

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 085051	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 03/12/2026
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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** Based on record reviews, interviews, and review of the facility's policy, the facility failed to ensure four of nine sampled residents (Resident (R) 4, R46, R8, and R41) reviewed for abuse were free from resident-to-resident physical abuse. On 07/22/25, R8 pushed R4 to the ground. As a result, R4 sustained a closed left radius fracture, a closed, displaced, comminuted right proximal humerus fracture, and a closed, displaced right distal clavicle fracture. Findings include:</p> <p>1. Review of the facility's 5-day Follow Up Report dated 07/25/25 provided by the Administrator, revealed that at the time of the incident on 07/22/25 at 5:30 PM, staff heard someone screaming. Upon entering the hallway, staff observed R4 sitting on the floor holding his head. Staff immediately ran down the hallway to investigate. The Nursing Supervisor/Registered Nurse (NS/RN) reviewed the surveillance video and noted R8 walking down the hall into R4's room. After a few seconds, R4 was seen coming out the room with R8 behind him. R8 pushed R4 to the floor. Staff immediately assessed R4, called 911 and transferred R4 to the emergency room (ER) for further evaluation. While at the hospital, R4 was diagnosed with fractures of the right shoulder and left wrist. R8 was placed on hourly safety checks as well as being seen by psych services due to some residual concerns from the incident.</p> <p>Review of R4's admission Record located in the R4's electronic medical record (EMR) located under the Profile tab revealed R4 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses of dementia with agitation, depression, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).</p> <p>Review of R4's admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) with an Assessment Reference Date (ARD) of 07/01/25 located in the EMR under the MDS tab revealed a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 12 out of 15, which indicated the resident was moderately cognitively impaired. Further review revealed that R4 did not display any behaviors during the review period.</p> <p>Review of R4's Health Status Note dated 07/22/25 located in the EMR under the Progress Notes tab revealed that at approximately 7:05PM, staff heard loud screaming and observed R4 on the floor. The fall was unwitnessed. The resident c/o [complaint of] right shoulder pain and left wrist pain. Noted active bleeding from laceration on forehead measuring approximately 5cm [centimeter] x 1cm, and a second laceration on the nose measuring approximately 1cm x 1cm. Resident appeared clammy and diaphoretic. Resident was unable to be moved safely; nurse supervisor was notified immediately and 911 was called. EMTs [Emergency Medical Technicians] arrived approximately at 1930 [7:30PM] and transported resident to the ER for further evaluation.</p> <p>Review of R4's Post Fall Evaluation dated 07/22/25 located in R4's EMR under the Assessment tab revealed that on 07/22/25 at approximately 7:10 PM, R4 experienced an unwitnessed fall in the (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>Review of R56's admission Record located in R56's EMR under the Profile tab revealed R56 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses of anxiety, major depressive disorder, dementia with other behavioral disturbances and agitation.</p> <p>Review of R56's admission MDS with an ARD of 11/06/25 in the EMR under the MDS tab revealed R56 had severe cognitive impairment as evidenced by a BIMS score of three out of 15. R56 did not display any behaviors during the review period. R56 required supervision or touching assistance with ambulation.</p> <p>Review of R56's comprehensive care plan last revised on 02/06/26 located in the EMR under the Care Plan tab revealed R56 exhibits the following behaviors: compulsiveness, repeating words, invading personal space of others, passive aggressiveness, yelling at staff, disruptive at senior center, demanding, false accusations, restlessness, physical aggression, and attempting to assist residents he believes are in need of help. The pertinent interventions directed staff to assist the resident to develop more appropriate methods of coping and interacting. Divert resident by giving them alternative objects or activity i.e., 1 to 1, activity, gave food and fluids. Familiarize resident with own belongings and surroundings. Intervene as necessary to protect the rights and safety of others. Approach/Speak in a calm manner. Divert attention. Remove from situation and take to alternate location as needed. One-on-one structured activity or taken out for a walk when getting restless or anxious. The care plan was also updated to include hourly safety checks.</p> <p>Review of the Hourly Safety Checks dated 02/05/26 through 03/12/26, provided by the Administrator revealed staff were monitoring R56's whereabouts hourly.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/10/26 at 9:30 AM, R46 denied any abuse or that anyone came into his room and punched him.</p> <p>Attempts to interview CNA10 on 03/12/26 at 3:00 PM and CNA6 at 3:45 PM were unsuccessful. Messages were left for CNA10 and CNA6 to call back for an interview; however, they did not return the call prior to survey exit.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/12/26 at 3:06 PM, the NS/RN stated that R56 was transferred to the dementia/locked unit because of his cognitive decline. R56 likes to swear and R46 does not like that and gets upset. R56 entered R46's room and R46 stated he was hit in the face. Staff immediately intervened, separated, and assessed the residents. After the incident, staff placed R56 on hourly safety checks.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/12/26 at 4:30 PM, the Administrator stated that they are tracking resident to resident incidents, resident complaints, and all reportable incidents. The facility provides mandatory education when there is an allegation of abuse. For the residents on the dementia/locked unit, we have moved residents, implemented stop signs on resident doors to help prevent residents from wandering into other resident rooms, and initiated safety checks (i.e., hourly, every 30 minutes or every 15 minutes) based on the situation. Currently, the facility is looking into some deescalation training for staff. Additionally, the facility has increased staff on the dementia/locked unit so that a staff member is in the common area and can view both halls, and a staff member in the dining/TV area to monitor residents.</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled, Resident Abuse revised on 04/05/23, revealed, The Delaware Veterans Home (DVH) is committed to providing safe and respectful environments that support the (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</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>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, record reviews, interviews, and document review, the facility failed to prevent an accidents. Specifically, a resident fell from a Hoyer lift during a transfer for one out of three residents (Resident (R)51) reviewed for Hoyer lifts. This failure to prevent an accident which resulted in R51 experiencing actual harm of a skin tear to the resident's right elbow. Findings include: Review of R51's electronic medical record (EMR) Face sheet under the Admissions tab that R51 was admitted on [DATE]. Under the EMR section titled Medical Diagnosis tab had pertinent diagnosis including spinal stenosis, lumbosacral region, Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia with other behavioral disturbance, bipolar disorder, pain, spinal stenosis, Review of R51's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) in the EMR under the MDS tab with an Assessment Referent Date (ARD) of 08/13/25 with a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score could not be conducted due to resident was rarely/never understood. Review of the MDS indicated that R51 was dependent on staff for transfers from bed to chair. Review of R51's Care Plans under the Care Plan tab in the EMR revealed an ADL self-care performance deficit r/t [related to] Dementia. is totally dependent on one staff to provide shower. and was dependent on Hoyer lift x2 [with two people assist] . Review of R51's Physician Orders dated 08/06/24 in the EMR under the Physician Orders tab revealed, Transfer: Hoyer lift. Review of R51's EMR review under the tab titled Progress Notes revealed a Health Status Note dated 08/12/25 at 5:46 PM revealed, resident s/p [status post] fall, while trying to get him back from the shower bed back to his wheelchair, the Hoyer lift tip [sic] over and he was lower [sic] to the floor by the CNAs [Certified Nursing Assistants] resident [R51] had a skin tear. Review of R51's EMR Progress Notes tab indicated an Incident Note dated 08/12/25 at 7:05 PM revealed, CNA came to me and stated [R51] was on the floor in his sling. The Hoyer lift was being used with the legs widened, to put the resident in his Geri-chair. As the resident was heading to the chair, the Hoyer tipped sideways. The CNAs held the sling on each side of the resident's head, preventing him from hitting anything and resident was lowered to the floor. His L [left] elbow had a 1.0 cm x 0.1cm [centimeter] skin tear Review of R51's EMR under the Progress Notes tab indicated a Post Fall Evaluation Fall dated 08/12/2025 at 4:20 PM, Fall was witnessed. Fall occurred in the bathroom. Activity at the time of fall: transferring via Hoyer with staff assistance of two. Reason for fall: Hoyer tipped sideways. Did an injury occur as a result of the fall: Yes. Injury details: 1.0 cm x 0.1cm skin tear on R [right] elbow. Did fall result in an ER [emergency room] visit/hospitalization: No. Fall Details Note: CNA stated this resident was on the floor in his sling. The Hoyer lift was being used with the legs widened, to put the resident in his Geri-chair. As the resident was heading to the chair, the Hoyer tipped sideways. The CNAs held the sling on each side of the resident's head, preventing him from hitting anything and resident was lowered to the floor. His L [left] elbow had a 1.0cm x 0.1cm skin tear. Review of R51's EMR Physician Order under the Orders tab revealed an order dated 08/13/25 that indicated, 2- view X-RAY to rt [right] humerus, rt hand and rt forearm. The facility's investigation revealed the Hoyer tipped to the side because CNA7 pushed the lift's feet apart instead of using the button. CNA6 and CNA8 lowered him to the ground. Statements from the CNAs involved revealed the same conclusion. Review of R51's EMR under the Progress Notes tab revealed a note titled Lab Results dated 08/13/25 at 6:05 PM revealed, [R51] lab results hand [2 views] right, no gross fracture or dislocation, humerus [minimum of 2 views] Right no acute fracture or dislocation, Forearm [2 views] Right, no fracture or dislocation. review with team health provider with no new order. During an interview on 03/12/26 at 8:49 AM, Nursing Supervisor/Registered Nurse [NS/RN] stated that R51 was dependent with ADLs, used a Hoyer lift with two people assist to transfer. NS/RN stated that anyone who uses a Hoyer Lift or a sit to stand lift needed to have two people to operate the lift safely. The incident was two CNAs [CNA6 and CNA8] that lowered [R51] in the bathroom, to the floor and he had an elbow injury. The (continued on next page)</p>		

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