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<p>F 0658</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure services provided by the nursing facility meet professional standards of quality.</p> <p>42742</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to follow professional standards of practice for one Resident (#40), out of a total sample of 21 residents. Specifically, the facility failed to administer medications per physician's orders.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of Lippincott Nursing Procedures, Eighth Edition, [Wolters Kluwer], 2019, indicated but was not limited to the following:</p> <p>-To promote a culture of safety and to prevent medication errors, nurses must avoid distractions and interruptions when preparing and administering medications and adhere to the five rights of medication administration: identify the right patient by using at least two specific identifiers; select the right medication; administer the right dose; administer the medication at the right time; and administer the medication by the right route. Recent literature identifies nine rights of medication administration, which in addition to the five rights includes the right documentation, the right action (or appropriate reason for prescribing the medication), the right form, and the right response.</p> <p>Verifying the Medication Order:</p> <p>-Follow a written or typed order, or an order entered into a computer order-entry system.</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled Medication Administration - Oral, dated June 2015, indicated but was not limited to the following:</p> <p>-Verify medication order on Medication Administration Record (MAR). Check against physician order.</p> <p>-Compare the medication label to the resident's/patient's MAR.</p> <p>-Verify that the medication is being administered at the proper time, in the prescribed dose, and by the correct route.</p> <p>Resident #40 was admitted to the facility in November 2021 and had diagnoses including chronic venous insufficiency and chronic embolism and thrombosis of deep veins.</p> <p>Review of current Physician's Orders indicated the following:</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 0679</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>-1/2/25 at 9:18 A.M., 18 residents were seated in the dayroom with no staff members present. Hospice Aide #1 was seated next to one resident. The television was on, but only three residents were facing the television. Two residents were sleeping and 13 residents were awake with nothing to do. The residents were not provided with materials for self-directed activity and were not otherwise engaged in meaningful activity.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/2/25 at 9:23 A.M., Hospice Aide #1 said she comes to the facility four times a week from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. to care for four residents. She said when she is here, she sees no staff engagement with the residents in the dayroom and wishes there were more activities for the residents to do.</p> <p>-1/2/25 at 9:58 A.M., 12 residents were seated in the dayroom with one staff member present who was sitting in a chair along the wall not engaging with the residents. The television was on a music station, but the sound was low and inaudible. One resident had a shape [NAME] toy, and one resident had a tube search puzzle in front of him/her. Ten residents were awake with nothing to do. The residents were not provided with materials for self-directed activity and were not otherwise engaged in meaningful activity.</p> <p>-1/2/25 at 10:10 A.M., 11 Residents were seated in the dayroom with Activity Assistant #1 in the room with a coffee cart. Activity Assistant #1 gave a cup of coffee to one resident, then left the room. Hospice Aide #1 was seated next to one resident. One resident was engaged in manipulating puzzle pieces, five residents were sleeping in their chairs, two residents were looking at the TV (which was showing an exercise program) and three residents were awake with nothing to do. There was no staff interaction, and the residents were not provided with materials for self-directed activity and were not otherwise engaged in meaningful activity.</p> <p>-1/2/25 at 10:34 A.M., 13 residents were seated in the dayroom with no staff member in the room. Hospice Aide #1 was seated next to one resident. Ten of 13 residents were awake with nothing to do and three residents were sleeping. The residents were not provided with materials for self-directed activity and were not otherwise engaged in meaningful activity. The activity calendar posted outside the dayroom indicated Noodle Balloon was supposed to be occurring but was not. At 10:36 A.M., Activity Assistant #1 came into the dayroom and returned to the coffee cart.</p> <p>-1/3/25 at 11:44 A.M., 11 residents were seated in the dayroom with no staff member in the room. One resident was looking at magazines. Ten residents were awake and had nothing to do. The residents were not provided with materials for self-directed activity and were not otherwise engaged in meaningful activity.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 11:45 A.M., Resident #144's family member said she said she comes in as often as she can to visit her loved one. She said she has seen the residents play Bingo before but otherwise has not seen any activities going on. She said there is rarely any activity staff on the unit. The family member said she is not sure if every time she is here, if staff are on a break, they call out sick, or they just don't have anyone to work.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0679</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>-1/6/25 at 10:49 A.M., eight residents were seated in the dayroom with no staff present in the room. The TV was on with one resident watching it. Seven residents were sitting with nothing to do. The residents were not provided with materials for self-directed activity and were not otherwise engaged in meaningful activity. Seated Kickball was supposed to be occurring during this time as noted on the activity calendar but was not.</p> <p>-1/6/25 at 10:52 A.M., the surveyor observed Activity Assistant #1 in the hallway at the opposite end of the B Unit pushing a coffee cart in the hallway.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/6/25 at 10:56 A.M., Activity Assistant #3 said she is the program coordinator for the dementia activity program and tries to have 10 to 12 residents attend the program that otherwise would just sit with nothing to do. She said she can often get residents to participate when they come to the program; they come down daily or a few days a week for small group activities and to eat lunch. She said the program starts at 10:00 A.M. and ends around 1:30 P.M. every day during the week. She said after 1:30 P.M., she has her lunch, then goes upstairs to either the A or B Unit to do activities such as Bingo until 4:00 P.M. The Activity Assistant said no other activity staff do anything like this program upstairs on the B Unit for those that do not participate in the special program. She said they have regularly scheduled activities as noted on the calendar. She said she is aware that there are many periods of time that the residents on the B Unit are in the dayroom with nothing to do. She said there is a closet in the Unit B dayroom that is filled with supplies such as puzzles and sorting items for residents to use. She said the closet has a numerical lock on it, and all staff have the code and can access it at any time. She said the residents should never sit with nothing to do.</p> <p>-1/6/25 at 2:08 P.M., 10 residents were seated in the dayroom, four of which had Bingo cards. Activity Assistant #1 was seated at a table, positioned with her back to two of the four residents with cards as she called out Bingo numbers. There were no other staff in the room to assist in the activity. As she called out Bingo numbers, one resident fanned his/her face with the Bingo card, one resident was staring at the Bingo card, and two residents were not looking at their Bingo cards at all. Activity Assistant #1 did not assist the residents with playing the game or otherwise engage with the residents.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 9:20 A.M., Activity Assistant #1 said when she called Bingo on the B Unit on 1/6/25, she said she did not assist the residents with playing, but took turns playing their cards for them so they could win a prize. She said she did not consider playing a different game or activity that would be more appropriate for the residents' cognitive level so they could participate. She said they have low staff and she can't do it all on her own.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 11:56 A.M., the Director of Nursing (DON) said the Activity Director's last day at the facility was 1/3/25. She said she didn't get very involved with the activity program. She said they hope to hire a new Director soon and plan to work on the activity program.</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</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>43935</p> <p>Based on observation, document review, and interview, the facility failed to ensure it provided an environment free of potential safety hazards for one Resident (#59), out of a total sample of 21 residents. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure medications were administered safely and not left at the Resident's bedside unsecured by the licensed staff.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled Medication Administration - Oral, dated June 2015, indicated but was not limited to the following:</p> <p>PROCEDURE:</p> <p>Identify resident; verify that medication is being administered at the proper time, stay with the resident until he/she has swallowed the medication</p> <p>Resident #59 was admitted to the facility in April 2024 and has diagnoses including: Visual disturbances, mild cognitive loss and dysphagia (difficulty swallowing).</p> <p>Review of the Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) for Resident #59, dated 10/2/24, indicated the Resident suffered from moderate cognitive impairment with a score of 11 out of 15.</p> <p>During an observation with interview on 1/2/25 at 8:01 A.M., the surveyor observed Resident #59 sitting on his/her bed with two small cups on the overbed table. One cup contained two red larger oval gel caps and three small white round pills; the second cup was full to the top measurement line with a light orange liquid. The Resident said he/she does not self-administer and they do not store any medications in their room. The Resident said the cups were their morning medications but he/she was not sure what they were and that the nurses always leave them there for him/her to take while he/she is eating breakfast or prior to their smoking time. The Resident said he/she believed the medications were left so he/she could take them when he/she was ready and because the nurses are busy, they don't have to come back for him/her to take them. When asked to look in the cup and try to identify what the medications were the Resident said they take a pill for sadness and something for their eyes because they cannot see well and some type of liquid but couldn't identify them by name or say what time they were supposed to be taken except in the morning.</p> <p>Review of the medical record indicated but was not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - One self-administration of medication evaluation, dated 4/1/24, and indicated the Resident did not have a desire to self-administer their medications - Current, active physician's orders, dated 1/3/25, failed to indicate an order for Resident #59 to self-administer medications <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>- Progress notes from 11/1/24 through 1/3/25 failed to indicate the Resident expressed a desire to self-administer medications or any steps were taken in the process to identify if it were safe to leave medications at the Resident's bedside.</p> <p>Review of the current care plans for Resident #59 indicated but were not limited to the following:</p> <p>FOCUS: Resident has difficulty seeing because of decreased visual acuity - cataracts (4/1/24)</p> <p>GOAL: Resident will not have an accident related to impaired vision for 90 days (4/1/24)</p> <p>INTERVENTIONS: Announce your presence so resident will not be startled (4/1/24)</p> <p>FOCUS: Resident has a past medical history of dysphagia and malnutrition - placing them at increase risk for difficulty swallowing (4/2/24)</p> <p>INTERVENTIONS: Aspiration precautions; verbally inform resident of location of food/drink items, slow pace (4/2/24)</p> <p>The care plans failed to indicate medications could be left at the bedside safely or the Resident was capable of self-administering.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 8:34 A.M., Nurse #7 reviewed the medication administration record and pill cards and bottles for Resident #59's morning medications with the surveyor. She said the Resident receives two capsules of Preservision AREDS (a multivitamin formulated for eye health) [two red large oval gelscaps], Lexapro (an antidepressant) three small white tablets of 5 milligrams (mg) each to equal the prescribed dose of 15 mg, and 30 milliliters of liquid protein (light orange colored liquid). Nurse #7 confirmed these were the Resident's prescribed morning medications, verifying the surveyor's observation the previous morning of the medications left at the bedside. She said Resident #59 is visually impaired and has some intermittent confusion and cannot self-administer medications, does not have an order to self-administer medications and that medications should not have been left at the bedside for safety reasons. She said the process is for the licensed nurses to ensure that when residents are administered medications that they observe the residents take all of their medications prior to leaving the room and that process was not followed on 1/2/25.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 12:57 P.M., Nurse #8 said medications cannot be left at the bedside unless a resident has an evaluation to determine they can safely self-administer and there is a doctor's order and care plan in place. She said Resident #59 is confused at times and is vision-impaired and would not be capable of safely self-administering their own medications or having their medications left at the bedside because he/she would be likely to forget to take them timely. She said licensed nurses should remain with the Resident while they are taking their medications to ensure the medications are swallowed.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 3:25 P.M., the Director of Nurses was made aware of the surveyor's observations and said the Resident does not want to self-administer medications and wouldn't likely be capable of doing so. The Resident's medications should not have been left at the bedside for the Resident. The process for safe medication administration was not followed.</p>		

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<p>F 0758</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Implement gradual dose reductions(GDR) and non-pharmacological interventions, unless contraindicated, prior to initiating or instead of continuing psychotropic medication; and PRN orders for psychotropic medications are only used when the medication is necessary and PRN use is limited.</p> <p>34145</p> <p>Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to ensure residents receiving psychotropic medications receive gradual dose reductions (GDR) unless clinically contraindicated, in an effort to discontinue these drugs for one Resident (#6), out of a total sample of 21 residents. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure a GDR of the antipsychotic medication Seroquel was attempted, unless documented by the prescriber as clinically contraindicated in the medical record.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled Psychotropic Medication Management, dated April 2015, indicated but was not limited to:</p> <p>-Antipsychotic medications will be prescribed at the lowest possible dosage for the shortest period of time and are subject to gradual dose reduction and re-review.</p> <p>Resident #6 was admitted to the facility in September 2022 and had diagnoses including Alzheimer's disease, major depression, and anxiety.</p> <p>Review of the Minimum Data Set assessment, dated 10/25/24, indicated Resident #6 had severe cognitive impairment as evidenced by a Brief Interview for Mental Status score of 3 out of 15, received antipsychotic medication on a routine basis only, a GDR has not been attempted, and has been documented by a physician as contraindicated on 10/11/24.</p> <p>Review of the Physician's Orders included the following medications:</p> <p>-Quetiapine Fumarate (Seroquel) 25 milligrams (mg) at bedtime, to be taken with 50 mg for total dosing 75 mg (10/27/22)</p> <p>-Quetiapine Fumarate 50 mg at bedtime to be taken with 25 mg for total dosing of 75 mg (10/27/22)</p> <p>Review of September 2024 through January 2025 Medication Administration Records (MAR) indicated Seroquel was administered to Resident #6 as ordered by the physician.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 2:12 P.M., consultant psychiatric Nurse Practitioner (NP) #3 said he sees Resident #6 on a routine basis for evaluation of psychotropic medications. He reviewed the Resident's medical record and said he thought he/she had had a GDR of Seroquel at some point. He reviewed the medical record and said the Resident has been treated with Seroquel since October 2022 with no GDR.</p> <p>Review of physician/NP notes, dated 8/30/24, 9/6/24, 10/4/24, 10/18/24, 11/7/24, 12/9/24, and 12/13/24, failed to indicate the Resident's treatment with Seroquel was evaluated for a GDR and failed to indicate a documented clinical rationale that a GDR of Seroquel was contraindicated, contrary to the 10/25/24 MDS assessment.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0758</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 11:56 A.M., the Director of Nursing (DON) reviewed Resident #6's medical record and said she has spoken to the physician in the past about her failure to document a clinical rationale for not initiating a GDR of psychotropic medication and will address it with her again.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 12:43 P.M., Physician #2 said she spoke with the DON a few minutes ago regarding documentation regarding a periodic evaluation of Seroquel for a potential GDR following surveyor inquiry. She said she had not documented a clinical rationale that a GDR was contraindicated and contacted her scribe in the office and directed her to add an addendum to her 12/10/24 progress note and forward it to the facility.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 2:30 P.M., the DON provided the surveyor with Physician #3's progress note dated 12/10/24. Review of the progress note indicated it was written and signed by Physician #3 on 1/7/25 at 2:28 P.M., following surveyor inquiry, and included a clinical rationale that a GDR of Seroquel was contraindicated.</p>

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<p>F 0761</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure drugs and biologicals used in the facility are labeled in accordance with currently accepted professional principles; and all drugs and biologicals must be stored in locked compartments, separately locked, compartments for controlled drugs.</p> <p>34145</p> <p>Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure all medications used in the facility were safely and securely stored in accordance with currently accepted professional principles. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure unauthorized personnel do not have unsupervised access to medications in one of two medication rooms as required.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled Medication Storage Room/Medication Cart Policy, dated February 2018, indicated but was not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Medications are stored primarily in a locked mobile medication cart which is accessible only to licensed nursing personnel. -Storage for other medications will be limited to a locked medication room. <p>On 1/3/25 at 2:15 P.M., the surveyor observed consultant psychiatric Nurse Practitioner (NP) #3 ask Nurse #2 to unlock the medication room so he could go inside and make a telephone call. Nurse #2 unlocked the medication room, and opened the door. Multiple medications, including emergency kits which contain medications including but not limited to anticoagulants, insulin, antibiotics, and antipsychotic medications, were observed on shelves inside the medication room. NP #3 went inside the medication room alone and closed the door.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 2:16 P.M., Nurse #2 confirmed that she had unlocked the medication room and allowed NP#3 to enter the room alone and remain in the room unaccompanied to make a telephone call. She said it was fine for him to be in the medication room alone. Nurse #9 was seated at the nursing station and said it was acceptable for NP#3 to enter the medication room and remain in there unaccompanied to make a telephone call.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/3/25 at 2:35 P.M., the Administrator said NP #3 should not have been allowed to enter and remain in the medication room alone. He said only nurses have keys and should be the only ones with access to the medication room.</p>		

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure each resident receives and the facility provides food that accommodates resident allergies, intolerances, and preferences, as well as appealing options.</p> <p>42742</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to ensure staff provided food that accommodated the allergies, intolerances, and preferences of one Resident (#85), out of a total sample of 21 residents. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure the Resident was not served gluten (a protein found in some grains including wheat) and onions despite being listed as allergens in the Resident's medical record; and sausage despite preferences listed to not receive.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled Allergies, dated April 2015, indicated but was not limited to the following:</p> <p>Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -To identify and respond to all allergic reactions. <p>Procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Interview resident/family to determine if there are any allergies to food/drugs, or other substances. -Review all clinical documents to determine if there are any allergies. -Record allergies on Physician's Order Sheet and Medication and Treatment Administration Record (MAR and TAR). -Notify the Dietary Department if there are any food allergies. <p>Review of a U.S. Foods Menu Solutions document titled Gluten Restricted Diet, dated November 2019, indicated but was not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Gluten-restricted diets are required for the medical management of celiac disease or gluten sensitivity. Removal of gluten from the meal plan is essential for gastrointestinal (GI) health for individuals with these conditions. -To assure a Gluten Free menu, all products purchased to be used for recipes on this diet must be reviewed for gluten content. <p>Resident #85 was admitted to the facility in August 2024 with diagnoses including irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea (IBS- digestive condition that causes abdominal symptoms including constipation, diarrhea, gas, and bloating).</p> <p>Review of the Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment, dated 11/15/24, indicated that Resident #85 was cognitively intact as evidenced by a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 15 out of 15.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Review of current Physician's Orders indicated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Allergies: Celery, chicken, fish and seafood, gluten, hard cheese, onions, shellfish -Gluten free diet, regular consistency texture, thin (regular) liquids consistency, multiple food allergies and intolerances for diet order, 8/29/24 <p>Review of Resident #85's physician's Progress Note, dated 8/23/24, January 2025 MAR and TAR, and the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Resident Care Card indicated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Allergies: Celery, chicken, fish and seafood, gluten, hard cheese, onions, shellfish <p>Review of the Nutritional Evaluation, dated 11/15/24, indicated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Food Allergies: Shellfish allergy, gluten, onion, celery, lactose, chicken, fish, see list <p>Review of a physician's Progress Note, dated 11/12/24, indicated the following:</p> <p>Diet and Allergy Management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Maintain gluten free diet with regular consistency and thin liquids. Educate nursing and dietary staff to avoid known allergens and prevent cross-contamination in meal preparation. <p>During an interview on 1/2/25 at 9:07 A.M., Resident #85 said he/she had multiple food allergies, and the facility is careless with food choices. The Resident said he/she has spoken to the Dietitian and Ombudsman with limited resolution.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/6/25 at 12:00 P.M., Resident #85 said the lunch tray had just been delivered which consisted of beef stew with gravy, but he/she refused it because there were onions in it, and he/she can't have gluten. The Resident said these foods will wreck his/her GI track and gets very nervous about the food at the facility and is afraid to eat it. The Resident said last night sausage was on the tray which has chicken in it and isn't supposed to have that either. The Resident said if he/she eats food that he/she is allergic to or intolerant of he/she will end up puking and [expletive] my brains out. The Resident said the facility offered gluten free bread, but he/she was not able to distinguish it from other breads so was too nervous to eat it. Resident #85 said the Director of Nursing (DON) and nursing staff are aware of the concern, but nothing has changed so he/she just relies on Cheerios, apple juice, and protein powder that's stored in their room.</p> <p>On 1/6/25 at 12:10 P.M., the surveyor, with CNA #4 and Resident #85 present, observed Resident #85's lunch meal tray and meal ticket stored on the food truck. The lunch tray consisted of beef stew including gravy, potatoes, green beans, and carrots. The Resident said there were onions in it as well showing the surveyor. It was unclear at the time of the observation if the gravy contained gluten.</p> <p>Review of Resident #85's meal ticket indicated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Diet Order: Regular texture, gluten free, thin fluids -Allergies: Celery, chicken, fish and seafood, gluten, hard cheese, onions, shellfish <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0806</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>-Notes: No sausage</p> <p>During an interview on 1/6/25 at 12:22 P.M., with Nurse #1, CNA #5 and CNA #6, Nurse #1 said Resident #85 is allergic to hard cheeses, fish, onions, and is gluten free. She said the Resident gets irritated a lot of times because the kitchen doesn't have anything he/she can eat, just hamburgers and mashed potatoes. CNA #5 and CNA #6 said there aren't many snacks the Resident can have on the unit either. CNA #5 said the kitchen will just put a hamburger on a plate or egg salad with nothing else on the plate and did not feel that was right or presentable to the Resident. Nurse #1 said she did check the Resident's lunch tray this day and didn't see onions on it.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/6/25 at 3:31 P.M., the Food Service Director (FSD) said he used to have gluten free bread for Resident #85, cookies, and snacks but he/she didn't want them, so he stopped ordering them. He said he used the same toaster for the Resident's gluten free bread as other breads but toasted it first and would do a deep clean on the toaster. The FSD reviewed the gravy mix label used for the beef stew with the surveyor and said it contained gluten. The FSD said Resident #85 should not have gotten the beef stew because it had gluten and onions in the mix.</p> <p>On 1/7/25 at 8:15 A.M., the surveyor reviewed the Resident's breakfast meal tray with the Resident and CNA #7. The breakfast tray consisted of scrambled eggs, one hard-boiled egg, and two pieces of sausage. Resident #85 said, I can't have sausage and refused the tray.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 8:20 A.M., the surveyor reviewed the Resident's breakfast tray with Nurse #1. Nurse #1 said she checked the Resident's tray but didn't see the sausages on it. She said it was her responsibility to check the trays to ensure there were no foods on it that shouldn't be. She and CNA #7 said the Resident receives food items on his/her tray he/she shouldn't have every day.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 8:38 A.M., Resident #85 said he/she was intolerant of sausage and if ingested he/she will end up on the commode with diarrhea and would need a puke bucket at the same time.</p> <p>On 1/7/25 at 12:00 P.M., the surveyor reviewed the A-Unit Nourishment Kitchen with the Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) who said the unit had no snacks to offer the Resident that he/she could have other than one frozen Lactaid ice cream in the freezer.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 12:25 P.M., the FSD said when a resident is admitted they inform staff of allergies. He said he speaks with the resident about their allergies as well as their likes and dislikes and does a menu with them. He said he used to do a menu with Resident #85, but he/she didn't want to do it anymore so dietary staff now just focuses on what he/she can have but it's very limited. The FSD said the Resident frequently sends the tray back. The FSD said the Resident should not have received the beef stew or sausages on his/her meal tray.</p> <p>During an interview on 1/7/25 at 12:38 P.M., the DON said nursing reviews allergies with all new admissions, and they get added to the electronic medical record. She said the pharmacy is made aware as well as the kitchen where a meal ticket gets printed out listing the allergies and intolerances. She said Resident #85 should have received the diet as prescribed by the physician.</p>		

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