

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 255352	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/12/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Comfort Care Nursing Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1100 West Drive Laurel, MS 39440	

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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Immediately tell the resident, the resident's doctor, and a family member of situations (injury/decline/room, etc.) that affect the resident.</p> <p>Based on interview, record review, and facility policy review, the facility failed to notify the physician and the resident's representative of the initiation of psychosocial services for (3) of (3) sampled residents receiving individual psychosocial therapy, Residents #4, #5, and #6, with the potential to affect all 21 residents receiving psychosocial therapy. Specifically, the facility failed to ensure that the physician and resident representative (RR) were informed when 1:1 psychosocial therapy services were initiated by a third-party provider.</p> <p>Findings Included:</p> <p>A review of the facility's Resident Rights Notification of Changes Policy, reviewed date 05/30/2025 revealed, It is the policy of (Proper Name of Facility) to notify the resident; consult with the physician; and notify, consistent with his or her authority, the resident representative of changes as discussed in the policy .</p> <p>On 6/11/25 at 11:00 AM, a phone interview with the complainant revealed that there is a Licensed Certified Social Worker (LCSW) that is not employed by the nursing home facility (3rd Party Provider) who comes to the facility to provide psychosocial therapy to several residents. The complainant stated that LCSW refuses to share the names of the residents she provides services to, which prevents the facility from notifying the residents' Responsible Representatives (RRs) and the physician of new treatments or interventions. The complainant expressed concern that when the physician is not notified, there is no opportunity to review, approve, or coordinate the therapy with the resident's overall medical plan of care. This could result in duplicate or conflicting treatments, overlooked medication considerations, or a missed opportunity to address any underlying conditions. Additionally, the complainant was concerned that failure to notify the RR limits their ability to monitor the resident's care and make informed decisions on their behalf and advocate effectively for the resident's needs, especially if the resident has limited insight.</p> <p>On 6/12/25 at 10:00 AM, in an interview with the facility's Social Services staff member, she confirmed that the LCSW is from the local hospital and enters the facility on Thursdays to provide therapy on residents within the facility. She does not inform the facility's staff, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner (NP), or the physician who she is providing therapy for. Therefore the facility is unable to notify the RR of any new orders or treatments of her services.</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 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>On 6/12/25 at 10:30 AM, in an interview, the LCSW confirmed that she has provided the behavioral services to approximately 21 residents at the facility. She revealed that the residents are self-referrals, and they all have a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 13 or greater. The LCSW stated that she does not provide any information regarding these residents to the nursing staff or the facility, because it is confidential.</p> <p>On 6/12/25 at 10:45 PM, during an interview, Registered Nurse (RN) #1 stated that she was not aware of which residents were receiving psychosocial therapy services from the LCSW in the facility. She confirmed that, as a result, no physician orders had been obtained for the service, and the facility had not notified the residents' RRs of the initiation of therapy. RN #1 acknowledged that the facility has a written policy requiring physician involvement and RR notification prior to any changes in treatment and confirmed that this policy had not been followed for residents receiving psychosocial services from the LCSW.</p> <p>On 6/12/25 at 11:10 AM, during an interview, the Administrator confirmed that the LCSW was providing psychosocial therapy services to residents within the facility. The Administrator stated that all referrals were initiated by the residents themselves. He acknowledged that the facility did not follow its policy requiring RR and physician notification.</p> <p>On 6/12/25 at 1:27 PM, during an interview, the Nurse Practitioner/Psych confirmed that she was not aware that the LCSW evaluated or performed sessions with Resident #4, #5, and #6. She explained there was no referral provided to the facility on which residents the LCSW was providing treatment.</p> <p>On 6/12/25 at 1:45 PM, during an interview with the Physician, he confirmed that he was not aware of and had not issued any referrals for Residents #4, #5, or #6 to receive psychosocial evaluations or treatment.</p> <p>A record review of the facility's statement, dated 6/12/25, and signed by the Administrator revealed, The facility did not have a referral for (Proper Name of LCSW), no care plan, and no notification of resident representative . regarding Resident #4, Resident #5, and Resident #6.</p> <p>A record review of the LCSW resident service list revealed that she had provided psychosocial services to 21 residents, including Resident #4, Resident #5, and Resident #6.</p> <p>A record review of the medical records for Resident #4, Resident #5, and Resident #6 revealed there were no documentation indicating the RRs or they physician's were notified regarding behavioral therapy received by the residents.</p> <p>Resident #4</p> <p>A record review of the admission Record revealed the facility admitted Resident #4 on 4/18/24 with current diagnoses including Fibromyalgia.</p> <p>A record review of the Discharge Minimum Data Set (MDS) with an Assessment Reference Date (ARD) of 3/31/25 revealed Resident #4 had a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 15, which indicated she was cognitively intact. Further review of Section D and Section E indicated there were no behaviors exhibited by the resident and there were no mood symptoms present.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0658</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Ensure services provided by the nursing facility meet professional standards of quality.</p> <p>Based on record review, interview, and facility policy review, the facility failed to ensure services were provided and documented according to professional standards for (3) of (3) sampled residents receiving individual psychosocial therapy, Residents #4, #5, #6, with the potential to affect all 21 residents receiving psychosocial therapy. Specifically, the facility failed to obtain a physician's order for ongoing psychosocial therapy services provided by a third party Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), resulting in services being delivered without appropriate physician oversight.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>A review of the facility policy titled, Physician Orders, reviewed 01/24/2024, revealed, .Scope: Physician's orders that will be obtained, noted, and implemented appropriately .</p> <p>During a phone interview on 6/11/25 at 11:00 AM, the complainant revealed that there are no Physician's Orders for residents who are seen at the facility by a LCSW for behavioral therapy. She explained the LCSW is not employed by the nursing home facility (3rd Party Provider) and she refuses to share the names of the residents to which she provides services.</p> <p>During an interview on 6/12/2025 at 10:00 AM, the facility's Social Services Director confirmed there were no Physician's Orders for behavioral therapy services that are provided to the residents by the visiting LCSW.</p> <p>During an interview on 6/12/2025 at 10:30 AM, the LCSW confirmed she does not provide resident names to the facility due to confidentiality nor provides them with any documentation of her sessions with the residents. She stated she has seen approximately 21 residents in the facility.</p> <p>On 6/12/2025 at 10:45 AM, during an interview with Registered Nurse (RN) #1, she confirmed there are no Physician's Orders for the residents who are seen by the LCSW regarding behavioral services.</p> <p>On 6/12/2025 at 11:30 AM, during an interview with the Assistant Director of Nursing (A-DON), she confirmed that all services provided to residents, including psychosocial therapy, should have a Physician's Order.</p> <p>On 6/12/25 at 1:45 PM, during an interview with the Physician, he confirmed there were no orders or referrals for Resident #4, #5, and #6 and without physician orders, the facility was unable to ensure that services provided by the LCSW were appropriate to the resident's diagnoses or current mental health status.</p> <p>A record review of the facility's statement, dated 6/12/25, and signed by the Administrator revealed, The facility did not have a referral for (Proper Name of LCSW), no care plan, and no notification of resident representative . regarding Resident #4, Resident #5, and Resident #6.</p> <p>A record review of the LCSW resident service list revealed that she had provided psychosocial services to 21 residents, including Resident #4, Resident #5, and Resident #6.</p> <p>A record review of the medical records for Resident #4, Resident #5, and Resident #6 revealed there were no Physician's Orders initiated reflecting behavioral therapy received by the residents.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0742</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Provide the appropriate treatment and services to a resident who displays or is diagnosed with mental disorder or psychosocial adjustment difficulty, or who has a history of trauma and/or post-traumatic stress disorder.</p> <p>Based on record review, interview, and facility policy review, the facility failed to identify, assess, and coordinate behavioral health services for three (3) of three (3) sampled residents receiving individual psychosocial therapy, Residents #4, #5, and #6, with the potential to affect all 21 residents receiving these services. Specifically, the facility allowed a Licensed Certified Social Worker (LCSW) to provide ongoing cognitive behavioral therapy within the facility without physician oversight, formal referral, or interdisciplinary coordination in which she accepted self-referred residents, regardless of whether clinical need had been identified.</p> <p>Findings Included:</p> <p>A review of the facility's policy, Dementia and Behavioral Health Services, reviewed 02/28/2024, revealed, .It is the policy of this facility that all residents receive the appropriate treatment and services for .necessary behavioral health care and services to assist him or her to reach and maintain the highest level of mental and psychosocial functioning .Discussion .6. Specialized services and supports will vary based on the individual's abilities and challenges related to their condition .</p> <p>On 6/11/2025 at 11:00 AM, during a phone interview, the complainant stated that a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), employed by the local hospital's behavioral health program, came to the facility weekly and provided therapy sessions to several residents. The complainant explained that the LCSW refused to disclose the names of the residents she was seeing, which prevented the facility from coordinating care, obtaining physician oversight, or monitoring for changes in residents' psychosocial or behavioral health status. She expressed concern that residents may have been receiving therapy without proper clinical justification or oversight, and that the lack of transparency and interdisciplinary involvement could result in unmet needs, fragmented care, or inappropriate continuation of services for vulnerable residents.</p> <p>On 6/12/2025 at 10:00 AM, during an interview with the Social Services Director, she confirmed that the Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) enters the facility every Thursday to provide therapy services. However, she stated the LCSW does not communicate with facility staff, the Nurse Practitioner (NP), or the physician regarding which residents are receiving services. As a result, the facility is unable to conduct appropriate psychosocial assessments or implement monitoring interventions to evaluate the effectiveness or necessity of the therapy.</p> <p>On 6/12/2025 at 10:30 AM, during an interview with the LCSW, she stated that she had provided therapy services to approximately 21 residents. She explained that all referrals were self-referral by residents who were cognitively intact, with Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) scores of 13 or higher. The LCSW stated that, due to confidentiality, she does not inform facility staff or medical personnel of the residents receiving therapy. She confirmed that the residents independently request services and that she has a pamphlet in the facility's front lobby containing information about her services and contact details.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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