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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 245183	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/18/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER North Ridge Health and Rehab		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 5430 Boone Avenue North New Hope, MN 55428	
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F 0689 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview, and document review the facility failed to use the correct brand sling for Hoyer (full-body mechanical lift) in accordance with manufacturer's instructions for (R1) who had a fall from a lift and failed to ensure comprehensive assessments for Hoyer sling sizes completed according to manufactures recommendations and failed to ensure the sling size was represented on the care plan for 2 of 2 residents (R1, R2) who required Hoyer lifts for transfers. In addition, the facility failed to ensure comprehensive harness assessments were completed to ensure safe transfers for 3 of 3 residents (R3, R4, R5) who required the sit-to-stand mechanical lift for transfers. Findings include: R1 R1's annual Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE], identified R1 had moderate cognitive impairment and no behaviors or rejection of care. R1 had an impairment to one side of upper and lower extremity and was dependent on staff with wheelchair mobility and transfers. The MDS identified R1 had a diagnosis of hemiplegia (a form of paralysis which affects one side of the body) or hemiparesis (weakness or the inability to move on one side of the body). R1's Nursing: Lift and Transfer Evaluation - V 4 dated 4/9/23, identified R1 required transfer assistance with two staff and a floor lift. However, even though R1's weight was 220 pounds on the assessment, a large sling size with a weight range of 301 to 450 pounds was selected instead of the medium size rated for 101 to 300 lbs. In review of the facility Lift and Transfer Evaluation identified inconsistencies for sling size weight ranges when compared to the manufacturer's directions. The facility Nursing: Lift and Transfer Evaluation - V 5 directed staff to assess resident ability to independently transfer, anticipation to require mechanical or physical assistance, cooperation, ability to follow instructions, number of staff required for transfer, ambulatory status, weight bearing status, trunk strength and neck control, ability to maintain a seated position, and weight. The facility transfer assessment directed staff to choose a sling size based on residents' most recent weight with ranges however, the weight ranges were not consistent with the manufacturer's and the assessment did not include or prompt entry points for measurements to ensure proper fit for safety. -Small 0 pounds to 100 pounds-Medium 101 pounds to 300 pounds-Large 301 pounds to 450 pounds-Extra large 450 pounds to 600 pounds-Bariatric or greater than 500 pounds-Standard Sit to Stand Sling Joerns Healthcare Hoyer Loop Style Sling Color/Size Chart - Standard Size dated 2021, indicated weight range should only be used as a guideline as other factors can affect sizing. The Quickfit and Full Back Hoyer slings were sized as small (red color) from 75 pounds to 150 pounds, medium (yellow color) from 125 pounds to 200 pounds, large (green color) 175 pounds to 350 pounds. Additionally, The Joerns Hoyer Family Brochure dated 2025, identified four measurement areas on a Full Back Sling which included measurement which may represent shoulder-width, shoulders to bottom of backside, shoulders to end of sling, and top of head to shoulders. Three measurement areas on a Quickfit Sling included shoulder width, shoulders to bottom of backside, and shoulders to end of sling. During an interview on 6/17/26 at 11:32 a.m., the director of nursing (DON) reviewed R1's transfer assessment dated [DATE] and verified the inconsistent weight and sling size selection. DON indicated a medium size should have been selected based on the (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.

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R1's care plan, Kardex (an electronic file which gives a brief overview of each resident in accordance with residents' care plans), and point of care tasks did not indicate what size sling to use to transfer R1 at the time of the incident. R1's fall incident report dated 6/10/26 at 6:20 p.m., identified R1's Hoyer sling ripped during a transfer to his bed, and R1 fell to the ground and hit his head. R1 had blood around the occipital area of the head, and the area was cleansed and pressure applied, and bleeding stopped. R1's provider was notified and was sent to the emergency room. R1's Emergency Department Note dated 6/10/26, identified R1 had no acute fractures or dislocations and no intracranial hemorrhage. The note identified there was no laceration to close. R1's progress note dated 6/11/26 at 6:33 a.m., identified R1 returned to the facility around 11:00 p.m. on 6/10/26 with no new orders. R1's Nursing: Lift and Transfer Evaluation - V 5 dated 6/10/26, identified R1 required transfer assistance with two staff and a floor lift. The assessment indicated R1 had a twenty-pound weight loss and would require a different size sling; R1's weight was 200.6 pounds and required a medium sized sling based on a weight scale range of 101 to 300 pounds. R1's point of care task on 6/11/26 identified R1 required a medium sized transferring sling. During interview on 6/17/26 at 11:20 a.m., R1's family member showed surveyor a picture of R1 on his bed with a white colored sling underneath him on 6/10/26 at approximately 3:30 p.m. The white colored sling had a green trim. R1's family member stated she had seen the white-colored sling for a while and staff used different colored slings to transfer R1. During observation and interview on 6/16/26 at 4:15 p.m., the senior administrator presented the sling used (Medline sling) for R1 on 6/10/26. The sling was white colored with a green colored trim and had eight straps/loops. The sling tag identified the sling was a Medline brand, a large sling size, and had a capacity of 700 pounds. The rip in the sling was about half a foot or less into the edge of the sling around where R1's head and back/side would have been, and the rip was about five feet in length. The brand of sling was different than the ones used by the facility, and the senior administrator was not sure where the sling used for R1 came from. The senior administrator stated the management team returned to the facility the evening of 6/10/26 and removed slings which were not slings from the facility, such as the Medline sling used for R1 on 6/10/26. The Medline sling manufacturer's instructions for use dated 12/18/23, directed users to confirm sling compatibility between the connection style of the patient sling and patient lift before use. If other lift cradles were used besides the manufacturer's loop-style 6-point cradle, the user should confirm compatibility between the hoist and the sling. The instructions directed users to refer to the weight capacity of the sling when selecting a size and to use clinical judgment for body shape and patient comfort when selecting between sizes. The instructions directed users to replace slings every six months and never launder a disposable sling. During interview on 6/17/26 at 10:33 a.m., Joerns product support representative (PSR)-A stated the Hoyer lifts the facility used had a six-point spreader bar. PSR-A recommended staff to use the Hoyer brand slings with their lifts, since the slings were specifically designed and tested with their lifts. PSR-A could not guarantee other brands of slings would be compatible with their lifts, because they did not test other brands of slings with their machines. During interview on 6/16/26 at 1:31 p.m., nursing assistant (NA)-F stated she and another staff member transferred R1 on 6/10/26 with a Hoyer sling which was already underneath him. NA-F did not remember what size sling was used and stated she did not see any concerns with the sling before use. NA-F and another staff member attached the sling to the Hoyer lift and lifted up R1 from his wheelchair. Upon removing the wheelchair from underneath him, the sling tore and R1 fell to the floor. NA-F stated all the loops (continued on next page)		

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F 0689 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	ambulate about 500 feet with four wheeled walker with contact guard assistance and breaks. The discharge summary identified R4 required morning and evening assistance and referred R4 to occupational therapy for wheelchair assessment; however, did not specify what level of assistance was required with transfers. During interview on 6/17/26 at 2:22 p.m., PTA reviewed therapy notes and PTA stated R4 was last seen by therapy on 5/5/26 and was unsure what R4's transfer status was. At 3:07 p.m., PTA stated R4 transferred with a sit to stand at the time of therapy in May 2026, and therapy did not change R4's transfer status at the time of R4's May 2026 therapy discharge. R4's Nursing: Lift and Transfer Evaluation - V 5 dated 6/11/26, indicated R4 required one person assist with a sit to stand lift. R4's weight was 230.6 pounds and required a medium sized harness based on a weight scale range of 101 to 300 pounds. During interview on 6/18/26 at 9:57 a.m., RN-D verified they completed R4's transfer assessment dated [DATE]. RN-D stated they completed R4's transfer assessment by checking R4's care plan for transfer device and weight for sit to stand harness size. RN-D stated they did not observe R4 transfer with sit to stand as part of the assessment. R4's ADL self-care performance deficit care plan dated 6/11/26, identified R4 had limited mobility and transferred with a sit to stand lift. The care plan, Kardex, and point of care tasks did not identify a sit to stand harness size. During interview on 6/16/26 at 12:44 p.m., NA-D stated she checked resident care plan and Kardex for resident transfer status. NA-D stated residents had their own Hoyer slings in their rooms, and there was one size sling for the sit to stand machine. NA-D reviewed R4's care plan and Kardex and verified R4's record identified to use a sit to stand lift for transfers and did not identify what size harness to use. During observation and interview on 6/18/26 at 1:39 p.m., a Joerns Hoyer journey 340 sit to stand was observed without a leg strap and a harness gray colored with green lining sitting on top of the lift. NA-D confirmed the sit to stand machine did not have a leg strap. NA-D stated she did not need one to transfer R4, since the leg strap hurt R4's leg. During interview on 6/16/26 at 12:59 p.m., licensed practical nurse (LPN)-A, who was also a unit manager, stated residents' weight determined what harness size to use and harness size was on residents' Kardex. LPN-A stated therapy assessed what transfer device a resident should use, and therapy communicated how a resident should transfer with staff. Residents' care plans and Kardex were updated with therapy's recommendations. LPN-A stated there were different sizes of sit to stand harnesses, but the medium sized sit to stand harness fit most residents. During follow-up interview on 6/17/26 at 11:32 a.m., the DON stated the management team did not review residents who used a sit to stand machine and verified R4's point of care tasks or care plan did not identify what size sit to stand harness staff were to use to transfer R4. The DON stated it was important for staff to know the correct sling/harness sizes for resident safety. During follow-up interview on 6/18/26 at 3:19 p.m., the DON stated residents needed a therapy evaluation to determine safe transfer status if a resident stated a sit to stand machine leg buckle caused discomfort. R5's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE], identified R5 had intact cognition and no behaviors or rejection of care. R5 required assistance with activities of daily living (ADL), such as substantial and/or maximal assistance for transfers and dependent on staff for wheelchair mobility. R5's Weights and Vitals Summary dated 6/18/26, identified R5's weight was 256 pounds on 1/17/26 and 222 pounds on 6/16/26. R5's Nursing: Lift and Transfer Evaluation - V 5 dated 1/19/26, identified R5 required transfers with a floor lift with two staff assistance. The evaluation did not identify R5's weight and identified R5 required a large sized harness based on a range of 301 to 450 pounds. R5's therapy green slip dated 3/23/26, identified R5 required a sit to stand lift for transfers. The therapy communication form did not indicate size of sit to stand harness. R5's physical mobility care plan dated 4/7/26, identified R5 had limited physical mobility related to weakness and required a sit to stand lift for transfers with substantial/maximal assistance. The care plan, Kardex, and point of care tasks did not identify a sit to stand harness size. During an interview on 6/18/26 at 11:26 a.m. with physical therapist (PT) and occupational therapist (OT), they reviewed R5 discharged from physical therapy on 5/29/26 with use of a sit to stand lift. PT stated there were not specific notes related to on		