

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 146138	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/06/2024
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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** 38396</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review the facility failed to ensure the memory care unit exit doors and bracelet alarms were loud and widespread enough to alert staff when activated. The facility failed to identify and investigate incidents of elopement, revise a care plan, and implement interventions for a resident who eloped from the facility. The facility failed to follow facility elopement policies and failed to provide adequate supervision for one of three residents (R1) reviewed for elopement in the sample of three. These failures resulted in a cognitively impaired resident (R1) who resides in the facility's locked memory care unit, exiting the facility without staff knowledge and being found soaking wet, laying on the parking lot pavement with facial and head trauma accompanied with excessive bleeding, approximately 50 to 70 feet from the exit doors. R1 was found at approximately 5:45pm and the weather was pouring down rain and cool. R1 was transferred to the local emergency room and later transferred to a tertiary (higher level) hospital where he was admitted to an intensive care unit for treatment of facial and cervical spine fractures.</p> <p>These failures resulted in an Immediate Jeopardy.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>The Immediate Jeopardy began on 5/10/24 when R1 left the building unsupervised. V1 (Administrator) was notified of the Immediate Jeopardy on 6/4/24 at 9:20 AM. On 6/5/24 the state surveying agency accepted a plan of correction submitted in regard to Elopement management. While the immediacy was removed on 6/5/24, the facility remains out of compliance at a severity Level II as additional time is needed to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of their removal plan and quality assurance program.</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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