

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 255346	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 01/13/2025
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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p>41306</p> <p>Based on observation, interviews, record review, and facility policy review, the facility failed to ensure Resident #1's right to be free from physical abuse from a staff member for one (1) of four (4) sampled residents. Resident #1</p> <p>Resident #1 was physically abused on 12/17/24 when the Campus Police Officer (CPO) #1 hit the resident with his own shoe, pushed the resident to the floor, and attempted to use a taser improperly. (4) nurses observed the abuse and failed to intervene, allowing the abuse to escalate. This resulted in Resident #1 receiving a hematoma.</p> <p>The facility's failure to protect Resident #1 from abuse caused physical harm, including a hematoma requiring an emergency room evaluation. Additionally, the facility's failure to intervene placed other residents at risk for similar abuse.</p> <p>The situation was determined to be an Immediate Jeopardy (IJ) and Substandard Quality of Care (SQC) that began on 12/17/24. The State Agency (SA) notified the Administrator of the IJ and SQC on 1/10/25 at 12:30 PM and provided an IJ Template.</p> <p>Based on the facility's implementation of corrective actions on 12/18/24, the SA determined the IJ and SQC to be Past-Non-Compliance (PNC) and the IJ was removed on 12/19/24 prior to the SA's entrance on 1/9/25.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>A review of the facility policy titled Abuse or Neglect of a Vulnerable Adult or Child, with an effective date of 8/2024, revealed: .Definitions .Abuse - the commission of a willful act, or the willful omission of the performance of a duty, which act or omission contributes, tends to contribute to, or results in the infliction of physical pain, injury, or mental anguish on or to a vulnerable person .Vulnerable person - A person .whose ability to perform normal activities of daily living or to provide for their own care or protection from abuse .is impaired .The term vulnerable person also include all residents or patients, regardless of age, in a care facility .</p> <p>Record review of the Patient Information revealed the facility admitted Resident #1 on 12/10/24 with diagnoses that included Acute Congestive Heart Failure.</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 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A record review of the Admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) with an Assessment Reference Date of 12/16/24 revealed Resident #1 had a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 6, indicating severe cognitive impairment.</p> <p>A record review of the Incident Report for Event 12/17/2024 revealed that Resident #1 was awakened by a Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) to change his brief and soiled clothing. When awakened, the Resident became aggressive with staff. It was reported that he had not slept well in several days and was agitated that someone woke him. The campus police became aggressive with the resident; staff did not intervene, and campus police aggressively handled the resident, causing him to fall and sustain a head injury (large hematoma/knot to right forehead). The campus police attempted to tase residents twice (unsuccessfully). A second officer then responded to the unit to assist, spoke in Spanish with him, and then transferred him to the Emergency Department for an evaluation. The resident returned to the skilled unit in no apparent distress with examination by providers and continued to be negative. The campus police officer was immediately suspended and then terminated.</p> <p>A record review of the Case Report, dated 12/17/24, completed by the Campus Police Officer (CPO) #1, revealed a Narrative text of .At approximately 0400 (4:00 AM) I was contacted by staff member .in reference to an unruly patient .I asked (Proper Name of Resident) several times to put his clothing on and (Proper Name) openly refused. When I attempted to assist (Proper Name) with putting his clothes on he became aggressive and actively resistant. Do (due) to the height difference I used open hand techniques to assist (Proper Name) back in the chair. Due to (Proper name)'s resistance he fell on to the floor and hit his head . he passively resisted for approximately 30 minutes while the staff tried to coax him to get into the wheelchair. (Proper Name) refused to get in the chair after I told him he would be tased and probably fall again. I tased (Proper Name) twice and he still did not comply .</p> <p>A record review of the Employee Coaching/Corrective Action Report, dated 12/19/24, revealed a Summary of Behavior/Incident/Issue indicated .On 12/17/24 (Proper Name of CPO #1) responded to a call .where assistance was requested with a patient who was reported to be combative. It was reported that (Proper Name) used excessive force, physically shoving pt (patient) to fall and hit his head on the floor. Additionally, it was reported that (Proper Name) used her taser during the interaction with the pt .</p> <p>On 1/9/25 at 10:15 AM, during an observation of the recorded surveillance footage from the event that occurred on 12/17/24 revealed that at 3:45 AM, staff entered Resident #1's room. At 4:03 AM, CPO #1 entered the skilled nursing unit. At 4:04 AM, CPO #1 kicked shoes at Resident #1 and shoved the resident, causing them to fall. At 4:36 AM, Officer #1 unholstered a taser and attempted to use it on Resident #1 twice, while staff were present and failed to intervene. At 4:42 AM, Officer #2 arrived and calmed Resident #1. The resident was then transported to the Emergency Department (ED).</p> <p>A record review of the ED visit, with an encounter date of 12/17/24, revealed a History of Present Illness (HPI) of .campus police tazed him twice .</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Develop and implement a complete care plan that meets all the resident's needs, with timetables and actions that can be measured.</p> <p>41306</p> <p>Based on interviews, record review, and facility policy review, the facility failed to implement comprehensive care plan interventions for a resident with behaviors for one (1) of four (4) sampled residents. Resident #1</p> <p>On 12/17/24, when Resident #1 exhibited behaviors, staff failed to implement care plan interventions. Instead, a nurse called the Campus Police Officer (CPO) who physically abused the resident by hitting the resident with their own shoe, pushing the resident to the ground, and attempting to use a taser.</p> <p>The facility's failure to implement the care plan interventions directly resulted in Resident #1, sustaining a hematoma on the head and the need for emergency medical evaluation. Additionally, the facility's failure placed other residents at risk as staff did not follow prescribed actions to manage behaviors and ensure resident safety.</p> <p>The situation was determined to be an Immediate Jeopardy (IJ) that began on 12/17/24. The State Agency (SA) notified the Administrator of the IJ on 1/10/25 at 12:30 PM and provided an IJ Template.</p> <p>Based on the facility's implementation of corrective actions on 12/18/24, the SA determined the IJ to be Past-Non-Compliance (PNC) and the IJ was removed on 12/19/24 prior to the SA's entrance on 1/9/25.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>A review of the facility policy titled SNF (Skilled Nursing Facility) Care Plan Completion, effective date 10/2024, revealed, .Policy .5. The facility will develop a Comprehensive Person-Centered Care Plan for each resident .that includes .b. Services to attain or maintain the resident's highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being .</p> <p>Record review of the Patient Information revealed the facility admitted Resident #1 on 12/10/24 with diagnoses that included Acute Congestive Heart Failure.</p> <p>A record review of the Care Plan revealed Problem: Behaviors: (Proper Name) is slow to respond to questions with a goal of Patient will decrease risk factors of harming themselves or others secondary to their behaviors, with a start date of 12/10/24. A Goal Intervention with a start date of 12/10/24 revealed, Intervene as needed to protect the rights and safety of others; approach in a calm manner; divert attention, remove from situation and take to another location as needed . Another Goal Intervention with a start date of 12/10/24 included interventions details to give one-step directions and allow time to process them before giving more directions decrease sudden or loud noises, ask permission before touching or assisting with dressing task, and if startled, allow to refuse, extra processing time, and return once he has calmed down.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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