

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 225265	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 11/20/2024
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<p>F 0658</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure services provided by the nursing facility meet professional standards of quality.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 44129</p> <p>Based on records reviewed and interviews for one of three sampled residents (Resident #1), who was a functional quadriplegic (complete immobility due to severe disability or frailty from another medical condition without injury to the brain or spinal cord), was essentially non-verbal, unable to participate in his/her care, and was totally dependent on staff to meet all of his/her care needs, the Facility failed to ensure he/she was provided with nursing care and treatment that met professional standards of quality, when on [DATE], after Nurse #1 was notified by Nurse Aide (NA #1) that during care Resident #1 began to slide out of bed and she (NA #1) lowered him/her to the floor, although Nurse #1 said she assessed Resident #1 for the potential for injury prior to moving him/her off the floor, Nurse #1 was unable to say what she did to assess him/her. There were no nursing assessments and no progress note to support Nurse #1 assessed Resident #1 at all. Nurse #1 also never reported the incident to anyone.</p> <p>Over the next several days Resident #1 was noted to have visual signs of discomfort, he/she verbalized being in pain and at one point when moved by staff, he/she yelled out my neck, was noted to have bruising, swelling to his/her neck and his/her head was tilted to one side. On [DATE], Resident #1 was transferred to the Hospital Emergency Department (ED) and was diagnosed with multiple cervical spine fractures, that typically occur as a result of an impact injury, he/she was placed in an Aspen (rigid neck brace, used to support neck by limiting movement) collar, was admitted to Hospice services in the Hospital, and on [DATE], he/she died .</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Standard of Practice Reference: Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.), chapter 112, individuals are given the designation of Registered Nurse and Practical Nurse which includes the responsibility to provide nursing care. Pursuant to the Code of Massachusetts Regulations (CMR) 244, Rules and Regulations 3.02 and 3.04 define the responsibilities and function of a Registered Nurse and Practical Nurse, respectively. The regulations stipulate that both the Registered Nurse and Practical Nurse bear full responsibility for systematically assessing health status and recording the related health data. They also stipulate that both the Registered Nurse and Practical Nurse incorporate into the plan of care and implement prescribed medical regimens. The Rules and Regulations 9.03 define the Standards of Conduct for Nurses where it is stipulated that a nurse licensed by the Board shall engage in the practice of nursing in accordance with accepted standards of practice.</p> <p>Review of the Facility Policy, titled Falls- Clinical Protocol, dated 2017, indicated but was not limited to:</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 0658</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The staff will evaluate, and document falls that occur while the individual is in the facility; for example, when and where they happen, any observations of the events, etc. - Falls should be identified as witnessed or unwitnessed events. - For an individual who has fallen, staff will attempt to define possible causes within 24 hours of the fall. - Falls should be categorized as those that occur while trying to rise from sitting or lying to an upright position, those that occur while upright and attempting to ambulate, and other circumstances such as sliding out of a chair or rolling from a low bed to the floor. - Delayed complications such as late fractures and major bruising may occur hours or several days after a fall. <p>Review of the Facility Policy, titled Accidents and Incidents - Investigating and Reporting, revised [DATE], indicated, but was not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All accidents or incidents involving residents, employees, visitors, vendors, etc., occurring on our premises shall be investigated and reported to the Administrator. - The Nurse Supervisor/Charge Nurse and/or Department Director or Supervisor shall promptly initiate and document investigation of the accident or incident. - The following data, as applicable, shall be included in the Report of Incident/Accident Form: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The date and time accident took place - The nature of injury/illness (e.g., bruise, fall, nausea, etc.). - The circumstances surrounding the accident or incident. - Where the accident or incident took place. - The name(s) of witnesses and their accounts of the accident or incident. - The injured person's account of the accident or incident. - The time the injured person's attending Physician was notified as well as the time the Physician responded and his/her instructions. - The date/time the injured person's family was notified and by whom. - The condition of the injured person, including his/her vital signs. - The disposition of the injured (i.e., transferred to hospital, put to bed .). - Any corrective action taken. <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0658</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>- Computerized Tomography (CT scan, a diagnostic imaging procedure that uses a combination of X-rays and computer technology to produce images of the inside of the body) to be obtained of soft tissue of the neck and CT without contrast C-spine (cervical spine - area of the neck), to evaluate for fracture, abscess or hematoma.</p> <p>- Patient non-verbal, eyes open, bruise to right neck under right ear. Patient cries out in pain with palpation to swollen area and making noises like he/she wants to clear his/her throat. Facility staff reported this is his/her baseline to Emergency Medical Services, family states this is not his/her baseline.</p> <p>- Neurosurgery consulted, patient placed in cervical collar (device that supports the neck and limits its movement) for stability and pain control with Dilaudid (a potent opioid medication to control pain).</p> <p>Review of Resident #1's Hospital Admission History and Physical, dated [DATE], indicated the following:</p> <p>- CT of cervical spine with unstable fractures through T7 vertebral bodies (referring to part of the seventh thoracic vertebra found in the middle of the chest between the seventh and eighth pair of ribs) extending through the lamina, facets, and spinous process. The fracture extends through the lateral masses of the C5, fracture involves all three columns of the spine.</p> <p>-CT of the soft tissue of the neck with nondisplaced transverse fracture of the C5 vertebral body (fracture to part of the C5 vertebra where the broken bone pieces have not moved out of alignment) extending through the posterior elements (the back side of the vertebra which includes the spinous process and lamina which affect the supporting ligaments and bony structures at the back of the spine) with slight kyphosis (forward bend in the spine) at the fracture site but no fragment displacement. Mild paraspinous hemorrhage and edema, no associated mass effect.</p> <p>Review of a National Institutes of Health (NIH) .gov article titled Cervical Spine Fractures Overview, last updated [DATE], indicated fractures of the cervical spine result from abnormal movement or a combination of movements including hyperflexion, hyperextension (injuries that occur when a joint is moved beyond its normal range of motion), rotation (moving from side to side too far), axial loading (applying force directly along the axis of a structure), and lateral bending (caused by excessive sideways bending) of the spinal column, and sub-axial spine (C3-C7) fractures are commonly seen with high impact accidents such as motor vehicle accidents.</p> <p>Further review of the NIH.gov article indicated three-column fractures extending through the anterior vertebral body all the way through to the posterior ligaments are highly unstable, and cervical spine fractures are high-risk injuries with the potential for devastating neurological sequelae.</p> <p>Review of Resident #1's Hospital Hospice Consultation Notes, dated [DATE], indicated the following:</p> <p>- Patient lying in bed pale, resting with eyes closed, and unresponsive to verbal or physical stimulation. Bruising and swelling noted to right side of neck with Aspen collar in place. Respiratory rate 12 breaths per minute with shallow, irregular breathing noted.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0658</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During an interview on [DATE] at 11:10 A.M., (which included a review of her Written Witness Statement, undated), Nurse #2 said on [DATE], she had just finished passing her morning medications, was seated at the nursing station, that Resident #1 was seated in the common area in his/her wheelchair directly across from the Nurse's Station and she heard Resident #1 screaming, which was unusual for him/her. Nurse #2 said she asked a CNA to assist her to transfer Resident #1 back to bed so she could assess him/her. Nurse #2 said she began her assessment of Resident #1 from the legs up and when she got to her upper extremities, Resident #1 yelled, my neck! Nurse #2 said she recognized that this was very unusual behavior for Resident #1 as he/she did not often form coherent words when talking. Nurse #2 said she immediately contacted Unit Manager #1 to update her on the situation and requested Unit Manager #1 contact the Nurse Practitioner (NP). Nurse #2 said given that she had no knowledge of, and there was no documentation of any accidents or trauma involving Resident #1, it was thought that his/her pain was muscular in nature and she administered pain medication to Resident #1 according to the NP's orders.</p> <p>When asked if an incident occurred in which a staff member had to lower a resident to the floor, would that be considered a fall? Nurse #2 said absolutely, it would be considered a fall. Nurse #2 also said for any incident deemed to be a fall, the Nurse is required to complete a Fall Packet which includes checklist to ensure a resident is thoroughly assessed for potential injury(s) and the incident itself, is documented and followed up on by nursing.</p> <p>Nurse #2 reviewed the Fall Packet with the surveyor. The Fall Packet checklist included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess vital signs and initiate Neuros (Neurological Assessments - A neurological exam completed at fixed intervals that evaluates brain and nervous system functioning) if the fall was unwitnessed or the resident hit their head). - Witness statements obtained from everyone on the unit. - In the Electronic Health Record (EHR), document a Pain Assessment, Fall Assessment, and Skin Assessment. - Notify Physician and family, document person and time. - Initiate intervention specific to fall/injury and update Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Care Card (instructions meant for the CNA relative to residents' individual care needs). - Document Nursing Note in EHR - Send screen request to rehab, and for evening and night shift, slide under therapy door. - Complete Risk Management Assessment in EHR - Return to Unit Manager/Supervisor when completed. <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>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** 44129</p> <p>Based on records reviewed and interviews, for one of three sampled residents (Resident #1), who was a functional quadriplegic (complete immobility due to severe disability or frailty from another medical condition without injury to the brain or spinal cord), who was totally dependent on staff to meet all of his/her needs, the facility failed ensure he/she was provided with an adequate level of staff supervision during the provision of care to maintain his/safety to prevent an incident/accident resulting in serious injury.</p> <p>On [DATE], Nurse Aide (NA) #1, prepared Resident #1, who was in bed, for incontinent care. NA #1 raised the bed from the low position, repositioned Resident #1 on his/her right side, and left Resident #1 unattended while she went into the bathroom to fill the wash basin with water. Although Nurse Aide #1 said she was able to monitor Resident #1 while she was in the bathroom, while standing at the sink, the facility determined during their investigation that NA #1 could not visualize him/her. NA #1 said she saw Resident #1 start to slide out of bed, and after Resident #1 was on the floor, NA #1 reported to nursing that she had lowered him/her to the floor. Over the next several days Resident #1 was noted to have visual signs discomfort, he/she verbalized being in pain and at one point when moved by staff, he/she yelled out my neck and was noted to have bruising, swelling to his/her neck and it was tilted off to one side. On [DATE], Resident #1 was transferred to the Hospital Emergency Department (ED) and was diagnosed with multiple cervical spine fractures, that typically occur as a result of an impact injury, like a fall, he/she was placed in an Aspen (rigid neck brace used to support neck by limiting movement) collar, was admitted to Hospice Services at the Hospital, and on [DATE] he/she died .</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>The Facility's Policy, titled Falls-Clinical Protocol, dated 2017 indicated but was not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As part of the initial assessment the physician will help identify individuals with a history of falls and risk factors of subsequent falling - The staff will document risk factors for falling in the resident's record and discuss the resident's fall risk. - Falls should be categorized as those that occur while trying to rise from sitting or lying to an upright position, those that occur while upright and attempting to ambulate, and other circumstances such as sliding out of a chair or rolling from a low bed to the floor. <p>The Facility's Policy, titled Accidents and Incidents - Investigating and Reporting, revised [DATE] indicated but was not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All accidents or incidents involving residents, employees, visitors, vendors, etc., occurring on our premises shall be investigated and reported to the administrator. <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>Review of the Emergency Department Notes, dated [DATE], indicated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patient has pretty significant elevated blood pressure mildly elevated temperature and some tachycardia (heart rate higher than normal), not on antihypertensives (medication used to treat high blood pressure), or any other medications other than occasional Motrin for perceived discomfort. - Computerized Tomography (CT scan, a diagnostic imaging procedure that uses a combination of X-rays and computer technology to produce images of the inside of the body) to be obtained of soft tissue of the neck and CT without contrast C-spine (cervical spine - area of the neck), to evaluate for fracture, abscess or hematoma. - Patient non-verbal, eyes open, bruise to right neck under right ear. Patient cries out in pain with palpation to swollen area and making noises like he/she wants to clear his/her throat. Facility staff report this is baseline to Emergency Medical Services, family states this is not baseline. - Neurosurgery consulted, patient placed in cervical collar (device that supports the neck and limits its movement) for stability and pain control with Dilaudid (a potent opioid medication to control pain). <p>Review of Resident #1's Hospital Admission History and Physical, dated [DATE], indicated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CT of cervical spine with unstable fractures through T7 vertebral bodies (referring to part of the seventh thoracic vertebra found in the middle of the chest between the seventh and eighth pair of ribs) extending through the lamina, facets, and spinous process. The fracture extends through the lateral masses of the C5, fracture involves all three columns of the spine. -CT of the soft tissue of the neck with nondisplaced transverse fracture of the C5 vertebral body (fracture to part of the C5 vertebra where the broken bone pieces have not moved out of alignment) extending through the posterior elements (the back side of the vertebra which includes the spinous process and lamina which affect the supporting ligaments and bony structures at the back of the spine) with slight kyphosis (forward bend in the spine) at the fracture site but no fragment displacement. Mild paraspinal hemorrhage and edema, no associated mass effect. <p>Resident #1 was admitted to the facility in [DATE], diagnoses included Dementia and Functional Quadriplegia (complete immobility due to severe disability or frailty from another medical condition without injury to the brain or spinal cord).</p> <p>Review of Resident #1's most recent Quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) Assessment, dated [DATE], indicated he/she was severely cognitively impaired, had unclear speech, was rarely/never understood, and was totally dependent on staff for all levels of care.</p> <p>Review of Resident #1's ADL Care Plan, reviewed and renewed with his/her [DATE] MDS, indicated he/she was dependent for care and required one to two staff members for toileting/incontinence care needs.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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