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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 115461	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/19/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Townsend Park Health and Rehabilitation		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 196 North Dixie Avenue Cartersville, GA 30120	
For information on the nursing home's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the nursing home or the state survey agency.			
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F 0880 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, staff interviews, record review, and review of the facility policies titled, Hand Hygiene, and Transmission-Based Precautions (Contact, Enhanced Barrier Precautions, Droplet, Airborne), the facility failed to implement appropriate infection prevention and control practices for one of fourteen sampled residents (R) (R14). Specifically, staff failed to follow Enhanced Barrier Precautions (EBP) during high-contact perineal care for a resident with wounds. This deficient practice had the potential to increase the risk of infection transmission to residents and staff. Findings include: Observation made on 05/19/2026 at 10:24 AM for R14 revealed, Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) CNA AA and CNA BB providing perineal care while wearing only gloves and not wearing gowns as required under EBP. Observation revealed the resident had a bowel movement and staff performed cleansing of the perineal area and buttocks, changed the resident's brief, and replaced the soiled draw sheet. After completion of care, CNA AA was observed leaving the resident's room wearing soiled gloves while carrying two bags containing soiled linen and a soiled brief. She walked down the hallway to dispose of the bags in hallway receptacles prior to glove removal and hand hygiene. After disposing of the bags, she removed her gloves and discarded them in the receptacle, then entered a resident room located across from the receptacle to use wall-mounted hand sanitizer. Interview with CNA AA confirmed she exited the resident room and entered the hallway while wearing soiled gloves and did not perform hand hygiene prior to leaving the room after providing perineal care. She further stated she was aware staff are not supposed to wear gloves in the hallway. Interview with the Director of Nursing (DON) on 05/19/2026 at 11:09 AM confirmed, it is the facility's expectation that staff do not wear gloves in the hallway and perform hand hygiene immediately after glove removal because hands may still be contaminated. The DON stated this practice was necessary to prevent the spread of infection and germs outside the resident's room and confirmed staff education regarding infection control expectations had already been provided. Review of the electronic medical record (EMR) revealed R14 was admitted on [DATE], and pertinent diagnoses included, but not limited to, pressure ulcer of left heel, stage 1; pressure induced deep tissue damage sacral region; type 2 diabetes mellitus with hyperglycemia; type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic chronic kidney disease; chronic kidney disease, stage 3b; need for assistance with personal care. Review of R14's admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE], revealed a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 13, which indicated little to no cognitive impairment. Section GG: (Functional status), revealed R14 required partial to moderate assistance with activities of daily living (ADLs). Section M: (Skin conditions), revealed R14 was at risk for pressure ulcers/injuries. Review of R14's care plan updated 05/19/2026, indicated a problem of skin breakdown related to surgical wound to left leg s/p (status post) surgical repair of femur; left heel pressure ulcer, and pressure ulcer perineal/buttocks area. Goals included but were not limited to: the resident will not have skin breakdown/further breakdown to area through the review period. Interventions included but were not limited to: pressure-reducing/redistribution devices, off-loading heels, surgical wound treatments as ordered, and treatments/dressings as ordered by the physician. Review of the Physician's Orders for R14 included, but was not limited to: Order dated 03/31/2026 for honey-gel (wound treatment) Tuesday, (continued on next page)		

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.

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE	TITLE	(X6) DATE
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