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| STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION                  | (X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:<br><br>155206 | (X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION<br>A. Building<br>B. Wing                                  | (X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED<br><br>05/24/2024 |
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| <p>F 0602</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> | <p>Protect each resident from the wrongful use of the resident's belongings or money.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 38767</b></p> <p>Based on interview, and record review, the facility failed to ensure residents' narcotic medications were protected from diversion resulting in at least 56 missing narcotic medication tablets, from 4 of 4 medication carts and 1 of 1 automated drug unit (ADU - an electronic drug dispensary machine) reviewed for misappropriation of medications (Residents C and D). The deficient practice was corrected on 2/16/24, prior to the start of the survey, and was therefore past noncompliance.</p> <p>Finding includes:</p> <p>An Indiana State Department of Health Survey Report System report, dated 2/1/24, indicated the Director of Nursing (DON) observed Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) 14 had pulled multiple controlled substance medications from an [NAME], the controlled substances pulled did not reflect the medications that were documented as having been administered.</p> <p>1. On 5/23/24 at 10:56 a.m., Resident C was observed sitting in a wheelchair (wc) in her room. She was alert and talkative, but there were signs of confusion as she talked about caring for her stuffed cats in the room as if they were real. The resident asked visitors in her room to sit close beside her as she could not see well.</p> <p>Resident C's record was reviewed on 5/24/23 at 10:56 a.m. Diagnoses on Resident C's profile included, but were not limited to, dementia with psychotic disturbance (may include symptoms of deficits in thinking and problem-solving, hallucinations, and paranoia), delusional disorders, and category 5 blindness of the right eye (severe blindness without light perception).</p> <p>A physician's order, dated 11/6/23, indicated to administer hydrocodone - acetaminophen 5-325 (Norco- an opioid pain medication) mg(milligrams) 1 tablet by mouth three times a day for pain.</p> <p>ADU reports indicated,</p> <p>a. On 1/24/24 at 9:00 p.m., Hydrocodone 5-325 mg 6 tablets dispensed for prn (as needed) use by LPN 14.</p> <p>b. On 1/26/24 at 6:30 p.m., Hydrocodone 5-325 mg 6 tablets dispensed for prn use by LPN 14.</p> <p>c. On 1/27/24 at 12:49 p.m., Hydrocodone 5-325 mg 6 tablets dispensed for prn use by LPN 14.</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 0602</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>                     | <p>A Controlled Substance Accountability Sheet for Hydrocodone 5-325 mg, indicated on 1/24/24 at 2:00 p.m. three tablets were dispensed, on 1/25/24 at 2:00 p.m. three tablets were dispensed, on 1/26/24 at 9:00 p.m. three tablets were dispensed, and on 1/27/24 at 12:25 p.m. three tablets were dispensed.</p> <p>A Medication Administration Record (MAR) for Resident C, dated January 2024, indicated the resident was administered Hydrocodone 5-325 mg three times a day as ordered, and her pain level was routinely documented as 0 for no pain. The MAR lacked documentation that the resident was administered Hydrocodone 5-325 mg prn for pain.</p> <p>Quarterly and state optional Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessments completed on 11/24/23, indicated Resident C had the ability to make herself understood and to understand others. A BIMS score of 10/15 indicated moderately impaired cognition. The resident received routine pain medication daily. The resident had frequent pain in the past 5 days, which occasionally made it hard to sleep at night and occasionally limited her day-to-day activities. The resident rated her pain a 5/10 rate for her worst pain over the last 5 days on a zero to ten scale, with zero being no pain and ten as the worst pain she could imagine.</p> <p>A care plan for Resident C, dated 12/1/22, indicated the resident was at risk for pain related to cholecystitis, brain tumor, congestive heart failure (CHF), coronary heart disease (CAD) and rheumatoid arthritis (RA). The goal was for the resident to not have an interruption in daily activities related to pain. Interventions included administering medications as per order, attempting non-medication interventions i.e.: repositioning, distraction, hot/cold packs, monitoring for complaints of pain, and monitoring for non-verbal signs and symptoms of pain i.e.: crying, increased restlessness, moaning, groaning, guarding of her extremities.</p> <p>2. On 5/24/25 at 12:00 p.m., Resident D was observed lying in bed watching television (TV) with a stuffed dog lying across her lap. RN 12 indicated, the resident was non-verbal, but could activate her call light for assistance by touching the little box that was on top the stuffed dog on her lap. The resident acknowledged what she wanted by slightly moving her fingers to indicate yes when asked questions.</p> <p>Resident D's record was reviewed on 5/24/24 at 10:31 a.m. Diagnoses on Resident D's profile included, but were not limited to, Huntington's disease (condition in which nerve cells in the brain break down over time resulting in progressive movement, thinking [cognitive], and psychiatric symptoms), and quadriplegia (paralysis that affects all four limbs plus the torso).</p> <p>A physician's order, dated 12/26/23, indicated to administer Hydrocodone-acetaminophen 5-325 mg, 1 tablet via gastrostomy tube (g-tube) every 4 hours as needed (prn) for pain.</p> <p>A physician's order, dated 1/2/24, indicated to administer Hydrocodone-acetaminophen 5-325 mg, 1 tablet via g-tube two times a day for pain.</p> <p>ADU reports indicated,</p> <p>a. On 1/24/24 at 6:58 p.m., Hydrocodone 5-325 mg 6 tablets dispensed for prn use by LPN 14.</p> <p>b. On 1/26/24 at 9:50 p.m., Hydrocodone 5-325 mg 6 tablets dispensed for prn use by LPN 14.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p> |   |  |

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| <p>F 0602</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>                     | <p>On 5/24/24 at 1:45 p.m., the DON provided a Prohibition of Mistreatment, Neglect, Exploitation, and Abuse of Residents and Misappropriation of Resident Property policy, undated, and indicated the policy was the one currently being used by the facility. The policy indicated, .Definition of [Misappropriation of Resident Property] -The taking, secretion, misapplication, deprivation, transfer, or attempted transfer to any person not entitled to receive any property, real or personal, or anything of value belonging to or under the legal control of a resident without the effective consent of the resident or other appropriate legal authority .By signing below, I acknowledge that I have been made aware of and agree to abide by the above-explained policy. I further understand that my failure to abide by this prohibitive policy by taking part in and or failed to immediately report such activity to the administrator of the facility subjects me to immediate termination and/or criminal liability.</p> <p>On 5/24/24 at 1:45 p.m., the DON provided a Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation policy, dated November 2023, and indicated the policy was the one currently being used by the facility. The policy indicated, .Automated drug dispensing systems .Some automated systems have individual drawers for patients and others individual drawers for medications, like a mini pharmacy. These systems are more secure and allow restricted access .Also, these systems help to monitor for diversion as they can pinpoint records for individuals patients and individual caregivers. If for example, one nurse gives many more narcotics than other nurses, this information is easily tracked .Disposal .When controlled substances must be disposed of, the disposal should be witnessed by two RN's and the disposal documented with both healthcare providers signing</p> <p>This citation relates to Complaint IN00427538.</p> <p>3.1-28(a)</p> |   |  |