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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** 46334</p> <p>Based on observation, interviews, and record review, the facility failed to follow its Code Yellow (elopement) Policy regarding monitoring residents identified as at risk for elopement. This failure resulted in R1 eloping from the facility and being off grounds for an unknown amount of time before a search was started, and a Code Yellow was called. All 15 residents being monitored for risk of elopement can be affected by this failure.</p> <p>The Immediate Jeopardy began on 10/23/2024 when R1 eloped from the facility, and the door alarm was canceled by the staff without initiating the code yellow protocol. V1 (Administrator) and V2 (Director of Operations) were notified on 12/02/2024 at 3:45 PM of the Immediate Jeopardy. The surveyor confirmed by observation, interview, and record review that the Immediate Jeopardy was removed on 12/03/24, but noncompliance remains at Level Two because additional time is needed to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of the in-service training.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>R1 is a [AGE] year old female admitted to the facility on [DATE]. Diagnosis includes: chronic multifocal osteomyelitis, multiple sites; mild cognitive impairment of uncertain or unknown etiology; gangrene, not elsewhere classified; adult failure to thrive; tachycardia, unspecified; hypotension, unspecified; hypothermia, not associated with low environmental temperature; osteomyelitis,unspecified; schizophrenia, unspecified; hypocalcemia; anemia, unspecified; unspecified severe protein-calorie malnutrition; unvaccinated for covid-19; personal history of covid-19; and patient'snoncompliance with other medical treatment and regimen for other reason.</p> <p>R1's MDS Section C Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score is 15 (intact cognition). R1's BIMS on 11/07/2024 is 99 (interview incomplete as R1 chose not to interview).</p> <p>R1's care plan states R1 is a DNR (Do Not Resuscitate) and has poor decision-making skills and poor judgment. She has been homeless for the past 2 years and was found to be unable to care for herself. She has a court appointed guardian that is in contact with R1 and facility.</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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> | <p>The facility sits in the parking lot of an outdoor mall, and is bordered on three sides by retail outlets and the main entrance faces a major expressway (which has a chain link fence barrier and road shoulder and landscaping before the expressway) making it inaccessible to anyone not physically fit to scale the fence and access the expressway. The facility is corralled on three sides by a privacy fence, so anyone leaving from the B doorway would be forced to walk around the fence in front of an external security camera before being able to make it to the bus stops on a busy street (which is about a 5-10 minute walk for an otherwise healthy person).</p> <p>The facility exit doors all have alarm monitors on them, and are all near a nursing station. There is a keypad on the wall next to the door to deactivate the alarm, or for the staff to disable the alarm prior to exiting and entering the door without setting off the alarm.</p> <p>Each nursing station and Reception desk was verified to have an elopement/Code yellow book in the nursing station. In addition to the protocol, there was a list of elopement risk residents that were posted in each nursing station. During the time of observation, the B nursing station was not occupied. Also, line-of-sight to the doors is not always available, so the alarm is the primary warning system.</p> <p>The door alarm did sound (when activated by staff activity) during survey, and was only audible within a few feet of the door. Many staff also reported they could not hear the door alarms from other areas of the building when they are not nearby.</p> <p>Record review and interviews revealed the Receptionist is the primary person to monitor the security cameras for the facility. The receptionist also controls the main door for visitors and answers phone calls. The monitoring of the alarm and camera is just one of the responsibilities of the Receptionist, and the desk is monitored by different people on a part-time basis during the week.</p> <p>On 11/29/24 at 12:40PM, V8, Wound Care Nurse, stated when R1 was first admitted to the facility, she had gangrene to her toes related to frostbite, and was in a lot of pain. R1's wounds were debrided and eventually she was able to move fast without pain, but she still received daily wound care. V8 stated R1 did not want to go to orthopedic appointments, and she was also recommended for surgery. R1 did have the necrotic skin removed, and she always slept in a chair. R1 would also wear the shoes of her choice instead of surgical shoes. R1 would also refuse treatment from time to time; this was reported to the guardian for R1 and R1's physician. R1 was seen by the Wound Care Nurse on the morning before she left. V8 could not remember the exact time he saw her on that day.</p> <p>On 11/30/2024 at 2:00PM, V15, Restorative aide, stated V15 was downstairs on the day R1 eloped and she was exercising downstairs with a group of residents. When she came upstairs to assist with lunch with the other residents, that is when V15 found out about the Code Yellow. She did not hear the alarm because of the television that was playing in her group. V15 stated she saw R1 earlier in the day before breakfast, and confirmed her (electronic monitoring) device was working, V15 stated when she is with a group, she cannot leave the group that she is working with to respond to the door alarms. V15 stated leaving her group could compromise the safety of the group. V15 verbalized she was able to join the group in the parking lot later and searched the retail stores for R1.</p> <p>(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>When the door alarm sounds, staff members shall immediately respond to determine the cause of the alarm;</p> <p>A) The staff member responding to the alarm shall check the outside/vicinity of the area to determine if a resident has exited the building.</p> <p>B) If upon investigation no reason can be found for the sounding of the alarm the Administrator/DON/designee must be notified.</p> <p>C) A head count will be completed on all units and completed accounting of all residents given to the administrator/DON</p> <p>The Immediate Jeopardy that began on 11/23/24, was removed on 12/03/24, when the facility took the following actions to remove the immediacy:</p> <p>1.) Facility staff immediately called a Code Yellow on 11/23/24 at 1:00PM, when facility determined that resident was missing. Staff conducted a search inside the facility including outside of facility premises.</p> <p>2.) A Police Report was immediately filed for a missing resident, R1, on 11/23/24 at 1:15PM to Officer (name, badge#) of the (city) Police Department.</p> <p>3.) On 11/23/24, the CNA who responded to the alarm door was immediately educated not to turn off the alarm until a visual check/search is completed. This training was conducted by the Asst. Administrator.</p> <p>11/23/24 at 3:15PM.</p> <p>4.) The Receptionist assigned was educated on 11/23/24 to make sure to look at the monitor to make sure no resident had exited, and not to turn off the alarm until a visual check/search is completed. On 11/23/24 at 3:00PM Training was conducted by Assistant Administrator. The in-service included proper Alarm Response and utilization of the zone panel & camera system. Discussed appropriate times to call Code Yellow and to not cancel the alarm until given the 'all clear' following a head count. Emphasized the scope of receptionist responsibilities as the 'security station' of the facility.</p> <p>5.) All employees were in serviced to ensure an immediate response to an exit door alarm is done, educated not to turn off the alarm until a visual check/search is completed. A head count is also to be completed to ensure that all residents are accounted for. If a resident is noted missing, staff to follow the facility protocol on missing residents. This was initiated on 11/23/24 and completed on 11/26/24. This in service will also be provided for every newly hired staff moving forward. 11/23/24 at 4:30PM. The training was initially conducted by Social Services and Assistant Administrator on 11/23/24 for those present. The training continued both in person and over the phone for the remaining employees over the next 3 days and was conducted by Food Services Director, CNA Supervisor, Social Services, Assistant Administrator, and Administrator. HR Manager printed out a complete facility roster which was cross-referenced to ensure all employees were educated.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p> | | |

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