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<p>F 0609</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Timely report suspected abuse, neglect, or theft and report the results of the investigation to proper authorities.</p> <p>Based on interview and record review the facility failed to follow their abuse policy by not reporting alleged allegations of abuse for 1 of 1 (R4) residents within 2 hours reviewed for abuse reporting. Findings include: On 3/22/2026 at 2:46 pm, R4 who was assessed to be alerted and oriented to person, place and time said he reported physical abuse by V11 (Certified Nursing Assistant/CNA) to V17 (Nurse). R4 said he was hit with an open hand on his right posterior upper arm and verbally abused/cursed out by V11. R4 said he reported the allegations to V17 the night it happened around midnight on 3/22/2026 and V1 on Monday 3/23/2026 to V1. On 3/27/2026 at 2:40 pm, Regional office was called and reported there was no facility reportable abuse allegation for R4 dated 3/23/2026. On 3/27/2026 at 2:43 pm, V1 (Administrator) said V17 called and reported the incident when it happened, but he missed the call due to being asleep, when he called back, it was already passed noncompliance, so he did not report the initial abuse allegation for R4. V1 said he was going to send the initial report with the final report. Nursing note dated 3/23/2026 (1:09 am) Resident (R4) stated, 'She hit me and I'm calling the Police.' DON and Administrator notified. Facility provided Initial report dated 3/24/2026 at 1 am. R4 had an allegation of physical abuse. Abuse Policy and Prevention Program dated 10/2022 documents: Any allegation of abuse or any incident that results in serious bodily injury will be reported to the Illinois Department of Public health immediately, but not more than two hours after the allegation of abuse. Any incident that does not involve abuse and does not result in serious bodily injury shall be reported within 24 hours.</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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</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 interviews and record review, the facility failed to supervise R1 who was diagnosed with Mild Dementia with moderate cognitive impairment, who was identified as incapable of unsupervised outside pass privileges, scored as high risk for elopement with exit-seeking behavior from leaving the facility unauthorized via an unknown exit/egress door, crossing a busy intersection, getting lost on a pace bus traveling approximately twelve miles to 95th and the [NAME] which is a high-traffic, multi-lane intersection with significant vehicle volume that includes access points to a major expressway (The [NAME] Expressway (I-90/I-94) is a 11.47-mile, 8-to-16 lane, heavily traveled artery in Chicago, carrying over 300,000 vehicles daily from downtown to the South Side) for 1 of 3 residents reviewed for elopement in a total sample size of six. The Immediate Jeopardy began on 03/20/2026 when R1 left the building without staff acknowledge. R1 traveling approximately twelve miles to 95th and the [NAME] which is a high-traffic, multi-lane intersection with significant vehicle volume that includes access points to a major expressway. V1(Administrator) and V2 (Director of Nursing) were notified of the Immediate Jeopardy on 03/26/26 at 1:38PM. The surveyor confirmed by observation, interview and record review that the Immediate Jeopardy was removed on 04/03/26, but noncompliance remains at Level Two because additional time is needed to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of the interventions implemented. Findings Include: R1 was admitted with the diagnosis of unspecified Mild Dementia with other behavioral disturbance, bipolar disorder, current episode manic severe with psychotic features. Minimal Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] documents: Brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of twelve which indicate moderate cognitive impairment. Section GG (functional abilities): R1 requires supervision or touching assistance (helper provides verbal cues and/or touching/steadying and/or contact guard assistance as resident completes activity) Assistance may be provided throughout the activity or intermittently) with walking ten (10) feet- once standing, the ability to walk at least ten feet in a room, corridor, or similar space. Walk fifty (50) feet with two turns and walk one-hundred fifty (150) feet. Nurse Practitioner note dated 2/11/26 documents: Cognitive: Alert and Oriented time two (2), mild deficits in short and long-term memory, mildly impaired attention, mildly impaired concentration. R1's community survival skills evaluation dated 2/13/26 documents: The resident is able to move/negotiate safety on community streets (crosses safely maintain a safe distance around cars uses sidewalk, if in wheelchair propels safely/carefully, etc. No; The resident knows the facility address, location and how to contact the facility in an emergency. No; The resident appears able to refrain from self-harm and/or socially inappropriate behavior while in the community (including abstaining from alcohol and illicit drugs, avoiding person who constitute a bad influence and is able to practice harm reduction strategies. No; The resident knows how to ask for/seek help in help in an emergent or problematic situation. No; The resident has knowledge of potentially dangerous situations, such as walking alone after dark, straying into an alley, accepting rides from strangers, carrying valuables where they are seen. No; The residents appear to be capable of unsupervised outside pass privileges at this time. No; Comments: No community pass. Nurse Practitioner note dated 2/26/26 documents: Late entry: Neuro - Alert plus orientation times two -three (A+O x 2-3.) Forgetful. Facility Elopement Risk undated documents: R1's name. R1's elopement evaluation dated 2/26/26 documents: Category: High Risk. The resident has demonstrated or present with: Hanging around facility exits and/or stairways or wanders between floors. Yes. The physical ability to leave the building. Yes. Becoming easily agitated, confused and/or disoriented or shows poor judgement (i.e., would not be able to safely care for him/herself outside of the facility). Yes. Engaging in theme behavior (i.e., belief that he/she has specific responsibilities in another setting, such as going to work, returning home to care for children, driving to church, preparing dinner). Yes. Observing environmental cues (i.e., seeing staff prepare to (continued on next page)</p>		

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Writer called CNA assigned to resident to inquire about resident, CNA verbalized that resident packed her things and told her she was leaving the facility, resident left facility against medical advice/AMA. On 3/24/26 at 1:23PM, V13 (R1's family) said, R1 called him at 'ish' (7:00PM). R1 reported she did not know where she was, but she was trying to get to V13. V13 said he instructed R1 to go back to the facility at which time R1 became upset and disconnected their call. V13 said R1 was calling his daughter, and he was trying to call R1 back. V13 said he tried to call R1 back for three (3) hours with no response. V13 said around 10:15PM - 10:30PM, he received a call from a bus driver off R1's phone who reported R1 was at 95Th and the [NAME]. V13 said he did not recall the bus driver's name. V13 said he instructed the bus driver to put R1 on the 352 and tell that bus driver not to let R1 off the 352 bus until R1 made it to downtown [NAME] where he would pick R1 up. V13 said it was 11:00pm when R1 reached [NAME]. V13 said he did not receive a call from the facility until midnight when the police called about R1 leaving the facility. V13 said he asked R1 how she got to 95th street to which R1 replied she walked until she found a ride and the bus did not charge her any money. V13 said R1 was not alert enough to be outside at night walking and catching a bus. V13 said R1 has memory issues. R1 will take what she sees on television and applies it to her life. V13 said R1 has reported she works for the CIA. V13 said he does not know how R1 walked out the facility unnoticed. R1 was not available for a phone interview. On 3/24/26 at 1:53PM, during a tour with V14 (maintenance) the double door down from the dialysis unit were able to be pushed open with no alarm/delay. A keypad was observed on both sides of the door located on the wall. V14 said the facility just recently installed a new code for the door down from the dialysis unit. Once through those doors there was another set of double doors to the left near the time clock that also opened when pushed without an alarm/delay that led directly outside to the alley behind the facility. On 3/24/26 at 2:25PM, V4 (social service) said R1 would pack her bags once a week to leave. V4 said R1 liked fresh air. V4 said when she worked and R1 packed her bags, she would take R1 outside for some fresh air. V4 said R1 left on Friday 3/20/26. R1 had a diagnosis of Dementia. R1 was an elopement risk because she had exit seeking behaviors. On 3/24/26 at 4:09PM, V11 said the last time she worked with R1. R1 was trying to leave the facility. On 3/25/26 at 8:57AM, V3 (DON) said she could not determine which door R1 exited the building. On 3/25/26 at 3:56pm, V12 (nurse) said R1's unit was locked and required a code to get off the unit. V12 said he does not know how R1 got off her unit. V12 said once off R1's unit, the respiratory unit has an exit door. V12 said, R1 could have exited through the double doors near dialysis unit and then out of the next set of double doors by the time clock that lead directly to the alley behind the facility. V12 said the doors down by the dialysis unit and the double doors by the time clock did not require a code to open and did not have an audible alarm that was activated once opened. Those doors are left unarmed/opened for staff to enter and leave the building when getting off or reporting to work. V12 said the only code needed is to enter the building from the alley. On 3/25/26 at 4:44PM, during the tour with V12 (nurse), the exit doors that led from the stive hallway, near the public restroom to the service hallway, was able to be opened without an alarm sounding or delay. Once through those doors, down the service hallway near the time clock was another set of two double doors that could be pushed open with no alarm/delay which exited directly outside to the alley behind the building. V16 (maintenance director) said that doors leading from the facility hallway, near the public restroom to the service hallway were not supposed to open without a delay/alarm. V12 said that exit is for employees only but there are a few family members who are aware if they are in the building after (continued on next page)</p>		

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V38 said the wires are already ran to the respiratory nursing station and he would be putting an audible alarm that will sound when the strive employee exit doors are opened without a code. Invoice #2122 dated 4/3/26 documents: The employee exit only double door are having their alarms tied to the alarm at the nurse's station on the Vent unit. Every time these exit doors are opened without the code an audible alarm will go off at the nursing station. The double door down from the dialysis unit that connect to the service hall will be wired together with the alarms on the vent nursing station. When complete every time either alarm goes off it will also go off at the nursing station to notifying staff. On 4/3/26 at 4:04pm, the employee only exit that leads to the service hall alarm was triggered by staff and heard on the respiratory unit. V16 said, the double doors by the dialysis still has to be connected. Elopement Policy dated 6/2015 document: Elopement occurs when a resident leaves the premises or safe area with authorization (i.e., an order for discharge or leave of absence) and/or any necessary supervision to do so. This does not include alert and orient resident who resident who handle themselves outside the facility and choose to leave the facility, even if against medical advice and sometimes, common sense. The Immediate Jeopardy that began on 03.20.26 was removed on 04.03.26 when the facility took the following actions to remove the immediacy. Affected Resident corrective actions: 03/20/2026 R1 was identified to have eloped from the facility at between the hours of 8pm and 9:30pm. She was received by her family in safe custody. She is no longer residing at the facility. No further corrective action can be taken. Immediate Actions and Actions to Prevent Occurrence/Recurrence. (Initiated on 3/26/2026 at 4:30PM and will continue until all staff are in-serviced and trained prior to the start of their shift) A Resident head count of the whole facility was completed by the DON/clinical managers on 03/26/2026. There was no concern identified, and all residents are accounted for. The facility has instituted an ongoing headcount that is done during shift change as part of the nurse-to-nurse shift reporting. This will include discussion of new or worsening elopement risk resident behaviors that may need additional support. All exit alarms were affirmed to be functional by testing and confirmation of power supply. They were found in proper working conditions by the maintenance director. This was completed by 03/26/2026. All alarms will be tested and verified in proper working fashion weekly thereafter by the maintenance director. Any instance of alarm found to be non-functional will be repaired immediately. If unable to be immediately repaired, the facility will assign a 24/7 monitor of the exit until it can be replaced or repaired. The doorway leading from the 1st floor STRIVE unit to the employee exit was adjusted to sound louder at point of service. An additional remote horn and signage alerting the source was configured to sound by the nearest nursing station on the Ventilator unit that is 24 hours manned. This was completed by a contracted electrician on 04/03/2026. All nurses and CNA's on their assigned units are responsible for monitoring and response to sounding alarms on their unit for all shifts. If an alarm is sounding, staff are required to immediately respond. Any instance of non-compliance of nurses and/ or CNA not responding to a sounding alarm will be provided with further training and human resources will be consulted for progressive disciplinary action if warranted. Residents are to be escorted by facility staff members between secured doorways if wanting to go to another unit of the facility. If a resident is identified as elopement risk and wants to visit another unit, they will be escorted and supervised by a clinical staff member that can include but is not limited to Nurse, CNA, activities, and or Interdisciplinary team until they return to their unit. The current doorway access code leading between Longterm care and the ventilator unit will be changed by the maintenance director, so no (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>residents have code access. All facility doorway codes are changed monthly thereafter. This was completed on 04/03/2026. The access codes will not be shared with the residents. All residents are educated to use assistance and escort if needing access through secured unit doorways. They are not allowed to have access codes. This was completed on 04/03/2026. All staff are educated to escort residents in between secured doorways, and they are not to share passcodes with residents or visitors. This was completed on 04/03/2026. Elopement assessment, BIMS and community survival skills assessment was completed for all residents. The Social Service Department completed the assessments. After the completion of all resident assessment, Nexus at [NAME] has identified 4 residents remaining as risk for elopement. During waking hours, the residents are involved in daily activity routines that have direct supervision. If the resident leaves a supervised activity or prefers to have leisure time outside of structured routines, the outgoing staff will report to clinical staff, social service and/or activities to help supervise their current activity of choice on a 1:1. The social service department completed care plan reviews that include interventions such as frequent monitoring checks, keeping the residents in communal areas that allow for visual supervision during waking hours, redirecting residents to activities of choice. Other interventions, include staff members are to report any themed activity or suspicious behavior to supervisors for support. This was completed on 03/26/2026. Any resident who was identified as an elopement risk have care plans developed with interventions addressing their behavior. This was reviewed and completed by the social service department 03/26/2026. The elopement binders were reviewed and updated. The elopement binders were placed by all nursing stations, front desks, and department head offices. The elopement binders include Face pictures, name, location, Facesheet information and pertinent information regarding elopement risk behavior for staff to observe for and report to supervisors and clinical coordinators for support and management. If an elopement risk resident is displaying elopement risk behaviors. 1st available direct staff will stay with the resident until managerial support is provided, and the resident is redirected to their normal baseline. Daily, the DON, clinical managers, and members of the IDT will hold clinical meetings and discuss new or worsening wandering/ exit-seeking behaviors. Any new and/or worsening behaviors will be addressed by ensuring that appropriate clinical interventions are implemented to prevent an incident of elopement. The MOD (manager on duty)/charge nurse, DON will also conduct weekend clinical meetings to review new or worsening exit seeking/wandering behaviors and ensure interventions are in place to prevent elopement. The elopement binders is not a new system, but it will be updated when a resident is newly identified as a high-risk elopement. The Administrator provided training to the Social Service Department regarding development of care plans to address residents who are identified as an elopement risk. The training was completed on 03/26/2026. The DON/Administrator/Social Services Director provided education to all staff that were in the facility on 03/26/2026. The education items include but not limited to: Code yellow proceduresUse of the elopement bindersExit-seeking behaviors and interventionsElopement risk interventionsResponding to alarms Resident safety and supervisionReporting to the Administrator/Maintenance Director any concerns related to alarms. The training was completed on 03/26/2026. Any staff who were not in the facility, on vacation, or on leave of absence will have training completed at the start of their shift upon return to work. To measure knowledge retention, post tests will also be started on 03/27/2026. The Administrator/Director of Nursing/Social Services Director will conduct posttests of five (5) random staff per week for four (4) weeks to evaluate knowledge retention starting on 03/27/26. The acceptable score of the post-test is 100%. Any staff who will not meet the acceptable score will receive additional training. The Administrator/Director of Nursing/Social Services Director will provide the staff with training on specific areas based on the results of the post tests. The facility will conduct the same training quarterly for four (4) quarters, and then annually thereafter. The training will also be included in the orientation of new employees. The facility currently uses agency, the DON/Social Services Director/Administrator, will provide the same training to the agency staff at the start of their first shifts. Ad-Hoc QAPI meeting was (continued on next page)</p>		

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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Nexus at Palos		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 10426 South Roberts Palos Hills, IL 60465	
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