in the common area. She did not reposition or offer to reposition Resident #91.</p> <p>At 10:20 a.m. an unidentified staff member wheeled Resident #91 to his room and left the resident in the hallway outside of his room. CNA #4 wheeled the resident into his room and positioned his wheelchair next to his bed, facing the television. CNA #4 retrieved the resident's touch pad call light, placed it on his waist/lap, then exited the resident's room without repositioning the resident.</p> <p>At 10:48 a.m. CNA #3 entered the resident's room with a Hoyer lift (mechanical lift to transfer residents), followed by licensed practical nurse (LPN) #4. CNA #3 told LPN #4 that staff were going to put Resident #91 to bed because of how sleepy he was. CNA #4 re-entered the resident's room. CNA #3 and CNA #4 performed hand hygiene, donned a gown and gloves, transferred the resident to the bed with the lift, performed incontinence care and repositioned Resident #91 onto his right side in bed.</p> <p>CNA #4 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 11:32 a.m. CNA #4 said Resident #91 was gotten up and dressed by the day shift that morning between 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. and had been sitting in his wheelchair since he was assisted out of bed.</p> <p>-Per CNA #4's interview and continuous observation (see above), Resident #91 had been sitting in the same position in his wheelchair for over four hours without repositioning assistance.</p> <p>C. Record review (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of Resident #91's March 2026 CPO revealed the following physician's orders:</p> <p>Cleanse the sacral wound with wound cleanser. Use one full packet of collagen filler (dressing used to treat chronic, deep wounds) and apply to the wound bed, followed by calcium alginate with silver (a highly absorbent, antimicrobial wound dressing). Apply Skin-prep (a liquid barrier used to protect intact skin), then cover with a super absorbent dressing. Complete every night shift for wound healing, ordered 11/4/25.</p> <p>Check the function of the air mattress every shift for skin integrity, ordered 9/20/24.</p> <p>Check the ROHO cushion for proper inflation every Friday night shift for skin integrity, ordered 2/20/26.</p> <p>-Review of Resident #91's March 2026 CPO revealed no physician's orders specifying how often the resident should be repositioned to assist with wound healing.</p> <p>The skin integrity care plan, revised 8/8/24, documented Resident #91 had the potential for alteration in skin integrity due to decreased mobility related to developmental delays and contractures. Interventions included administering treatments as ordered (initiated 7/5/24), following facility policies/protocols for the prevention/treatment of skin breakdown (revised 10/23/24), monitoring/documenting/reporting signs and symptoms of infection (revised 10/23/24) and using a mechanical lift for transfers to prevent new/further injury (revised 10/23/24).</p> <p>The pressure injury care plan, revised 10/11/25, documented Resident #91 had a stage 4 pressure injury on his coccyx related to disease processes, developmental delay, a history of pressure injuries, immobility, and bowel and bladder incontinence. Interventions included administering treatments as ordered (initiated 7/24/24), applying an air mattress to promote wound healing and skin integrity (revised 4/18/25) and applying foam boots while in bed (revised 10/11/25).</p> <p>-Review of Resident #91's skin integrity and pressure ulcer care plan revealed no documented interventions addressing how often the resident should be repositioned to promote wound healing.</p> <p>-Additionally, there were no documented interventions addressing the resident's ROHO cushion and how to monitor/maintain it.</p> <p>The wound care physician follow-up note, dated 3/10/26 at 12:57 p.m., documented Resident #91 had an unavoidable stage 4 pressure injury to his sacrum. The note documented the wound appeared healthy, clean and stable. It documented Resident #91 was at increased risk of wound incidence due to impaired mobility, co-morbid conditions, impaired cognition, and scar tissue. It documented treatment recommendations included re-evaluating Resident #91 during the next visit, implementing pressure-relieving measures, offloading, and repositioning as tolerated.</p> <p>The wound care physician's note documented that residents with pressure injuries to their sacrum, coccyx, or ischium should be limited to sitting three times daily for periods of 60 minutes or less.</p> <p>D. Additional staff interviews</p> <p>CNA #8 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 4:51 p.m. CNA #8 said dependent residents should be repositioned every two hours. CNA #8 said timely repositioning was important to offload skin and (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>prevent new/worsened skin issues.</p> <p>LPN #6 was interviewed on 3/11/26 at 5:09 p.m. LPN #6 said dependent residents, including Resident #91, should be repositioned every one to two hours. LPN #6 said it was important for skin integrity, to prevent skin breakdown, and maintain resident comfort.</p> <p>The wound care nurse (WCN) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 5:00 p.m. The WCN said how often a resident was repositioned varied. The WCN said staff should attempt to change a resident's position every two hours. The WCN said residents could be resistant to position changes if the change prevented them from seeing the television or the door. The WCN said timely repositioning was important to maintain circulation, especially on bony prominences, and reduce the risk of pressure injury development.</p> <p>The DON was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 6:35 p.m. The DON said staff should offer and attempt to offload residents upon entering the resident's room for any care activities. The DON said many residents often complained about repositioning, so the facility hardly ever entered physician's orders to reposition every two hours. The DON said Resident #91 had pressure injury care interventions in place, to include applying an air mattress, using soft boots to float heels, positioning wedges, and offloading with incontinence care or meals. The DON said timely repositioning was important. The DON said offloading Resident #91's wound helped promote healing of his chronic wound, and prevent new skin issues from occurring.</p>		

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<p>F 0695</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide safe and appropriate respiratory care for a resident when needed.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure staff provided respiratory care consistent with professional standards of practice for two (#42 and #16) of three residents reviewed for oxygen services out of 42 sample residents. Specifically, the facility failed to:-Ensure staff adequately maintained and cleaned Resident #42's continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) machine; and,-Ensure staff administered oxygen to Resident #42 and Resident #16 per physician's order.Findings include:</p> <p>I. Professional reference</p> <p>According to Nursing Skills, Open Resources for Nursing (Open RN); Ernstmeyer K, [NAME] E, editors. Eau [NAME] (WI): [NAME] Valley Technical College; published 2021, accessed on 3/18/26 from <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK593208/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK593208/</a>,</p> <p>Oxygen is considered a medication and, therefore, requires a prescription and continuous monitoring by the nurse to ensure its safe and effective use. (Chapter 11)</p> <p>Devices such high flow oxymasks, CPAP, BiPAP, or mechanical ventilation may be initiated by the respiratory therapist or provider to deliver higher amounts of inspired oxygen. (Chapter 11)</p> <p>Manage oxygen therapy and equipment: If the patient is already on supplemental oxygen, ensure the equipment is turned on, set at the required flow rate, correctly positioned on the patient, and properly connected to an oxygen supply source. If a portable tank is being used, check the oxygen level in the tank. Ensure the connecting oxygen tubing is not kinked, which could obstruct the flow of oxygen. Feel for the flow of oxygen from the exit ports on the oxygen equipment.</p> <p>II. Facility policy and procedure</p> <p>The CPAP/BiPAP (bilevel positive airway pressure) Cleaning policy and procedure, dated December 2024, was received from the nursing home administrator (NHA) 3/12/26 at 1:31 p.m. It read in pertinent part:</p> <p>It is the policy of (facility name) to clean CPAP/BiPAP equipment in accordance with current CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) guidelines and manufacturer's recommendations to prevent the occurrence or spread of infection.</p> <p>CPAP, or continuous positive airway pressure, is a respiratory therapy intervention used to provide a patent airway during periods of sleep apnea. It uses air pressure generated by a machine, delivered through a tube into a mask that fits over the nose or mouth.</p> <p>Policy guidelines: Dust the machine when needed, and wipe clean with a damp cloth and mild detergent. If humidification is required, distilled or sterile water will be used to fill the humidifier chamber. Empty the chamber completely after each use and wipe dry. The facility will utilize the CPAP/BiPAP order set for instructions and timing of cleaning various aspects of the machine. Order set developed based on manufacturer's guidance, but may vary from resident to resident.</p> <p>III. Resident #42 (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0695</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>On 3/12/26 at 11:27 a.m. Resident #42's CPAP machine was on top of her dresser. The humidifier chamber was connected to the resident's CPAP machine. There was an unmeasurable amount of water in the humidifier chamber and visible condensation on the walls of the humidifier chamber. Resident #42 was receiving continuous oxygen via nasal cannula. The oxygen concentrator was set at 4 LPM.</p> <p>C. Record review</p> <p>A review of Resident #42's March 2026 CPO revealed the following physician's orders:</p> <p>Wear CPAP at bedtime and throughout the day during nap times. Complete every shift for health maintenance, ordered 11/17/24.</p> <p>Disassemble CPAP mask into three parts, (headgear, cushion and frame). Clean all parts with warm soap and water, and completely rinse parts. Allow to air dry and avoid direct sunlight. Every day shift for respiratory hygiene, ordered 4/14/25.</p> <p>Disconnect air tubing/hose from mask and CPAP machine. In the sink, clean both the inside and outside of the tubing with warm water and mild soap. Rinse thoroughly with warm water. Allow to air dry on top of a clean towel. Avoid placng in direct sunlight. Complete every Saturday day shift for respiratory hygiene, ordered 4/14/25.</p> <p>Disconnect humidifier tub (chamber) from CPAP machine. Empty the tub and wipe thoroughly with disposable disinfectant wipe. Allow to dry out and store out of direct sunlight. The tub should always be clean, clear, and free of discoloration. Complete every day shift for respiratory hygiene, ordered 4/14/25.</p> <p>Oxygen at 3 LPM via nasal cannula for diagnosis of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Complete every shift for COPD. Record oxygen rate and saturation level on the medication administration record (MAR). Notify the physician if changes needed, ordered 5/3/24.</p> <p>-However, Resident #42's oxygen flow rate was observed to be set on 4 LPM during several observations (see observations above).</p> <p>The oxygen therapy care plan, revised 11/17/25, documented Resident #42 was on oxygen therapy related to congestive heart failure, COPD, obstructive sleep apnea, and chronic hypercapnic respiratory failure. Interventions included administering medications as ordered (initiated 5/4/24), using home CPAP settings (initiated 5/4/24), elevating the head of the bed to a level of comfortable breathing (initiated 5/4/24), and monitoring for signs and symptoms of respiratory distress (initiated 5/4/24).</p> <p>-Review of the oxygen therapy care plan revealed the facility failed to document any interventions specifically related to Resident #42's oxygen therapy, including the oxygen LPM.</p> <p>-Additionally, the facility failed to create a resident-specific care plan addressing Resident #42's CPAP use, settings and device cleaning and management.</p> <p>A review of Resident #42's March 2026 MAR revealed the following documented oxygen administrations: (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0695</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #42 was administered 4 LPM of oxygen on both the day and night shifts, on 3/1/26, 3/2/26, 3/3/26, 3/4/26 and 3/5/26.</p> <p>Resident #42 was administered 3 LPM of oxygen on both day and night shifts, on 3/6/26, 3/7/26, 3/8/26, 3/9/26, 3/10/26, and 3/11/26.</p> <p>-However, observations on 3/10/26, 3/11/26 and 3/12/26 revealed the resident's oxygen flow rate was set at 4 LPM (see observations above).</p> <p>-There was no documentation in the resident's electronic medical record (EMR) to indicate the resident's physician had been notified that the resident was receiving 4 LPM of oxygen.</p> <p>A review of Resident #42's March 2026 treatment administration record (TAR) revealed facility staff documented the resident's CPAP humidifier chamber was disconnected and cleaned, as ordered, on 3/1/26, 3/2/26, 3/3/26, 3/4/26, 3/5/26, 3/6/26, 3/7/26, 3/8/26, 3/9/26, 3/10/26, and 3/11/26.</p> <p>-However, observations of Resident #42's CPAP machine and humidifier chamber on 3/10/26, 3/11/26 and 3/12/26 (see see observations above) revealed multiple instances where the humidifier chamber was still connected to the resident's CPAP machine, contained residual water and had visible condensation on the walls.</p> <p>D. Additional staff interviews</p> <p>Licensed practical nurse (LPN) #3 was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 11:28 a.m. LPN #3 said staff had orders to disassemble and clean CPAP machines with CPAP cleansing wipes. LPN #3 said accurately cleaning a resident's CPAP machine was important for infection prevention.</p> <p>LPN #3 entered Resident #42's room at approximately 11:35 a.m. LPN #3 said CNAs helped take off CPAP masks when residents woke up, and the nurses were responsible for cleaning CPAP tubing and masks. LPN #3 confirmed the humidifier chamber was still connected to Resident #42's CPAP machine. LPN #3 said she always noticed the humidifier chamber was connected to Resident #42's CPAP machine. LPN #3 said Resident #42 required between 4 LPM to 5 LPM of oxygen. LPN #3 confirmed Resident #42's oxygen concentrator was set at 4 LPM.</p> <p>LPN #3 exited Resident #42's room and returned to the medication cart to pull up Resident #42's physician's orders. LPN #3 said the current physician's order for Resident #42's CPAP indicated to disconnect the CPAP humidifier chamber, cleanse it, and leave it to dry (see physician's orders above). LPN #3 said the humidifier chamber should have been disconnected from Resident #42's CPAP machine.</p> <p>LPN #3 said Resident #42 had been on 4 LPM of oxygen for as long as she had cared for the resident. LPN #3 said Resident #42's oxygen order was for 3 LPM of oxygen. LPN #3 said Resident #42 was not being administered oxygen per the physician's order. LPN #3 said she would contact Resident #42's physician to obtain an updated order.</p> <p>The infection preventionist (IP) was interviewed on 3/12/26 at 4:06 p.m. The IP said he would have to refer to the manufacturer's instructions or resident orders for CPAP cleaning and maintenance. The IP said Resident #42 had a physician's order to disconnect, empty, and clean the resident's CPAP humidifier chamber daily. The IP said properly cleaning and maintaining a resident's CPAP was (continued on next page)</p>		

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