

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  115659	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  12/30/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Life Care Ctr of Lawrenceville		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  210 Collins Industrial Way Lawrenceville, GA 30045	

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<p>F 0578</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to request, refuse, and/or discontinue treatment, to participate in or refuse to participate in experimental research, and to formulate an advance directive.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on record review, resident and staff interviews, and review of the facility policies titled, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Policy and Advance Directives and Advance Care Planning, the facility failed to communicate and ensure preference for the change in code status from full code to do not resuscitate (DNR) was updated in the medical record for one of three sampled residents (R) (R1). The deficient practice had the potential to deny the residents and/or representatives the opportunity to direct health care in the event that they were to become unable to make decisions or communicate health care preferences. Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the facility policy titled Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Policy last revision date of [DATE] documented under Definitions: Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) Order &amp;ndash; refers to a medical order issued by a physician or other authorized non-physician practitioner that directs healthcare providers not to administer CPR in the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest. Existence of an advance directive does not imply that a resident has a DNR order. The medical record should show evidence of documented discussions leading to a DNR order.</p> <p>Review of the policy titled Advance Directives and Advance Care Planning, revised [DATE] and reviewed [DATE], documented under Procedure: . 6. Residents may revise an advance directive either orally or in writing. With an oral reversal, charting is due immediately, the physician is notified immediately, an immediate notation is made on the care plan, and an immediate entry is made in the medical record. With written reversals, the physician is notified, and the plan is permanently adjusted. The physician must give an order for any changes in the advance directives.</p> <p>Review of the electronic medical record (EMR) revealed R1 was admitted pertinent diagnoses including but not limited to metabolic encephalopathy, progressive neurological conditions, non-Alzheimer's dementia, and malnutrition (protein, calorie), risk of malnutrition.</p> <p>Review of R1's admissions Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 00, which indicates R1 had severe cognitive impairment. Section GG, Functional Status, revealed R1 required extensive assistance for activities of daily living (ADLs) with one or more-person assistance.</p> <p>Review of R1's care plan dated [DATE] indicated a problem of R1 prefers to remain a full code. Goals included but not limited to R1 wish to remain a full code will be honored. Interventions included but not limited to code status will be reviewed on a quarterly basis and PRN (as needed), Resident has decided to remain a Full Code .</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.

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