

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 255110	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 03/06/2025
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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** 47158</p> <p>Based on observation, interviews, record reviews, facility policy reviews, and the facility's investigation, the facility failed to provide adequate supervision to prevent Resident #1, who was identified as a wandering risk, from exiting the facility unnoticed and unsupervised for one (1) of three (3) residents reviewed. Resident #1.</p> <p>The facility failed to provide supervision to prevent an elopement for Resident #1, who was a wandering risk. The resident left the facility unnoticed and unsupervised on 3/4/25 at 5:09 AM and was discovered asleep in the back seat of someone's car at their place of residency which was approximately eight (8) miles from the facility on 3/4/25 at approximately 9:30 AM after the resident rode home with them from their place of employment.</p> <p>During the investigation, the State Agency (SA) identified an Immediate Jeopardy (IJ) and Substandard Quality of Care (SQC) which began on 3/4/25 and existed at 42 CFR: 483.25 (d)(1)(2)- Free of Accidents Hazards/Supervision/Devices (F689) - Scope and Severity J.</p> <p>This situation placed Resident #1 and other residents at risk for wandering and elopement, at risk for serious injury, serious harm, serious impairment, or death.</p> <p>The SA notified the facility's Administrator of the IJ and SQC on 3/5/25 at 2:00 PM and provided the Administrator with the IJ template.</p> <p>Based on the facility's implementation of corrective actions on 3/4/25, the SA determined the IJ and SQC to be Past Non-Compliance (PNC) and the IJ was removed on 3/5/25, prior to the SA's entrance on 3/5/25.</p> <p>Findings Include:</p> <p>A review of the facility's policy Elopements and Wandering Residents revealed This facility ensures that residents who exhibit wandering behavior and/or are at risk for elopement receive adequate supervision to prevent accidents, and receive care in accordance with their person-centered plan of care addressing the unique factors contributing to wandering or elopement risk . Policy Explanation and Compliance Guidelines: 1. The facility is equipped with door locks/alarms to help avoid elopements. 2. Alarms are not a replacement for necessary supervision. Staff are to be vigilant in responding to alarms in a timely manner.</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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Record review of the facility's Incident Description and Reportable Summary revealed that on 3/4/25 at 7:35 AM while delivering breakfast trays Resident #1 was found not to be in his room. A Code W (missing resident) was initiated, and staff began searching for the resident. The local Police Department, Attorney General, Nurse Practitioner, and Resident #1's Responsible Party were notified. Resident #1 exited the facility at 5:09 AM through the front door. Resident #1's shoes were found across the street in a local crisis center parking lot. Review of security footage from the local crisis center revealed Resident #1 in the crisis center parking lot from 5:12 AM until 6:55 AM when he entered an employee's car. The crisis center employee was unaware that the resident was in their car and drove home. The crisis center notified their employee who looked in the car, saw Resident #1 sleeping and notified the local Police Department. The resident was transported to the local hospital by emergency services and returned to the facility on [DATE] at 11:16 AM, with no injuries.</p> <p>Review of the facility camera footage for 3/4/25, with the Administrator present on 3/5/25 at 12:00 PM revealed Resident #1 exited the front door of the facility at 5:09:10 AM on 3/4/25. Further observation of the video footage revealed a staff member, identified as Licensed Practical Nurse #1 (LPN), by the Administrator, walking toward the front door of the building at 5:09:49 looking at her phone. She is seen entering the door code, looking back down at her phone, turning and walking away. This is approximately 39 seconds after Resident #1 exited the building.</p> <p>Telephone interview on 3/5/25 at 12:38 PM with Certified Nursing Assistant #1 (CNA), who was assigned to Resident #1 on the 11 PM to 7 AM shift stated that she had gotten the resident up just before 5:00 AM and assisted him to get dressed and took him to the 200-hall sitting area. She stated that the resident sat down in the recliner. She stated that this is his routine every morning and he usually sits in the recliner until breakfast and will sometimes nap. She stated that was the last time she saw the resident before the end of her shift. She stated that he was not displaying agitation or anxiety, he was not having increased wandering nor was he exit seeking. She stated that the resident does wander around the inside of the facility, but he has never gone into anyone else's room or attempted to exit the building. She stated that the resident was wearing a long sleeve gray shirt, heavy plaid pants and gray shoes. She stated that she starts her rounds in the hall furthest away from the front door so if the alarm was sounding, she would not have been able to hear it.</p> <p>A telephone interview with LPN #1 on 3/5/25 at 1:34 PM, she stated that she last saw Resident #1 around 5:00 AM on 3/4/25, when he walked past the nurse's station while she was preparing medication for another resident. She stated that he usually sits in the recliner in the 200 Hall lounge area until breakfast. She stated that sometimes when the resident is near the front door the alarm would go off, but she initially stated that she did not hear any alarms sounding. Upon further interview with LPN #1 she was notified, by the SA, of the video showing her walk to the front door a few seconds after Resident #1 exited the building and entering a code on the door alarm. When asked about this she stated she guessed the alarm was going off and thought a phlebotomist set it off when she came in. She stated she looked out the door but did not see anyone.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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