

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 065411	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 11/21/2024
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<p>F 0740</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure each resident must receive and the facility must provide necessary behavioral health care and services.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 31229</p> <p>Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to provide the necessary behavioral health care and services to attain and maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being for one (#14) of three residents reviewed for behavioral and emotional status out of 22 sample residents.</p> <p>Specifically, the facility failed to coordinate timely necessary behavioral, mental and emotional health care and services for Resident #14.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Resident #14</p> <p>A. Resident status</p> <p>Resident #14, age 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the November 2024 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included Arnold Chiari Syndrome with hydrocephalus (a condition where the lower part of the brain protrudes into the spinal canal causing a blockage in the flow of cerebrospinal fluid and leading to a buildup of fluid in the brain), anxiety disorder, depression, insomnia, other complicated headache syndrome, cognitive communication deficit, unspecified dementia, severe, with mood disturbance and malignant neoplasm of prostate.</p> <p>The 9/17/24 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed the resident's cognition was severely impaired with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of four out of 15. Verbal behavioral symptoms directed towards others were present during the assessment. He used a wheelchair for mobility and required partial moderate assistance with toileting hygiene, substantial/maximal assist with bathing and partial/moderate assist with transfers. He was prescribed antianxiety and antidepressant medications.</p> <p>B. Record review</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 0740</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of the comprehensive care plan, initiated on 11/14/23 and revised on 11/20/24, revealed Resident #14 had a history of depression and insomnia and was taking two antidepressant medications (Trazodone and Lexapro) due to sleep disturbances, withdrawal from activities and refusals of care. He received Ativan for anxiety as evidenced by restlessness and leg movements, pacing, increases in complaints, agitation, obsession about clothing and temperature changes, false accusations against staff, and playing with a suprapubic urinary catheter. Resident #14 was prescribed and administered an antipsychotic medication (Seroquel) related to auditory hallucinations, increased agitation and anxiety. Interventions included referral to a psychologist/psychiatrist as needed.</p> <p>Review of Resident #14's behavior care plan, initiated on 5/16/24 and revised on 11/18/24, revealed the resident had behaviors related to his dementia diagnosis and often made false allegations and statements. The resident yelled and cursed at staff, residents and imaginary individuals and often had auditory hallucinations. He was withdrawn from group activities and stayed in his room most of the day. He had depression at times that caused him to have difficulty sleeping as evidenced by sleep disturbances and restless leg movements.</p> <p>Interventions included administering medications per the physician's order, approaching the resident in a calm manner to avoid frustration and behavior escalation, attempting to redirect the resident when he was exhibiting behaviors, monitoring and documenting episodes of inappropriate behaviors, monitoring the resident's behavior episodes and attempting to determine the underlying cause of the behavior, including considering location, time of day, persons involved and situations, observing and reporting any changes in mental status caused by situational stressors and offering psychologist/psychiatrist services as needed.</p> <p>Review of Resident #14's November 2024 CPO revealed the following physician's orders:</p> <p>Trazodone HCl oral tablet 50 milligrams (mg). Give 25 mg by mouth at bedtime for insomnia and depression, ordered 11/23/23.</p> <p>Cymbalta oral capsule delayed release particles 20 mg (Duloxetine HCl). Give one capsule by mouth one time a day for depression, ordered 11/4/23 and discontinued on 10/31/24.</p> <p>Escitalopram Oxalate (Lexapro tablet 20 mg). Give one tablet by mouth one time a day for depression, ordered 11/1/24.</p> <p>Ativan (Lorazepam) oral tablet 1 mg. Give one tablet by mouth at bedtime related to generalized anxiety, ordered 5/7/24.</p> <p>Quetiapine Fumarate Oral Tablet 25 mg. Give one tablet by mouth three times a day for unspecified dementia, severe, with mood disturbance, ordered 11/14/24.</p> <p>A nurse progress note dated 4/7/24 documented Resident #14 had been angry that he was not served breakfast immediately when entering the dining room. The resident was reminded that the cooking staff did not arrive to work until 6:00 a.m., therefore they were unable to serve him at 5:00 a.m The resident was yelling at his neighbor to 'shut-up', because his neighbor was whistling songs while getting ready for the day.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0882</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Designate a qualified infection preventionist to be responsible for the infection prevent and control program in the nursing home.</p> <p>47536</p> <p>Based on interviews and record review, the facility failed to employ an infection preventionist (IP) who had completed specialized training in infection prevention and control which had the potential to affect all residents residing in the facility at the time of the survey.</p> <p>Specifically, the facility failed to have a qualified IP involved with the facility's infection prevention and control program.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy and procedure</p> <p>The Infection Preventionist policy, revised September 2022, was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 11/21/24 at 8:25 a.m. The policy read in pertinent part,</p> <p>The IP is professionally trained in nursing, medical technology, microbiology, epidemiology, or other related field with at least the following professional training:</p> <p>-A nurse must have earned a certificate/diploma in nursing; and,</p> <p>-A medical technologist must have earned at least an associate's degree in medical technology or clinical laboratory science.</p> <p>The IP is employed on site and at least part time; and,</p> <p>-The IP is scheduled with enough time to properly assess, develop, implement, monitor, and manage the infection control program, address the training requirements, and participate in required committees.</p> <p>II. Record review</p> <p>A request was made for the IP's infection control certificate on 11/20/24 at 2:30 p.m. The director of nursing (DON) was unable to locate the IP certificate of completion.</p> <p>III. Staff interviews</p> <p>The DON was interviewed on 11/20/24 at 2:10 p.m. The DON said she had worked at the facility as a full time DON. She said she completed the required education in 2024 to obtain the infection control certificate but was unable to locate the certificate of completion. The DON said she worked in the facility as a full time DON but also functioned as the facility IP. The DON said she collected infection statistics but had not analyzed the information to ensure the infection control program was effective.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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