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F 0805 Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety Residents Affected - Few	Ensure each resident receives and the facility provides food prepared in a form designed to meet individual needs. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** The facility reported a census of 29 residents, with three residents sampled and one resident reviewed for food served in a form that met the resident's individual needs. Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to provide Resident (R) 1 with the physician-ordered diet of mechanical soft food (a modified diet that consists of soft, easy-to-chew foods that require minimal chewing) on 02/08/26, when staff served R1 a whole chicken strip instead of ground meat per her orders. R1 consumed the chicken strip and began to choke. Staff performed the Heimlich maneuver (abdominal thrusts - a technique used to clear a blocked airway in conscious individuals) on R1 to dislodge the food. This deficient practice placed R1 in Immediate Jeopardy.Findings Included:- Review of the Electronic Medical Record (EMR) documented R1 had diagnoses of dysphagia (swallowing difficulty), oropharyngeal phase dysphagia (difficulty initiating a swallow, transferring food from the mouth to the throat, and into the esophagus), and Alzheimer's disease (progressive mental deterioration characterized by confusion and memory failure).R1's Significant Change Minimum Data Set (MDS), dated [DATE], documented R1 had a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of four, which indicated severe cognitive impairment. R1 required set-up or clean-up assistance for eating and required substantial to maximum staff assistance for oral hygiene. The assessment also documented R1 would cough or choke during meals or when swallowing medications and documented that she had a mechanically altered diet that required a change in the texture of the food.The Nutritional Status Care Area Assessment (CAA), dated 02/05/26, documented R1 was on a mechanically altered diet.The Cognitive Loss/Dementia CAA, dated 02/05/26, documented R1 had a BIMS score of four.R1's Care Plan, dated 02/04/25, directed staff to provide R1 with meals as ordered by her physician. An intervention dated 05/14/25 instructed staff to cut up R1's food and remind her to only take one bite at a time.R1's Care Plan included an intervention, dated 02/02/26, that instructed staff to provide her with a regular diet, mechanical soft texture with ground meat, and regular liquids. Ground meat was to be served with gravy or a sauce (no dry meat), no soft tortilla shells, no salad, no raw onions, no raw vegetables, and tortilla chips were to be crushed or broken. R1's EMR documented an order, dated 06/25/25, for a regular diet, mechanical soft with ground meat texture, regular consistency. The order directions documented for R1 to use hard plastic utensils, ground meat with gravy/sauce (no dry meat), no soft tortilla shells, no salad, no raw onion, to crush or break tortilla chips, and no raw vegetables.The 02/24/25 at 01:50 PM Progress Note documented Administrative Nurse B received an alert that R1 had a possible choking episode in the dining room. Staff observed R1 in her wheelchair, coughing, with blue coloring noted to her lips. Staff encouraged R1 to cough harder, and she was able to cough up a moderate amount of mushy substance. Administrative Nurse C suctioned R1, which resulted in a moderate amount of thick, clear mucus. After suctioning, R1's lips and skin were pink. The resident's physician ordered a chest X-ray.The 02/08/26 at 02:03 PM Nurse's Note documented R1 received a whole chicken strip for lunch, and she choked on a bite of chicken. The nurse was in the hall when staff hollered for the nurse and informed them of what was happening. Staff performed the Heimlich maneuver on R1 and were able to get the chicken piece dislodged and (continued on next page)

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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