

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 065391	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 02/13/2024
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F 0600 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 31821</p> <p>Based on record review and staff interviews, the facility failed to ensure one (#1) of four residents reviewed for abuse out of four sample residents was kept free from abuse.</p> <p>Resident #2 and Resident #1 were involved in an altercation on 11/7/23. Resident #2 attacked Resident #1 and Resident #1 had injuries that included a scratch to his left forehead that was cleaned, a scratch on his nose, an abrasion to his left face/cheek, left jawline, left ear and bruising to the top of his left shoulder. There was redness around his neck and Resident #1 complained of severe left shoulder pain. Interventions added after the altercation were to move Resident #2 to a different hall and the resident was to be in the staff's line of sight. However, those interventions were not effective due to another altercation that occurred on 1/3/24.</p> <p>According to Resident #1, on 1/3/24 Resident #2 pulled him down and hit him. Resident #2 had redness/possible bruising to the right hand at the base of the third finger knuckle and an abrasion on the back of his left hand. Resident #1 sustained a bloody nose, a skin tear to his nose and left hand and two abrasions to the forehead. He also sustained a fracture to one of the fingers on his right hand. Resident #1 was sent to the hospital for evaluation and treatment.</p> <p>The facility failed to implement measures to protect Resident #1 from abuse perpetrated by Resident #2, who was known to be physically aggressive.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy</p> <p>The Abuse policy, revised 10/16/23, was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 2/13/2024 at 4:05 p.m. It documented in pertinent part, It is the policy of the (corporation) to provide protection for the health, welfare and rights of each resident by developing and implementing written policies and procedures that prohibit and prevent mistreatment, abuse, neglect and exploitation. The (facility) will take necessary precautions to prevent resident abuse by anyone including staff members, other residents, volunteer, contracted staff, family members, resident representatives, visitors, and other individuals.</p> <p>II. Resident-to-resident altercation involving Resident #1 and Resident #2 on 11/7/23</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>According to the investigation, Resident #2 entered the room that adjoined his and went to the bed where Resident #1 was sleeping and began attacking him. Resident #2 attempted to choke Resident #1 but the Resident #1 was able to make enough noise to alert staff of the situation.</p> <p>Staff reported a certified nurse aide (CNA) attempted to pull the Resident #2 from Resident #1 and when she did, Resident #2 pushed her away from him. The CNA called for assistance and when staff entered the room they were able to get the Resident #2 away from Resident #1 and out of the room. Resident #2 was brought to the rotunda (common area) where he slept for the next hour. The medical doctor (MD), the NHA, the director of nursing (DON), the social services staff and family were notified of the incident. Law enforcement was notified at 5:20 p.m.</p> <p>Resident #1 sustained a scratch to his left forehead that was cleaned, dried and covered with protective dressing. He had a scratch on his nose, an abrasion to his left face/cheek, left jaw line, left ear and bruising to the top of his left shoulder. There was redness around his neck and the resident complained of severe left shoulder pain.</p> <p>The facility's action for the assailant was to add Resident #2's behaviors to the care plan and implement an intervention for the resident to be in the line of sight of the staff. Resident #2 was moved to a different hall.</p> <p>The conclusion of the internal investigation documented Resident #2 attacked and choked Resident #1. Resident #1 did not remember the incident. The CNA witnessed the incident and separated the residents immediately.</p> <p>III. Resident-to-resident altercation involving Resident #1 and Resident #2 on 1/3/24</p> <p>According to the investigation, there was an unwitnessed altercation between Resident #1 and Resident #2 on 1/3/24. Resident #1 thought Resident #2 may have punched him. The registered nurse (RN) in charge thought maybe Resident #1 attempted to stand up and fell and hit his nose and side of his head due to injury marks and where he was found. A CNA observed what she thought was a resident had fallen. Resident #1 was mostly out of his wheelchair next to the wall with Resident #2 holding him by his shirt collar. The CNA redirected Resident #2 down to his hallway and called a RN to assess injuries in both residents. Resident #1 was interviewed by a police officer and, due to the resident having an abrasion to head, he was sent to the emergency room for further evaluation.</p> <p>The nature of suspected abuse was physical with hitting and Resident #1 having a fractured finger.</p> <p>The facility's action for Resident #2 was for the resident to be in the line of sight of the staff. Resident #2 was moved to a room at the end of the hall.</p> <p>The facility documented the incident was inconclusive due to the cognition of the residents.</p> <p>-However, the CNA did witness the resident being pulled by his collar which caused the fall and injuries to Resident #1 (see progress notes below). In addition, Resident #2 had redness/possible bruising to the right hand at the base of the third finger knuckle and an abrasion on the back of his left hand.</p> <p>IV. Resident #1</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #1, age 87, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the February 2024 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), dementia and age related physical disability,</p> <p>According to the 1/25/24 minimum data set (MDS) assessment, the resident had moderate cognitive impairment with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of eight out of 15. The resident had verbal and physical behaviors directed towards others.</p> <p>B. Resident observation and interview</p> <p>Resident #1 was interviewed on 2/13/24 at 9:50 a.m. Resident #1 was lying down in his bed looking out the window. He said he stayed in his room most of the time as he liked to spend time alone. Resident #1 said, I don't want to talk about it but I tell you if I would not have been lying down I would have let him have it because I know [NAME] arts.</p> <p>C. Record review</p> <p>The care plan, initiated 5/15/23 and revised 1/25/24, identified the resident had impaired cognition function/dementia or impaired thought processes and dementia with behaviors. Interventions included keeping resident's routine consistent and trying to provide consistent caregivers as much as possible and monitor/document/report as needed any changes in cognitive function, specifically changes in decision making ability.</p> <p>The nurse note dated 1/3/24 at 7:53 p.m. documented in pertinent part, This nurse heard a CNA yelling for a nurse. Upon arrival to the hallway the resident was found lying on the floor with his head against the wall with nose bleeding, skin tear to nose and skin tear to left hand with two abrasions to the forehead. The resident was stating another resident made him fall and hit him. The resident complained of shoulder pain which was chronic. Administration and medical doctor notified with order to send the resident to the emergency room (ER) for evaluation. Social service notified as well as family of possible altercation. The Sheriff's office notified and came into the facility to interview residents. The ambulance arrived to transport to hospital. Report called to nurse at hospital. The resident was alert smiling and talking to emergency medical technicians (EMT). The EMT asked the resident if he hit his head and he stated, 'I don't remember as my memory isn't very good anymore'.</p> <p>The 72-hour follow up notes dated 1/4/24 at 6:31 a.m. documented in pertinent part, The resident was back from hospital altercation with another resident. The resident received his tetanus shot, had some lacerations, bruising and a fracture to his finger on the right hand. The resident complained of pain and received medication without complications.</p> <p>The physician note dated 1/6/24 at 3:54 p.m. documented in pertinent part, Follow up ER visit from 1/3/24. Unwitnessed incident resulted in skin tear, abrasions and fracture that is not displaced of the finger. Splint on for at least three weeks.</p> <p>V. Resident #2</p> <p>A. Resident status</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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