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<p>F 0645</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>PASARR screening for Mental disorders or Intellectual Disabilities</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 28892</b></p> <p>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure that a Level II Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) evaluation was completed after a Level 1 screening suggested the possibility of a serious mental illness for one (Resident #6) of one resident reviewed for PASRR, out of 30 residents in the total survey sample.</p> <p>The findings include:</p> <p>A review of Resident #6's medical record revealed an initial admitted [DATE] with the most recent readmission on 4/25/2024. The resident's diagnoses included hereditary and idiopathic neuropathy, hyperlipidemia, dysphagia, pneumonia, fracture of left femur, acquired absence of kidney, sacroccocygeal disorders, gout, anemia, muscle weakness (generalized, history of falling), unspecified intellectual disabilities, not an acceptable Primary Diagnosis, 08/14/2023, Secondary Diagnosis During Stay, 10/4/2023, dementia in other diseases classified elsewhere, unspecified severity with agitation, secondary diagnosis and present on admission (02/24/2025), schizophrenia, unspecified secondary diagnosis, present on admission, 4/17/2024, cognitive communication deficit, dysphagia, chronic pain syndrome, major depressive disorder, recurrent, moderate, secondary diagnosis, present on Admission, 8/25/2023, and essential (primary) hypertension.</p> <p>A review of the care plan initiated 04/19/2019 and revised on 07/02/2024, revealed that Resident #6 had behavior symptoms related to cognitive impairment, refusing to get out of bed, refusing care, and calling staff names. She was noted with combative and aggressive behavior. Care plan interventions included: Intervene as necessary to protect the rights and safety of others. Approach and speak in a calm manner. Divert attention. Remove from situation and take to alternate location as needed. Minimize potential for resident's disruptive behaviors by offering tasks which divert attention, such as a calm approach, no changes in routine (any change, any routine upsets her). If reasonable, discuss resident's behavior. Explain and reinforce to the resident why behavior is inappropriate and/or unacceptable. Provide a calm, quiet atmosphere; loud, crowded areas appear to be overstimulating. Minimize the potential for resident behavior problems by modifying environmental factors and daily routine.</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 0645</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of the resident's PASRR, completed by a Social Worker (MSW - Master of Social Work) and dated 07/17/2024, revealed in Section I A. Depressive disorder, schizoaffective disorder and schizophrenia. Related conditions were noted as cognitive/communication deficit. Substantial functional limitations in three or more major life activities were noted as: Capacity for independent living, learning, self-care and self-direction. Findings were based on documented history, individual and medication. Section II: Other indications for PASRR Screen Decision-Making documented that there was an indication that the individual has or may have had a disorder resulting in functional limitations in major life activities that would otherwise be appropriate for the individual's developmental stage. It further documented the concentration, persistence, and pace: The individual has serious difficulty in sustaining focused attention for long enough period to permit the completion of tasks commonly found in work settings or in work-like structured activities occurring in school or home settings, manifests difficulties in concentration, inability to complete simple tasks within an established time period, makes frequent errors, or requires assistance in the completion of these tasks. The form documented that the resident had a related neurocognitive disorder. And finally, the form, dated and signed on 07/17/2024 at 1:30 PM, documented that the MSW spoke to Resident #6's legal guardian, who consented to the information being shared.</p> <p>On 04/02/2025 at 2:25 PM, the Administrator provided a copy of the resident's Florida PASRR Level II Receipt of Referral Packet Notice of Missing Required Documentation sent to the facility and dated 07/31/2024. The letter read, We have received a referral to complete a PASRR Level II Review on [Resident #6]. In order to complete the PASRR Level II evaluation and determination, we ask that you send a copy of the following required documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Informed Consent</li> <li>- Minimum Data Set (MDS)</li> <li>- Patient Transfer/Continuity of Care (3008)</li> <li>- Relevant Case Notes/Records of Treatment</li> </ul> <p>The letter further noted, This information should be sent to us within five business days from the date of this notice. If the information is not submitted within the requested timeframe, we will close the request.</p> <p>During an interview with the Administrator on 04/02/2025 at 2:25 PM, he stated, I couldn't find anything in our system other than the copy of the Florida PASRR Level II Receipt of Referral Packet Notice of Missing Required Documentation, dated 07/31/2024. He explained that he was not aware of whether or not any of the requested documentation for a Level II PASRR for Resident #6 was submitted, and he would need to check with the Director of Social Services when the employee returned from leave. The Administrator also noted that the facility did not have a policy and procedure for PASRR.</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Develop and implement a complete care plan that meets all the resident's needs, with timetables and actions that can be measured.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 45153</p> <p>Based on observations, interviews, and record review, the facility failed to develop comprehensive care plans that included measurable objectives and timeframes to meet residents' medical, nursing, mental, and psychosocial needs for four (Residents #1, #40, #24 and #31) of 30 residents reviewed for care planning from a total survey sample of 30 residents.</p> <p>The findings include:</p> <p>1. On 3/30/25 at 11:30 AM, Resident #1 was observed in bed with a pressure relieving mattress, catheter bag hanging at bedside, bilateral boots to prevent pressure wounds, and a peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) line in the left upper arm.</p> <p>A review of the medical record revealed that Resident #1 was initially admitted on [DATE]. On 2/21/25, he had an unplanned discharge to an acute care hospital with return anticipated. On 3/1/25, he was readmitted from the hospital. Resident #1's diagnoses included multiple sclerosis, contractures of both knees, pressure ulcer of the left buttocks-Stage 4, chronic pain, hydronephrosis, dementia, history of transient ischemic attack (TIA), extended spectrum beta lactamase (ESBL) resistance and sepsis.</p> <p>A review of the quarterly minimum data set (MDS) assessment with an assessment reference date (ARD) of 3/4/25 revealed that the resident had a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of 15 out of 15 possible points, indicating intact cognition. No behaviors were noted including refusal of care. The resident required a mechanical lift and two-person assistance with care activities.</p> <p>A review of the physician's orders dated 3/1/25 revealed:</p> <p>Methocarbamol Oral Tablet 500 milligrams (mg), 2 tablets four times a day (QID) (muscle relaxant)</p> <p>Rivaroxaban Oral Tablet 20 milligrams (mg), 1 tablet daily (QD) (anticoagulant)</p> <p>Primidone Oral Tablet 50 milligrams (mg), 1 tablet daily (QD) (anticonvulsant)</p> <p>Lasix (anti-diuretic) Oral Tablet 40 milligrams (mg), 1 tablet every other day (QOD) (diuretic)</p> <p>Occupational Therapy (OT) clarification order: OT evaluation and treatment 5 x week for self -care. ADLs (activities of daily living), therapeutic activities, neuromuscular re-education in order to return to prior level of function (PLOF).</p> <p>Suprapubic catheter care every shift, cleanse site and replace t-sponge.</p> <p>Flush PICC Line: Flush lumens every 12 hours with 10 ml (milliliters) normal saline.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Behavior monitoring: daytime sleepiness; difficulty concentrating; fatigue; irritability; aggressiveness every shift behavior monitoring due to use of hypnotic medication (2/19/2025)</p> <p>Mirtazapine (antidepressant) oral 1 tablet 15 mg by mouth at bedtime related to depression, unspecified (2/21/2025)</p> <p>Lorazepam (benzodiazepine) oral tablet 0.5 mg, give 1 tablet by mouth every 24 hours as needed at bedtime for anxiety and insomnia (3/7/2025)</p> <p>DNR (do not resuscitate) (3/3/2025)</p> <p>A review of the resident's care plan (revision date 3/11/25) revealed no focus areas, goals or interventions for the resident's use of anticoagulant, opioid, antidepressant, or benzodiazepine medications. (Copy obtained)</p> <p>A review of the March 2025 and April 2025 medication administration records (MARs) and treatment administration records (TARs) revealed that medications were provided as ordered; however, no behavior monitoring was located in the records.</p> <p>During an interview on 4/2/25 at 11:50 a.m. with LPN A/MDS Coordinator, she stated she updated care plans by reviewing the residents' hospital records or medical records, through resident and family meetings, and by reviewing the physicians' orders. Nursing completed the initial baseline care plan. The MDS department scheduled care plan meetings. They usually occurred at three weeks. When the resident's MDS assessment was completed, the care plan opened up and was subsequently completed in the resident's record. The baseline care plan was completed on paper. When asked how she ensured that all care plans were complete, LPN A replied that was accomplished through audits. There was a review date and target complete date that she monitored. She also monitored input from other departments. She signed off the completion of the care plan during the care plan meeting with the families and/or residents. Care plan meetings were held on Tuesdays. Residents were added to the care plan schedule. The purpose of the care plan was to ensure that all staff were on the same page and understood the residents' needs. The care plan was due for completion seven days after the MDS assessment was closed. Staff knew specific interventions that should be implemented related to a resident's care and services by either the baseline care plan or the care plan or kardex system. LPN A was asked to identify where Resident #40's care plan addressed specific care, services, and interventions for his use of anticoagulant, opioid, antidepressant, and benzodiazepine medications, as well as for pain management. LPN A confirmed there were no care plans for these medications or for pain management. When asked who reviewed the MDS assessments, LPN A stated the Director of Nursing (DON) reviewed and signed off on them. The MDS department would let the Director of Nursing know that the MDS assessments were ready to be reviewed and signed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Who is responsible for initiating the resident care plan on admission? I look for their diagnoses in the hospital records to start the care plan. I talk to the CNAs (certified nursing assistants) and family to get more information about the resident, and review the physician orders. We have up to 14 days to complete the comprehensive care plan. Each department adds their own parts of the comprehensive care plan. I monitor all the departments' input and make sure everything is completed before it is signed off as completed.</p> <p>Is the initial baseline resident care plan documented on paper? Yes.</p> <p>What is the purpose of the resident care plan? The care plan itself is so everybody is on the same page on how to take care of the resident.</p> <p>What are some of the medication categories that should be addressed in a resident's care plan? I personally care plan antibiotics, antidepressants, antianxiety, psychotropics, diuretics, hypnotics, anticoagulants, antiplatelets, and IV medication.</p> <p>When there is a change in condition, who is responsible for updating the resident care plan? That is nursing and myself would do that, and it's based on the order summary that the Unit Manager runs in the mornings. We review it, but the nurses can update the care plan anytime they initiate an order.</p> <p>LPN A was asked to access the care plan for Resident #31 in the EMR. She was asked to find a care plan that addressed her recent antibiotic use or any indication for infection.</p> <p>LPN A stated, I don't see a care plan for any indication of infection or current antibiotic use.</p> <p>On 4/2/25 at 12:48 p.m., an interview was conducted with LPN E.</p> <p>She was asked the following:</p> <p>When she was asked who was responsible for updating a resident care plan, she stated she ran a summary of new orders every morning and reviewed those orders with the clinical team to ensure that everything had been addressed. She named the MDS nurses as staff who would actually access a resident's care plan in the EMR and update the care plan intervention, or goals, with pertinent input from the clinical team during the morning clinical meeting.</p> <p>What is the purpose of the resident care plan? It's a plan to tell us how to take care of the resident.</p> <p>She was asked to access Resident #24's current care plan in the EMR and find a care plan focus for the current order for antibiotic use and the indication. I can't find anything.</p> <p>Who is responsible for transcribing lab orders? Whoever receives the order.</p> <p>How long does it take for the facility to receive lab results? It's based on the lab; if it's STAT it's taken to the hospital, and it usually reports in 5-6 hours or sometimes before that, and if it's not ordered STAT, the lab technicians usually come in the morning to draw the lab, and the results come back by that afternoon.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Who receives the results? They come into [EMR] and some lab results come by fax. All nurses are responsible for looking out for lab results. I usually check first thing in the morning as part of my routine and bring the results to the morning clinical meeting.</p> <p>Who is responsible for collecting urine samples from the residents? The nurses.</p> <p>Are urine samples collected on any particular shift? Not really.</p> <p>What is the facility's process for making sure lab specimens are collected in a timely manner? If you have a urinalysis that is not a STAT order, the night shift will collect it and the lab picks it up in the morning. If it's a STAT order, the nurse collects it right then.</p> <p>What is the facility's process for making sure lab orders are followed through on in a timely manner? We have a list that the lab technician uses to note what labs were drawn, and which specimens were collected or picked up. We can also check in [EMR] to review them with the clinical team in the morning meeting to determine if labs were collected or not.</p> <p>How many days a week does the facility have lab services? Monday through Sunday but on the weekends they only come if we have STAT orders.</p> <p>She was asked to access the EMR for Resident #24 and review the lab orders. She confirmed that the resident had labs for RSV, urinalysis with reflex culture, and CMP &amp; CBC with differential orders on 3/28/2025. She was asked to provide the results. She stated, I'm not sure why these results have not come back yet. I will contact the lab and get back with you on what I find out.</p> <p>On 4/2/25 at 4:00 p.m., LPN E returned to provide an update on the lab results. She stated, The new nurse documented that the labs had been collected when really they had not. She wasn't aware of how that should have been documented.</p> <p>4. On 3/30/25 at 1:58 p.m., Resident #31 was observed with a large, purple-colored bruise on her left forearm. When she was asked about the area, Resident #31 stated, It was worse; it's gotten better.</p> <p>On 4/1/25 at 12:16 p.m., a record review revealed that Resident #31 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses including major depressive disorder, Type II diabetes mellitus with diabetic peripheral angiopathy without gangrene/with hyperglycemia, mood [affective] disorder, anxiety disorder, wedge compression fracture of first, second, fourth and fifth lumbar vertebra, heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, atrial fibrillation and a diagnosis of dementia documented on the psychiatric evaluation dated 2/11/25.</p> <p>On 4/1/25 at 12:16 p.m., a review of the quarterly MDS assessment, dated 1/25/25, revealed a BIMS score of 14/15, indicating intact cognition. MDS documentation also indicated that the resident received insulin injections, antidepressant, anticoagulant, and diuretic medications during the assessment period.</p> <p>On 4/1/25 at 12:16 p.m., a review of the resident's current care plan revealed the following focus areas:</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Focus: The resident uses antidepressant medication related to Depression (Initiated: 10/31/2024, Revision on: 10/31/2024)</p> <p>Focus: The resident has pain/discomfort related to multiple back fractures, compression fractures, neuropathy. (Initiated: 10/31/2024, Revision on: 01/10/2025)</p> <p>There were no care plans available that addressed resident care for anticoagulant use, diuretic use, insulin use or Advanced Directives/DNR (Do Not Resuscitate).</p> <p>On 4/1/25 at 12:16 p.m., a review of the resident's active physician's orders revealed:</p> <p>Furosemide (diuretic) oral tablet 40 mg, Give 1 tablet by mouth in the morning related to Heart Failure (10/24/2024)</p> <p>Humalog Injection Solution 100 unit/ml (units per milliliter) (Insulin Lispro), inject as per sliding scale subcutaneously before meals and at bedtime related to type II DM (diabetes mellitus) (10/25/2024)</p> <p>Eliquis (anticoagulant) oral tablet 2.5 mg, give 1 tablet by mouth two times a day related to Atrial fibrillation (12/4/2024 )</p> <p>Lantus Solo Star Subcutaneous Solution Pen-injector 100 unit/ml (Insulin Glargine), inject 20 units subcutaneously in the morning related to type II DM with hyperglycemia (1/10/25)</p> <p>Trazodone (antidepressant) Oral tablet 50 mg, give 1 tablet by mouth one time a day for sleep (1/7/25)</p> <p>Sertraline (selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor - can be used to treat depression or anxiety) Oral Tablet 25 mg (2/12/25)</p> <p>Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen (combination opioid-over-the-counter analgesic pain medication) Oral Tablet 5-325 mg, give 1 tablet by mouth every 8 hours as needed for pain (2/18/25)</p> <p>Antidepressant Medication - Observe for behavior (specify) every shift, (11/14/24)</p> <p>Antidepressant Medication - Side Effects monitor every shift (11/14/24)</p> <p>Donepezil (acetylcholinesterase inhibitor) 10 mg by mouth at bedtime for dementia (10/24/24)</p> <p>DNR (Do not resuscitate) (1/6/25).</p> <p>On 4/2/25 at 11:54 a.m., an interview was conducted with LPN A/MDS Coordinator.</p> <p>She was asked to access the initial care plan for Resident #31 and find a focus area that addressed anticoagulant use. I do not see one.</p> <p>She was asked to find a care plan focus area that addressed diuretic use. There is indication for diuretic use under her care plan for falls, for nutrition and for incontinence.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>She was asked to find a care plan focus area that addressed the resident's Advanced Directive status for DNR. I do not see one.</p> <p>She was asked to find a care plan focus area that addressed Diabetes Mellitus and insulin use. I do not see one.</p> <p>On 4/2/25 at 12:48 p.m., an interview was conducted with LPN E/Unit Manager.</p> <p>She was asked to access the current care plan for Resident #31 in the EMR and find a care plan focus area that addressed anticoagulant use. I don't see it.</p> <p>She was asked to find a care plan focus that addressed the resident's Advanced Directive status for DNR. I don't see it.</p> <p>She was asked to find a care plan focus area that addressed Diabetes Mellitus and insulin use. It's not there.</p> <p>A review of the facility's policy and procedure for Comprehensive Care Plans, (implemented 3/20/25, revised 2/27/25, reviewed [NAME] President of Operations), revealed:</p> <p>Policy:</p> <p>It is the policy of this facility to develop and implement a comprehensive person-centered care plan for each resident, consistent with resident rights, that includes measurable objectives and timeframes to meet a resident's medical, nursing, and mental psychological needs, and all services that are identified in the resident's comprehensive assessment and meet professional standards of quality.</p> <p>Policy Explanation and Compliance Guidelines:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The care planning process will include an assessment of the resident's strengths and needs, and will incorporate the resident's personal and cultural preferences in developing goals of care. All services provided or arranged by the facility, as outlined by the comprehensive care plan, must meet professional standards of quality, and incorporate culturally competent and trauma-informed care as indicated.</li> <li>2. The comprehensive care plan will be developed within seven days after completion of the comprehensive MDS assessment. All Care Assessment Areas (CAAs) triggered by the MDS will be considered in developing the plan of care. Other factors identified by the interdisciplinary team, or in accordance with the resident's preferences, will also be addressed in the plan of care. The facility's rationale for deciding whether to proceed with care planning will be evidenced in the clinical record.</li> <li>3. The comprehensive care plan will describe, at a minimum, the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The services that are to be furnished to attain or maintain the resident's highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide appropriate treatment and care according to orders, resident's preferences and goals.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 42442</b></p> <p>Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to provide treatment and care in accordance with professional standards of practice for two (Residents #304 and #305) of 30 residents in the total survey sample. Resident #304 was not provided adequate care for a Jackson Pratt (JP) drain, and the facility failed to obtain a timely hospice consult per physician's orders for Resident #305, who was admitted on [DATE], with a physician's order for Consult [provider name] Hospice dated 3/12/25 at 12:55 PM. As of 4/2/25, three weeks after the order was written and on the last day of the survey, there was no documented evidence that a hospice consult had been obtained.</p> <p>The findings include:</p> <p>1. A review of Resident #304's medical record revealed an admitted [DATE] with a re- entry on 3/26/25. Diagnoses included encounter for surgical aftercare following surgery, non-pressure chronic ulcer of lower leg with unspecified severity, diabetes mellitus type II, pressure ulcer of the sacral region stage III, need for assistance with personal care, calculus of gall bladder and bile duct with acute and chronic cholecystitis with obstruction, cellulitis, and dementia. A review of the Medical Certification for Medicaid Long-Term Care Services and Patient Transfer Form (AHCA form 5000-3008), dated 3/26/25, revealed that the resident had a JP drain at the abdomen upon transfer from the hospital to the facility on [DATE]. (Copy obtained)</p> <p>A review of the resident's progress notes revealed a physician's progress note dated 3/28/25, indicating that the resident was seen for follow-up after a recent hospital re-admission. During her hospitalization , she was initially scheduled for a computed tomography (CT) of her chest to rule out pulmonary embolism (PE); however, an incidental finding of gallstones was noted and she underwent a cholecystectomy (gall bladder removal). Currently, she had two laparoscopic sites (incision sites) covered with 2x2 gauze and Tegaderm, as well as a JP drain in her right upper quadrant draining serosanguinous fluid.</p> <p>Plan: Post-cholecystectomy status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Keep surgical sites clean and dry. Do not remove dressings unless instructed by your healthcare provider.</li> <li>- Monitor JP drain output and report any significant changes in color, amount, or consistency of drainage.</li> <li>- Report any signs of infection such as increased redness, swelling, warmth, or fever.</li> <li>- Gradually increase activity as tolerated, but avoid strenuous activities for at least 4-6 weeks.</li> <li>- Follow up with surgeon as scheduled for drain removal and wound check. (Copy obtained)</li> </ul> <p>(continued on next page)</p>

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of the active physician's orders revealed a physician order dated 3/26/25 for Flagyl (antibiotic) 500 milligrams (mg) two times a day (BID) related to surgical aftercare following surgery on the digestive system. There were no orders for care of the JP drain care or monitoring for signs and symptoms of infection. (Copies obtained)</p> <p>2. A review of Resident #305's medical record revealed an admitted [DATE] with diagnoses including non-displaced intertrochanteric fracture of the right femur, anorexia, dementia, muscle wasting and atrophy, cognitive communication deficit, depression, anemia, and cardiomyopathy.</p> <p>A review of the active physician's orders revealed:</p> <p>3/11/25 - Eliquis (anticoagulant) 2.5 mg BID (twice daily) for deep vein thrombosis (DVT).</p> <p>3/12/25 - Furosemide (diuretic) 40 mg (milligrams) daily for congestive heart failure (CHF).</p> <p>3/12/25 - Trazadone (serotonin antagonist and reuptake inhibitor - can be used for depression or as a sedative) 50 mg at bedtime (HS) for depression.</p> <p>3/12/25 - Consult hospice related to dementia.</p> <p>A review of the resident's progress notes revealed a nursing progress note dated 3/12/25, indicating that Resident #305 was moved from 206B to 101A, closer to the nursing station, due to restlessness/irritability. A psychiatric consult was ordered. A new order was received for Trazodone at HS. The resident's family member was made aware of the room change and the resident's status, and a new order was received for a hospice consultation.</p> <p>A review of all of the resident's progress notes with Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) E/Unit Manager from the date of admission (3/11/25) through 4/2/25, revealed no information indicating that the physician's 3/12/25 hospice order was followed through on. LPN E confirmed there was no documentation indicating follow through</p> <p>A review of the Social Worker's notes revealed no information indicating that the physician's 3/12/25 hospice order was followed through on.</p> <p>A review of the physician's progress note dated 3/18/25 revealed that the reason for the visit was a follow-up due to dementia, insomnia, CHF, and muscle weakness. It was noted that the resident was observed being wheeled around the facility in her wheelchair by her family member, and was seen being fed lunch by her family member during rounds. She exhibited behavioral issues, including biting staff members and spitting out her pills. Concerns were raised by both the resident's family member and the staff regarding her memory issues and tendency to wander, as well as her getting up out of her wheelchair. The resident's family member had scheduled an appointment with hospice for Thursday.</p> <p>A review of the resident's current care plan (initiated on 3/11/25) revealed that there was no indication for hospice. No hospice certification paperwork was provided upon request.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of the Admission 5-day Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment, with an assessment reference date (ARD) of 3/17/25, revealed that the resident's brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score was left blank. The assessment documented that resident exhibited hallucinations, delusions, and wandering behaviors that interfered with her participation in activities or social interactions.</p> <p>In an interview on 4/2/25 at 12:38 PM, Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) E/Unit Manager, stated she had worked at the facility for about a year. When asked how she was notified of new orders, she explained that during the daily clinical meeting, all new admissions' records were reviewed to ensure that the documentation was complete. She stated the clinical team also reviewed the order listing for new orders and risk management noted and updated the care plan. When asked about Resident #305's functional status, LPN E stated the resident was confused and dependent on staff for all activities of daily living (ADL). When asked if the resident was receiving hospice services, LPN E said, The consult was placed on 3/12/25 and the Social Services Director (SSD) was to arrange for the services. She stated the SSD was not in the facility; therefore, she could not tell what the progress was on the consult. She reviewed the resident's record and said, There is no certification paperwork. Normally, when a resident is picked up by hospice, the nursing department is left with admission paperwork. Additionally, the nurses complete a progress note on the same. When asked about Resident #304's care, she stated that resident was sent to the emergency roaignom on [DATE] for elevated temperature, decreased breath sounds on the left side, and decreased oxygen saturation. Resident #304 returned to the facility on [DATE] after gastrointestinal (GI) surgery. She had for flagyl for surgical after care. When asked if the resident had any indwelling devices, LPN E stated she was not aware. She reviewed the resident's record and confirmed she had a JP drain and there was no order for care of the drain. She added that if there was no order, the nurses should document under the progress notes. She confirmed that there were no progress notes related to JP care and monitoring of the output. She said, If it's not documented it's not done. She also confirmed that the Flagyl antibiotic did not have a stop date.</p> <p>A review of the facility's policy titled Provision of Physician Ordered Services (reviewed 7/21/24), revealed that the purpose of the policy was to provide a reliable process for the proper and consistent provision of physician-ordered services according to professional standards of quality.</p> <p>Definition:</p> <p>Professional Standards of Quality means that care and all services are provided according to accepted standards of clinical practice. Standards may apply to care provided by a particular clinical discipline or in a specific clinical situation or setting.</p> <p>Policy Explanation and Compliance Guidelines:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Facility will maintain a schedule of diagnostic tests (laboratory and radiology) in accordance with the physicians' orders. No diagnostic tests or consultation requests will be performed without specific physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialists' orders in accordance with State law, including scope of practice laws.</li> <li>2. Qualified nursing personnel will submit timely requests for physician-ordered services (laboratory, radiology, consultations) to the appropriate entity.</li> </ol> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>3. Qualified nursing personnel will receive and review the diagnostic test reports or consults and communicate the results to the ordering physician, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist within 24 hours of receipt unless the reports fall outside of clinical reference ranges in accordance with facility policies and procedures for notification of a practitioner or per the ordering physician's orders. Ordering provider will be notified of results upon receipt if deemed critical and/or require immediate attention.</p> <p>4. Documentation of consultations, diagnostic tests, the results, and date/time of physician notification will be maintained in the resident's clinical record.</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><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 42442</b></p> <p>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to establish an infection prevention and control program (IPCP) that included a system for preventing, identifying, reporting, investigating, and controlling infections, specifically, the spread of a gastrointestinal infection (GI) affecting 15 (Residents #208, #32, #42, #36, #22, #207, #21, #24, #35, #51, #40, #1, #8, #14 and #20) of 50 residents living in the facility. Failure to control the spread of infection can result in serious harm to residents, staff, volunteers, visitors, and other individuals providing services to the facility. Facility staff also failed to implement enhanced barrier precautions (EBP) for two (Residents #1 and #304) of two residents with indwelling devices from a total survey sample of 30 residents.</p> <p>The findings include:</p> <p>On 3/30/25 at 11:00 AM, upon entrance to the facility, Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) G notified the survey team that there was a gastrointestinal (GI) outbreak and stated approximately 50% of the residents were symptomatic with vomiting and diarrhea. She recommended the use of surgical masks while in the facility. Staff were observed with surgical masks. No personal protective equipment (PPE) was observed outside residents' rooms or signs notifying staff and visitors of illness. In an telephone interview on 03/30/25 at 11:30 AM, the Director of Nursing (DON)/Infection Control Preventionist was asked to provide more information related to resident status and how the symptoms began. She said, The symptoms started on Friday (3/28) morning. Residents reported that the pizza they ate the previous night might have upset their stomachs. She said residents were provided with hydration. At this time, I'm not sure how many residents have symptoms. I was unwell yesterday. The DON added that she was enroute to the facility and would provide more information upon arrival.</p> <p>In an interview on 03/30/25 at 11:45 AM, LPN F stated there were eight residents on her unit (West Wing) that were symptomatic. Three residents started exhibiting symptoms on Friday and five other residents started exhibiting symptoms on Saturday (3/29). She stated resident vital signs were within normal limits (WNL). She confirmed that there were no residents on any type of isolation precautions including enhanced barrier precautions. She provided a list indicating that 13 residents had symptoms. (Residents #208, #32, #42, #36, #22, #207, #21, #24, #35, #51, #40, #1, and #8)</p> <p>In a follow-up interview on 03/30/25 at 12:00 PM, LPN G stated there were 11 residents on her unit (East Wing) that were symptomatic. She mentioned that five residents started having diarrhea and vomiting on Friday, and six additional residents started experiencing symptoms on Saturday. She confirmed that there were no residents on any type of isolation precautions including enhanced barrier precautions.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</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>On 03/30/25 at 12:30 PM, the DON stated four residents started showing signs and symptoms on Friday morning. These residents stated that whatever they ate on Thursday night may have upset their stomachs. Of the four residents, three were prescribed IV (intravenous) fluids and one resident who was alert oriented was encouraged to drink fluids. The DON added that there were two employees who also had symptoms. As of last night, three more residents started having symptoms, and the Medical Director ordered stool for Oval and Parasite (O&amp;P) for salmonella, shigella, norovirus and requested an Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA) immediately (STAT). When asked to describe the precautions currently in place, the DON stated the facility was utilizing universal precautions until they had confirmed results. She stated she had not contacted the Department of Health (DOH) for guidance, but would do so by the end of the day and initiate a line listing (method of tracking infections).</p> <p>During a tour on 03/30/25 at 2:00 PM, Resident #24 was observed lying in bed. She stated she was feeling better after a few days of vomiting and not feeling well. A review of her medical record revealed that the resident stated she vomited on 3/27/25. She was visited by the APRN (advanced practice registered nurse) on 3/28/25 (Friday) for symptoms of a fever at 102.1 degrees Fahrenheit (F) and vomiting, with a risk for dehydration and infection suspected. She was prescribed new orders for Rocephin (antibiotic) 1gram (gm) intramuscularly (IM) x 4 days and an intravenous (IV) fluid bolus x1 day.</p> <p>In an interview on 03/31/25 (Monday) at 9:29 AM, the DON stated she had initiated the line listing. (Copy obtained) She stated as of last night (Sunday) all of the residents' symptoms had resolved. When she was asked for the laboratory results, she stated she had not received the results yet.</p> <p>On 03/31/25 at 10:38 AM, Resident #40 stated he was not doing great. He stated he felt nauseated.</p> <p>On 03/31/25 at 11:00 AM, Resident #207 stated she had diarrhea this morning. She further stated she had been nauseated with vomiting and diarrhea for the last three days.</p> <p>A review of the line listing, dated 3/30/25, and provided on 3/31/25 at 9:30 AM, revealed that Residents #40 and #207's symptoms had resolved as of 3/30/25. (Copy obtained)</p> <p>A joint interview was conducted on 03/31/25 at 3:26 PM with the DON and the Administrator. The DON stated she had not yet received the laboratory results. She was asked if there were any other residents that exhibited symptoms today. The DON replied, no. After three inquiries, the DON repeated that all residents' symptoms had resolved. She stated she conducted rounds in the morning with the Unit Manager and no symptoms were noted. She stated there had been no symptoms as far as she was aware of up to the time of this interview. She stated she was waiting for the lab results. She confirmed that there were no residents who had symptoms reported. When asked the names of the residents who had samples obtained, she replied that Residents #36 and #207 had samples obtained. When she was asked when the samples were obtained, she replied, this morning. She was again asked if there were residents that still had symptoms. She said, Just those two and it was one time in the morning. When she was asked to review the line listing she provided in the morning dated 3/30/25, she confirmed that Resident #36 was not added and the list indicated that Resident #207's symptoms were resolved as of 3/30/25. She added Resident #36 to the line listing in the presence of the surveyor. Residents #14 and #20 were added to the list on 4/1/25 making 16 the total number of residents listed on the report.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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