

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  265239	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  03/05/2026
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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>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to protect the resident's right to be free from physical abuse when one staff member (Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) A) yelled at and physically forced one resident (Resident #1), with a diagnosis of dementia, back into his/her room twice while the resident was resisting and trying to exit his/her room. The resident received multiple bruises on their hands and forearms and exited their room visibly upset after the altercation and stating he/she wanted the staff member arrested. The CNA was later arrested and charged with assault. The facility census was 65. The Administrator was notified on 02/26/26, at 12:30 P.M., of an Immediate Jeopardy (IJ) which began on 02/20/26. The IJ was removed on 02/27/26, as confirmed by surveyor on-site verification.</p> <p>Review of the facility's policy titled, Abuse Policy, undated, showed the following:-It is the policy of the facility that each resident will be free from abuse;-Abuse can include verbal, mental, sexual, or physical abuse, misappropriation of resident property and exploitation, corporal punishment or involuntary seclusion;-Additionally, residents will be protected from abuse, neglect, and harm while they are residing at the facility;-No abuse or harm of any type will be tolerated, and residents and staff will be monitored for protection;-An owner, licensee, Administrator, licensed nurse, employee or volunteer of a nursing home shall not physically, mentally or emotionally abuse, mistreat, or neglect a resident.</p> <p>Review of Resident #1's face sheet showed the following:-admission date of 04/01/24;-Diagnoses included vascular dementia (progressive decline in thinking, memory, and behavior, caused by impaired blood flow to the brain) with agitation.</p> <p>Review of the resident's care plan, dated 07/17/25, showed the following:-The resident will not sustain serious injuries due to memory/recall deficit;-Ensure resident's areas are free of hazards;-Redirect resident when entering unsafe areas.-Resided on the special care unit (SCU) for safety.</p> <p>Review of the resident's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS - a federally mandated assessment tool completed by facility staff), dated 12/12/25, showed the following:-Usually understood and usually understands communication;-Severely cognitively impaired;-Exhibited inattention, behavior present, fluctuates (comes and goes, changes in severity);-Exhibited disorganized thinking, behavior present, fluctuates;-No physical, verbal, or other behavioral symptoms directed toward others;-No rejection of care;-No wandering.</p> <p>Review of the resident's progress note dated 02/20/26, at 12:53 P.M., showed the Director of Nursing (DON) documented resident had been up and active in the SCU per usual routine. He/she was observed ambulating around the unit throughout the shift. Resident was seen in the dining room (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 0605</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Review of the resident's February 2026 MAR showed on 02/22/26, at 8:36 P.M., staff documented haloperidol lactate 2.5 mg given IM due to resident being aggressive, continuous standing, cussing, and knocking on wall. Staff noted medication as effective as the resident appeared relaxed and asleep.</p> <p>Review of the resident's nursing note dated 02/23/26, at 12:41 A.M., showed the following:-Resident refused medication, spitting them at staff;-Resident was redirected;-Resident attempted to grab anyone that walked by;-Resident being very aggressive;-Resident placed on one-on-one with staff and Haloperidol prn given to resident for safety;-Staff will continue the current plan of care.</p> <p>Review of the resident's February 2026 POS showed a new order, dated 02/23/26, for Seroquel (an antipsychotic) 25 mg tablet, give one tablet at bedtime for a diagnosis of anxiety disorder.</p> <p>Review of the resident's nursing progress note dated 02/26/26, at 9:00 A.M., showed the following:-The medication regimen reviewed with the physician due to increased fall risk and history of stroke;-Verbal orders received for to discontinue IM Haldol and lorazepam;-Verbal orders received to decrease risperidone from 4 mg to 1 mg twice daily for agitation related to dementia;-Verbal orders to start Haldol 0.5 mg every six hours as needed;-Verbal orders to continue Seroquel 25 mg at bedtime.</p> <p>Review of the resident's February 2026 POS showed the following:-The orders for IM Haldol and lorazepam were discontinued;-A new order, dated 02/26/26, for haloperidol 0.5 mg tablet, give one tablet every six hours as needed for a diagnosis of dementia without behavioral, psychotic, mood disturbance, and anxiety; -A new order, dated 02/26/26, for risperidone 1 mg tablet, give one tablet twice daily for a diagnosis of dementia without behavioral, psychotic, mood disturbance, and anxiety.</p> <p>Review of the resident's February 2026 MAR showed on 02/27/26, at 3:26 A.M., staff documented haloperidol 0.5 mg one tablet prn given with no behaviors indicated.</p> <p>Review of the resident's nurse's note 02/27/26, at 3:26 A.M., showed staff noted the resident spit the medication out.</p> <p>Review of the resident's nursing progress note dated 02/27/26, at 6:57 A.M., showed the following:-The resident continued to argue, hit, spit, and grab at staff and other residents aggressively;-Since crawling in the hallway at 2:00 A.M., the resident had been on one-to-one supervision with staff;-On one-to-one supervision due to attempting to get up and walk;-Attempted to give as needed medication but the resident spit it at the nurse;-Redirection was unsuccessful.</p> <p>Review of the resident's physician note, dated 02/27/26, showed staff should monitor the resident for changes in mental status or behavioral disturbances. Recent medication adjustments were made for agitation and behavioral disturbances.</p> <p>Review of the resident's February MAR showed on 02/28/26, at 2:24 P.M., staff documented haloperidol 0.5 mg one tablet prn was given due to resident yelling out.</p> <p>Review of the resident's nursing progress notes, dated 02/28/26, showed staff did not document behaviors at time of administration.</p> <p>Review of the resident's record for February 2026 showed the facility did not provide documentation (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0609</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Timely report suspected abuse, neglect, or theft and report the results of the investigation to proper authorities.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure all allegations of abuse were reported immediately to facility management and within two hours of staff being aware of the allegation, when staff did not report two allegations of abuse involving two residents (Resident #1 and #2) to administration and the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) in a timely fashion. The facility census was 65. Review of the facility's policy titled, Abuse Policy, undated, showed the following-It is the policy of the facility that each resident will be free from abuse;-Abuse can include verbal, mental, sexual, or physical abuse, misappropriation of resident property and exploitation, corporal punishment or involuntary seclusion;-Any nursing home employee or volunteer who becomes aware of abuse, mistreatment, neglect, exploitation, or misappropriation shall immediately report to the nursing home Administrator;-The nursing home Administrator or designee will report abuse to the state agency per state and federal requirements;-All allegations of abuse, neglect, exploitation, mistreatment, injuries of unknown sources, and misappropriation of resident property by facility employees, contract employees, volunteers, contract services, consultants, physicians, visitors, family members, or other individuals will be reported immediately, but no later than the following timeframes;-If abuse is alleged or the allegation results in serious bodily injury, the allegation must be reported within two hours after the allegation was made;-If the allegation does not allege abuse or result in serious bodily injury, the report must be made within 24 hours after the allegation was made;-The facility will ensure that all reports are made within two hours (abuse or serious bodily injury) or 24 hours (non-abuse);-The 2-hour timeframe must be met even during the night shift or during the weekend.</p> <p>1. Review of Resident #1's face sheet showed the following:-admission date of 04/01/24;-Diagnoses included vascular dementia (a decline in thinking skills caused by conditions that block or reduce blood flow to the brain, depriving brain cells of oxygen) with agitation. Review of the resident's care plan, dated 07/17/25, showed the resident resided on the special care unit (SCU) for safety. Review of the resident's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS - a federally mandated assessment tool completed by facility staff), dated 12/12/25, showed the following:-Usually understood and usually understands communication;-Severely cognitively impaired;-Exhibited inattention, behavior present, fluctuates (comes and goes, changes in severity);-Exhibited disorganized thinking, behavior present, fluctuates;-No physical, verbal, or other behavioral symptoms directed toward others;-No rejection of care;-No wandering. Review of the resident's progress note dated 02/23/26, at 12:59 P.M., showed the Director of Nursing (DON) noted resident had scattered bruising on his/her bilateral (both sides) upper extremities (hands/arms) in various stages of healing. When the nurse asked the resident about the cause of the bruising, the resident said he/she woke up that way. Resident denied pain or drainage associated with the bruised areas. No tenderness reported. Resident demonstrated full range of motion to fingers without difficulty. No functional impairment observed. Staff notified physician of bruising. During an interview on 02/25/26, at 10:56 A.M., the Administrator said the following:-On Monday, 02/23/26, at approximately 9:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M., the resident's responsible party (RP) came to the Administrator's office and said the resident had bruises on his hands and arms and an unnamed staff member in the SCU told him/her Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) A abused the resident;-The Administrator interviewed CNA C who said he/she worked the day shift at the facility on the morning of 02/20/26. He/she arrived at work on 02/20/26, at approximately 5:55 A.M. and entered the SCU, walked down the hallway, and saw CNA A in the resident's room holding the resident's arms;-CNA C asked why CNA A was in the resident's room and CNA A informed CNA C he/she was putting the resident back to bed;-CNA C, said on 02/20/26 between 6:00 A.M. and 6:30 (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0609</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>resident's arms and causing bruising to be physical abuse;-Staff should have immediately reported the abuse to the DON or Administrator. 2. Review of Resident #2's face sheet showed the following:-Admission date of 8/12/21;-Diagnoses included dementia, depression, anxiety disorder, delusional disorder, and paranoid personality disorder. Review of the resident's quarterly MDS, dated [DATE], showed the following:-Severe cognitive impairment;-Experienced inattention and disorganized thoughts, behavior present, fluctuates (comes and goes, changes in severity);-Dependent on staff for toileting hygiene, personal hygiene, showering, lower body dressing, and transfers.</p> <p>Review of the resident's care plan, revised 01/16/26, showed the following:-On occasion the resident has signs and symptoms of mood distress, weepy, crying, and doesn't think anyone likes him/her;-Resident has cognitive deficit, anxiety, and depression;-Resident will verbalize feelings of acceptance from others and involve self in activities of his/her choice;-Take resident to quiet, calm area; -Acknowledge to the resident that the current situation must be difficult; -Encourage resident to verbalize feelings, concerns, fears, etc.;-Clarify misconceptions; -Explore with resident past effective and ineffective coping mechanisms. Review of the resident's progress note dated 02/17/26, at 1:15 P.M., showed the DON documented the resident experienced episodes of increased confusion and hallucinations during the shift. Resident repeatedly asked for someone by name, stating that person was present at the facility. Resident also reported that a gentleman was present. Staff redirected the resident and informed the resident that the men present were staff members. Resident became mildly defensive with redirection but was able to be redirected. RN U (hospice nurse) was present and witnessed the hallucination. Staff will continue current plan of care. During an interview on 02/27/26, at 12:15 P.M., RN U said the following:-RN U visited the resident every week;-The resident was confused but during the previous two weeks, the resident would say, Don't let that man in here. He's raped me;-RN U said, I just kind of blew it off;-He/she did tell the family about the resident's comments, to see if the resident had a history of abuse in the past;-He/she believed he/she told LPN B or the DON about the resident's comments;-The nurse said the resident was hallucinating and would say, the man was coming to get us. We need to leave. The resident then said there he was and would point to no one;-RN U was unsure if he/she documented the resident's comments or not;-The nurse was unsure exactly when the resident made the rape allegation, but thought it occurred around the last part of January 2026;-On a couple of occasions, the resident was tearful and said this man comes in and rapes me;-He/she thought he/she told CNA H of the resident's comments about being raped on 02/17/26;-The nurse said he/she did not know he/she had to report the resident's allegation of rape since the resident had a diagnosis of dementia. During an interview on 02/27/26, at 1:15 P.M., CNA H said the following:-He/she recalled a time when the resident was at the nurses' station and stated he/she had been raped;-The resident was unable to provide any information about the person that had raped him/her when asked;-The charge nurse and him/her heard the resident say he/she had been raped;-The resident made the same comment about rape a couple days later while he/she and another aide were getting the resident out of bed;-He/she told LPN B or possibly another nurse about the allegation;-The nurse stated the resident had been confused;-He/she would report an allegation to the charge nurse, DON, or the Administrator immediately;-Abuse should be reported to the state in two hours.</p> <p>Review of the DHSS records showed the facility did not self-report the allegation of rape made by the resident. During an interview on 02/27/26, at 1:39 P.M., LPN B said the following:-If a resident reported they were raped, the nurse would speak with the resident and then immediately contact the DON and Administrator to notify;-LPN B would consider a resident claiming rape, to be an allegation of abuse and assault. Review of the resident's progress notes dated 2/27/26, at 2:21 P.M., showed an allegation of sexual assault reported to DHSS.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0610</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Respond appropriately to all alleged violations.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure after an allegation of abuse, an immediate investigation was completed with steps implemented to protect all residents during the investigation, when staff failed to complete timely investigations of two allegations of abuse involving two residents (Resident #1 and #2). The facility census was 65. Review of the facility's policy titled, Abuse Policy, undated, showed the following-It is the policy of the facility that each resident will be free from abuse;-Abuse can include verbal, mental, sexual, or physical abuse, misappropriation of resident property and exploitation, corporal punishment or involuntary seclusion;-All employees who have been alleged to commit abuse will be suspended immediately pending investigation. Accused visitors will be removed from the building and not allowed to visit until the investigation is completed. Accused residents will be isolated and monitored;-Report the results of all investigations to the Administrator or his/her designated representative and to other officials in accordance with State law, including immediate or 24-hour reporting to the State Survey Agency (SSA &amp; Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)) and law enforcement. Send follow-up report to the SSA within five working days of the incident.-If the alleged violation is verified appropriate corrective action must be taken. 1. Review of Resident #1's face sheet showed the following:-admission date of 04/01/24;-Diagnoses included vascular dementia (a decline in thinking skills caused by conditions that block or reduce blood flow to the brain, depriving brain cells of oxygen) with agitation. Review of the resident's care plan, dated 07/17/25, showed resident resided on the special care unit (SCU) for safety. Review of the resident's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS - a federally mandated assessment tool completed by facility staff), dated 12/12/25, showed the following:-Usually understood and usually understands communication;-Severely cognitively impaired;-Exhibited inattention, behavior present, fluctuates (comes and goes, changes in severity);-Exhibited disorganized thinking, behavior present, fluctuates;-No physical, verbal, or other behavioral symptoms directed toward others;-No rejection of care;-No wandering. Review of the resident's progress note dated 02/23/26, at 12:59 P.M., showed the Director of Nursing (DON) noted resident had scattered bruising on his/her bilateral (both sides) upper extremities (hands/arms) in various stages of healing. When the nurse asked the resident about the cause of the bruising, the resident said he/she woke up that way. Resident denied pain or drainage associated with the bruised areas. No tenderness reported. Resident demonstrated full range of motion to fingers without difficulty. No functional impairment observed. Staff notified physician of bruising. During an interview on 02/25/26, at 10:56 A.M., the Administrator said the following:-On Monday, 02/23/26, at approximately 9:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M., the resident's responsible party (RP) came to the Administrator's office and said the resident had bruises on his/her hands and arms. An unnamed staff member in the SCU told him/her Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) A abused the resident;-The Administrator informed the RP he/she was not aware of this allegation of abuse, but would investigate the allegation;-The Administrator interviewed CNA C who said he/she worked the day shift at the facility on the morning of 02/20/26. He/she arrived at work on 02/20/26, at approximately 5:55 A.M., entered the SCU, walked down the hallway, and saw CNA A in the resident's room holding the resident's arms;-CNA C asked why CNA A was in the resident's room and CNA A informed CNA C he/she was putting the resident back to bed;-CNA C said on 02/20/26, between 6:00 A.M. and 6:30 A.M., he/she informed Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) L about CNA A holding onto the resident's arms;-After reviewing timeclock information, the Administrator said CNA A worked overnight at the facility on Thursday night, 02/19/26. CNA A clocked out on Friday, 02/20/26 at 6:54 A.M. CNA A also worked overnight at the facility on Friday night, 02/20/26, from 5:57 P.M. until Saturday morning, 02/21/26, at 7:01 A.M.; -CNA A worked after the alleged abuse, because the Administrator was not aware of the allegation until 02/23/26;-Both nights, CNA A worked in the dementia unit (SCU) alone;-On 02/23/26, the Administrator viewed 02/20/26 video footage from the (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Provide appropriate treatment and care according to orders, resident?s preferences and goals.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to monitor, obtain and document treatment orders, and care plan wounds for three residents. Resident #4 had a head laceration and right wrist splint, Resident #8 had open leg ulcers, and Resident #5 a skin tear and multiple scabbed areas to left arm. The facility census was 65. Review of an undated facility policy titled 'Wound Care and Treatment' showed the following:-It is purpose of the facility to prevent and treat all wounds;-Prevention strategies include ongoing skin assessments with weekly documentation of status;-Dietician consultation to obtain suggestions on dietary modifications and protein supplementation and to assess the need for a house vitamin supplement if a wound is present;-Obtain a consultation with the quality assurance nurse when resident has no improvement in existing wounds following a two-to-three-week plan of care;-Reevaluate dressing and skin integrity every shift;-Reevaluate the wounds response to the prescribed treatment on a regular basis;-Make recommendations for treatment changes and inform the physician of changes in wound status when needed;-Date, time, and initial all dressings at time of application;-Thoroughly document all wound information such as type, location, stage (if applicable), length, width, depth, drainage, notation of tunneling or undermining, description of tissue, state of peri wound area, and treatment of wound.</p> <p>Facility was unable to provide a policy regarding orthotics upon request.</p> <p>1. Review of Resident #4's face sheet (a general information sheet) showed the following:-admitted to the facility on [DATE];-Diagnoses included vascular dementia (progressive decline in thinking, memory, and behaviors caused by impaired blood flow to the brain), diabetes mellitus (chronic disease that causes high blood sugar), and high blood pressure.</p> <p>Review of the resident's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS), a federally mandated assessment instrument completed by facility staff, dated 1/12/2026, showed the following:-Had severe cognitive impairment; -Had delusions and hallucinations;-Had a skin tear;-Dependent on staff for toileting, showering, and dressing;-Utilized a walker for mobility.</p> <p>Review of the resident's care plan, revised 01/29/26, showed the following:-Potential for injury or harm due to visual issues;-At risk for skin issues due to impaired sensory perception, cognitive deficit, impaired communication, and medication regimen;-At risk for falls related to cognitive deficit, delusions, anxiety, and frequent walking.(The care plan was not updated to include recent fall with laceration and right wrist sprain)</p> <p>Review of a nursing progress note dated 02/12/2026 at 4:37 P.M., showed staff were called to the special care unit (SCU) dining area after the resident experienced an unwitnessed fall. The resident was found face down in front of the wall in the dining area. Assessment revealed a laceration to the forehead extending into the eyebrow. Bleeding was controlled. The resident was noted to have slurred speech. Nurse practitioner was notified, and the resident was sent to the emergency room for further evaluation. Emergency medical services were called, and first responders were in the facility with the resident.</p> <p>Review of a hospital Discharge summary, dated [DATE], showed the resident was seen for a right wrist sprain, forehead laceration, closed head injury, and a cervical sprain. Resident should follow up with primary physician in one week and is to wear a splint until cleared by his/her physician. The resident is to return to the hospital immediately if he/she develops increased pain, weakness, (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>During an interview on 02/27/26, at 11:25 A.M., LPN G said the resident had a laceration to the forehead and it should be monitored and included in the treatment administration record. The splint to the left arm is due to a fracture, but he/she was unsure how the resident obtained the fracture. The laceration and the splint should be included in the care plan.</p> <p>Review of a physician progress note dated 02/27/26, at 7:45 P.M. showed a follow up evaluation after recent fall with head laceration and right wrist sprain. Patient sent to hospital for evaluation and returned same day. Right wrist sprain requiring splinting, patient non-compliant with splint use. Continue fall precautions and enhanced safety measures. Encourage splint compliance with frequent redirection and education. Monitor for signs of wrist reinjury or complications. Encourage right wrist splint compliance with frequent redirection. Follow-up as needed for acute changes or splint non-compliance. (follow up visit completed fifteen days after hospital visit)</p> <p>Review of the resident's February 2026 physician's order sheet (POS) showed the following:-An order dated 02/27/26, to monitor head laceration every shift until healed;-An order dated 02/27/26, to monitor skin under wrist split daily until wrist is healed, discontinued on 03/03/26.</p> <p>Review of a nursing progress note dated 02/28/26, at 10:14 A.M. showed the resident's laceration to forehead is healing well.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/03/26, at 3:10 P.M., Nurse Assistant (NA) M said the resident should have the splint on the left arm. The aide that gets him/her up in the morning is responsible for putting it on. The resident does take the brace off at times.</p> <p>During an observation on 03/03/26, at 3:15 P.M., showed the resident resting in bed with the splint on the counter near sink.</p> <p>Review of a wound assessment dated [DATE], showed the resident had a laceration that measured 3 cm by 0.25 cm with no drainage and skin pink in color.(No progress notes showing the resident refused to wear splint to right wrist or additional notes regarding monitoring of forehead laceration.)</p> <p>During an interview on 03/05/26, at 11:45 A.M., Nurse Practitioner (NP) O said the following:-Resident #4 should have an order to check his splint, including circulation and skin condition;-Nurse should check the laceration site every shift for infection or bleeding;-The resident should be monitored for any latent injuries following a fall.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/05/26, at 5:45 P.M., the Administrator said a resident with a brace or laceration should have an order for monitoring. The nurses should be monitoring the resident every shift and documenting it in a progress note.</p> <p>2. Review of Resident #8's face sheet showed the following:-admitted to the facility on [DATE];-Diagnoses included intracerebral hemorrhage (ruptured blood vessel which caused bleeding into the brain), high blood pressure, open wound of the left lower leg, non-pressure chronic ulcer, open wound to right leg.</p> <p>Review of the resident's quarterly MDS, dated [DATE], showed the following:-Had severe cognitive impairment; -At risk for pressure injuries;-Dependent on staff for all activities of daily living (ADLs -essential, routine self-care tasks such as bathing, dressing, touting, and transfers) except eating;-Had one unhealed stage one pressure injury (Intact skin with non-blanchable redness of a (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed skin intact with no treatment in place.</p> <p>No additional progress notes related to wounds in February.</p> <p>During an observation and interview of wound care with Resident #8 on 02/26/26 at 2:00 P.M., showed LPN B entered the resident room and reported the resident had a wound to the right calf. No dressing was in place upon arrival to the resident's room. The resident was sitting in the recliner with a blanket under his/her legs. The blanket had yellow colored, dried drainage under the right leg where the wound was located. The resident was noted to have two wounds on the right outer calf. Both circular shaped wounds appeared moist with a yellow-colored wound bed. LPN B said the resident had one treatment listed for wounds. LPN B cleansed both wounds with wound cleanser, applied skin prep, and then ripped the calcium alginate in half with his/her hands and applied it to both wound beds. LPN B then applied a dressing, covering both wounds. LPN B said the resident had more wounds, but they had healed and this was the only treatment ordered.</p> <p>During an interview on 02/27/26, at 11:25 A.M., LPN G said Resident #8 had wounds on the right calf area. He/she had not seen the resident in a while but remembers three small open areas on the right calf. Skin assessments should include all wounds or bruises. The Director of Nursing (DON) is responsible for completing the wound assessments weekly. A wound assessment should include size, drainage, depth, description of the wound, and if any odor is present.</p> <p>Review of a wound management report dated 03/04/26, showed the resident had an unspecified ulcer on the right ankle lower calf/top of ankle, identified on 02/18/26. The wound measured 2 cm by 3 cm with light serous (clear, amber thin, and watery) drainage. The wound bed indicated as covered in epithelial (pink or pearly white) tissue.</p> <p>Observation on 03/05/26 at 10:57 A.M, showed the following:-Resident #8 sat in his/her room in a wheelchair;-LPN B unwrapped a dressing from around the resident's right lower leg;-The resident had a total of 5 open areas, resembling shallow open blisters to his/her right lower leg with pink and yellow tissue present to the wound beds of each area;-Three open areas to the posterior (back side) lower leg, one approximately the size of a quarter and two pea sized areas;-Two open areas to the lateral (outside) lower leg, one approximately the size of a nickel and one approximately the size of a dime;-The nurse cleansed the areas with wound cleanser, patted dry, applied skin prep to the intact skin around the open areas, applied a Maxorb Extra dressing (highly absorbent dressing with antimicrobial silver) and attempted to cover all 5 open areas with one bordered gauze dressing (with an adhesive border);-The nurse placed the bordered gauze dressing, but did not sufficiently cover the nickel sized open area to the lateral lower right leg and the nurse attached the adhesive border to the open area.</p> <p>During an interview on 3/05/26 at 3:00 P.M., Registered Nurse (RN) V said the following:-The treatment order should list all the open areas on his/her legs instead of one area;-The bandage should cover the open areas and the adhesive border should not touch the open areas.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/05/26 at 10:45 A.M., NP O said nurses should be assessing any type of wound and documenting that observation. Resident # 8 should have all open areas monitored and have individualized orders for each. An adhesive bandage should not be put directly on the wound bed as it would impede the healing of the wound.</p> <p>During an interview on 03/05/26, at 5:45 P.M., the Administrator said staffing issues have affected (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>nurses completing observations and follow up for wounds. The Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) should complete the weekly wound assessments, however the current ADON resigned on 02/17/26. The nurse should document monitoring of skin areas in the progress notes. Skin treatment orders should address all open areas and not just one.</p> <p>3. Review of Resident #5's face sheet showed:-admitted to the facility on [DATE];-Primary diagnosis of atrial-fibrillation (an irregular heart rhythm causing the heart to beat faster). Review of the resident's quarterly MDS, dated [DATE], showed the following:-Short-term and long-term memory problem;-Severely impaired cognitively skills for daily decision making;-Exhibited inattention and disorganized thinking, behaviors were continuously present;-Experienced hallucinations (sensory perceptions that seem real but are not) and delusions (false beliefs);-Functional limitation to range of motion to both lower extremities;-Dependent on staff for assistance with eating, oral hygiene, , personal hygiene, toilet hygiene, showers, upper and lower body dressing, turning and transfers;-Always incontinent of bowel and bladder;-Diagnoses of psychotic disorder, stroke, dementia, and anxiety;-No skin tears present. Review of the resident's care plan last reviewed/revised on 1/29/26, showed:-Resident at risk for skin impairment and/or breakdown;-Interventions will remain in place to reduce the resident's risk of skin impairment/breakdown to the extent possible;-A licensed nurse should look at the resident's skin at least weekly;-Avoid shearing during positioning, transferring, and turning;-Resident has skin tears, use a mechanical lift for transfers, if resident becomes combative stop care and come back later;-Report any signs of skin breakdown (sore, tender, red, or broken areas) to the charge nurse and the resident's physician. Review of the resident's most recent weekly skin assessment, dated 02/22/26, showed a nurse documented skin intact with no skin issues. Review of the resident's progress notes from 02/22/26 thru 02/26/26 showed no nurse notes.</p> <p>Observation of the resident on 02/26/26 at 8:50 A.M., showed the following:-The resident sat in a geriatric chair (reclining wheeled chair) in his/her room;-The resident scratched at his/her left forearm using his/her right fingers;-The resident's fingernails were long and extended approximately 0.5 cm beyond the end of his/her fingers;-The resident had four scabbed areas to his/her left forearm with redness to the surrounding skin, the largest scabbed area was approximately 3.0 centimeters (cm) long by 2.0 cm wide and the three smaller areas were approximately 1.0 cm long by 1.0 cm wide in size;-The areas were not covered and did not appear to have any ointment present. During an interview on 02/26/26 at 8:56 A.M., Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) W said the resident's scabbed areas were most likely from skin tears cause by a previous fall or from combative behavior during cares. During an interview on 02/26/26 at 9:07 A.M., CNA R said the following:-The scabbed areas to the resident's left arm started as skin tears;-The areas were looking worse due to the presence of surrounding redness;-He/she thought the areas were present on Friday, 2/20/26. During an interview on 02/26/26 at 3:20 P.M., CNA X said the following:-The larger scabbed area to the resident's left forearm started out as a skin tear;-The CNA first saw the skin tear approximately one week ago and at that time, the resident had steri-strips (adhesive strips used for skin closure) to the open area;-The next time the CNA saw the area, the resident had a band aid covering the area;-Yesterday, 02/25/26, the resident had a bordered gauze (a wound dressing with an adhesive border) covering the open areas;-Today, 02/26/26, the scabbed areas were uncovered. During an interview on 02/27/26 at 11:00 A.M., CNA T said the following:-No one could explain how the resident sustained the left forearm skin tear;-He she came in to work approximately two weeks ago and the resident had an approximately 2-inch skin tear with steri-strips covering the wound to his/her left forearm;-Someone tried to cover the resident's open areas with a bandage, but the resident appeared to have a reaction to the adhesive;-The other open areas were caused by the adhesive and/or the resident scratching. Review of the resident's physician orders showed an order, dated 02/27/26, for staff to cleanse the (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>resident's left forearm scratches with wound cleanser, pat dry, apply A&amp;D ointment (a skin protectant/moisture) daily. Review of the resident's progress notes from 02/28/26 thru 03/03/26 showed no nurse notes. During an interview on 03/03/26 at 1:50 P.M., the DON said the following:-If staff discovered a skin tear or open area on a resident, the nurse should document in the progress notes and notify the physician for treatment orders or for orders to monitor the areas until resolved;-The nurse should notify the DON and the resident's family about the skin tear;-He/she suspected the areas to the resident's left forearm started out as a skin tear;-He/she was not aware of the areas until 2/26/26;-On 2/26/26, he/she notified the physician and obtained a treatment order to apply A&amp;D ointment to the areas. During an interview on 3/03/26 at 3:25 P.M., LPN G said the following:-If a resident's sustained a skin tear, the nurse should notify the resident's physician and the resident's family;-If the open area required a treatment, the nurse should obtain a treatment order from the physician;-The nurse should document in the resident's progress note daily until the areas were resolved. Review of the resident's progress note, dated 03/04/26, showed the DON documented the following:-Wound care note: Resident's left forearm continues to show improvement. Scabs remain present on the left forearm. Surrounding skin is intact but noted to be fragile and dry. Skin flaking observed to surrounding tissue. No drainage noted. Continue current skin treatment as ordered. During an interview on 3/05/26 at 3:00 P.M., RN V said the following:-The resident's had fragile skin and the resident picked at his/her skin;-If the resident sustained a skin tear, nurses should monitor the skin tear for signs and symptoms of infection, such as redness or drainage and obtain a physician's order for treatment, if needed. Complaint 2784515</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide appropriate pressure ulcer care and prevent new ulcers from developing.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to complete skin assessments, document accurate wound assessments, obtain and update orders timely, provide treatment as ordered, and care plan for one resident (Resident # 2) with a pressure ulcer (localized damage to the skin and/or underlying soft tissue usually over a bony prominence or related to a medical or other device). The facility census was 65. Review of an undated facility policy titled 'Wound Care and Treatment' showed the following:-It is purpose of the facility to prevent and treat all wounds;-Prevention strategies include ongoing skin assessments with weekly documentation of status;-Dietician consultation to obtain suggestions on dietary modifications and protein supplementation and to assess the need for a house vitamin supplement if a wound is present;-Obtain a consultation with the quality assurance nurse when resident has no improvement in existing wounds following a two-to-three-week plan of care;-Reevaluate dressing and skin integrity every shift;-Reevaluate the wounds response to the prescribed treatment on a regular basis;-Make recommendations for treatment changes and inform the physician of changes in wound status when needed;-Date, time, and initial all dressings at time of application;-Thoroughly document all wound information such as type, location, stage (if applicable), length, width, depth, drainage, notation of tunneling or undermining, description of tissue, state of peri wound area, and treatment of wound.Review of Resident #2's face sheet (document that gives resident's information at a quick glance) showed the following:-admission date of 08/12/21;-Diagnoses included diabetes mellitus (chronic disease that causes high blood sugar), depression, and edema (fluid accumulation in the body's tissues).Review of the resident's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS - a federally mandated assessment instrument completed by facility staff), dated 12/31/25, showed the following:-Severe cognitive impairment;-Had delusions and hallucinations;-Resident had four unhealed stage 2 (partial thickness loss of skin presenting as a shallow open ulcer with a red or pink wound bed, without slough (pale, yellow, white, or gray, moist, and stingy tissue that covers the wound bed of chronic or stalled wounds, acts as a barrier to healing). May also present as an intact or open/ruptured blister) pressure injuries;-Resident is dependent on staff for all activities of daily living (ADLs -essential, routine self-care tasks such as bathing, dressing, touting, and transfers) except eating.Review of the resident's care plan, revised 01/16/26, showed the following:-Resident at risk for skin issues related to impaired function and mobility;-Right heel blister is 100% eschar (thick, dry, black or brown layer of dead tissue that forms over severe pressure ulcers). Area measures 3.5 centimeters (cm) by 7 cm with no drainage. Resident complains of pain to area. Continue treatment, dated 12/04/25;-Skin assessment and inspection every shift with close attention to heel, dated 08/14/24;-Right heel eschar is smaller. Stage 2 pressure area measures 3.5 cm by 4 cm. No depth, drainage or signs or symptoms of infection. Continuing skin prep treatment. Resident complains of pain with treatment, dated 12/26/25;-Observe me for changes in my skin condition during daily care and on bath days. Report any redness or open areas to my nurse, dated 08/14/24.Review of the resident's current 2026 physician's order sheet (POS) showed the following:-An order dated 11/07/25, to apply boot to right heel and float heels at all times;-An order dated 11/07/25, to apply skin prep to right heel blister daily, discontinued on 11/13/25;-An order dated 11/13/25, to skin prep to right heel blister twice daily.Review of a nursing progress note dated 11/07/25 at 4:22 P.M., showed hospice nurse here and noted the resident had a large blister on his/her right heel. Fluid filled, but not eschar. The foot was floating and the boot applied. This information was also added to plan of care.Review of a wound observation report dated 11/07/25 at 11:37 A.M., showed the resident had an unstageable (a full thickness wound where the true depth and stage cannot be determined due to slough or eschar) pressure ulcer measuring 4 cm by 8 cm on the right heel with no drainage.Review of a wound observation report dated 11/13/25 at 10:12 A.M., showed the resident had an unstageable pressure ulcer measuring 4 cm by 8 cm on the (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>right heel with no drainage. Review of a nursing note dated 11/13/25 at 10:17 A.M., showed right heel had an unstageable pressure ulcer which presented as a blister at this time. A 4 cm by 8 cm fluid filled blister appeared dark under the fluid. The resident had a soft boot on for protection, is to have skin prep applied twice daily, and foot is to be elevated for edema. Review of a wound observation report dated 11/20/26 at 11:20 A.M., showed the resident had a stage 2 pressure ulcer measuring 5 cm by 7.5 cm on the right heel, with no drainage. Wound edges noted as a blister. Review of a nursing note dated 11/20/25 at 1:43 P.M., showed the right heel blister remains intact. Measurements are 5 cm by 7.5 cm with darkened skin cover or fluid. Treatment continues. Surrounding skin is pink. Review of a wound observation report dated 11/27/25 at 10:20 A.M., showed the resident had a stage 2 pressure ulcer was measured to be 3.8 cm by 7 cm on the right heel with no drainage. The wound bed was noted to be 100% necrotic (dead, nonviable tissue that prevents healing) tissue. Review of a nursing note dated 11/27/25 at 10:24 A.M., showed right heel measurements are 3.8 cm by 7 cm. Eschar covering the blister remains intact. Fluid filled area palpated to be smaller than the entire area. Surrounding skin is pink/normal. Review of a physician progress note dated 11/30/25 at 10:43 A.M., showed the wound on the right heel is being treated and a protective boot is in place. Staff was to continue current wound care regimen and monitor for improvement or deterioration. Review of the resident's December 2025 Medication Administration Record (MAR) showed heel protectors and skin prep to the right heel were documented as completed as ordered. Review of a wound observation report dated 12/04/25 at 9:00 A.M., showed resident had a stage 2 pressure ulcer measuring 3.5 cm by 7 cm on the right heel with no drainage. Wound bed noted to be 100% eschar tissue. Review of nursing progress note dated 12/04/25 at 2:46 P.M., showed right heel blister is 100% eschar measuring 3.5 cm by 7 cm. No drainage noted. Resident complains of pain with area. Review of a wound observation report dated 12/11/25 at 4:40 P.M., showed the resident had a stage 2 pressure ulcer measuring 3.5 cm by 6.8 cm on the right heel with no drainage. Wound bed noted to be 100% eschar tissue. Review of nursing progress note dated 12/11/25 at 4:44 P.M., showed the stage 2 pressure ulcer to the right heel measured 3.5 cm by 6.8 cm with no depth noted. The area was covered with eschar but was starting to loosen. No drainage, odor, or signs or symptoms of infection noted. Review of a wound observation report dated 12/18/25 at 10:33 A.M., showed the resident had a stage 2 pressure ulcer measuring 3.4 cm by 5 cm on the right heel with no drainage. The wound bed was noted to be 100% eschar tissue. Review of nursing progress note dated 12/18/25 at 10:41 A.M., showed eschar covering the right heel measured 3.4 cm by 5 cm today. No drainage or infection noted. Review of a wound observation report dated 12/23/25 at 9:11 A.M., showed resident had a stage 2 pressure ulcer measuring 3.5 cm by 4 cm on the right heel with no drainage. Wound bed noted to be 100% eschar tissue. Review of nursing progress note dated 12/23/25 at 9:21 A.M., showed the right heel eschar is smaller. Stage 2 pressure area measures 3.5 cm by 4 cm. No depth, drainage, or infection. Continuing skin prep treatment. The resident complained of pain with treatment. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of the resident's January 2026 MAR showed heel protectors and skin prep to the right heel documented as completed as ordered. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of a physician progress note dated 01/20/26 at 11:00 A.M., showed the resident had no acute skin concerns noted by staff. No further progress notes for January 2026 related to heel wound. No wound assessments completed for January 2026 to the right heel wound. Review of the resident's February 2026 MAR showed heel protectors and skin prep to the right heel documented as completed as ordered. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. Review of a skin assessment dated [DATE], showed no skin issues. During an interview and observation of wound care for Resident #2 on 02/25/26 at 1:40 P.M., showed the resident resting in bed with heel protectors and socks on prior to wound care. Licensed (continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Practical Nurse (LPN) B removed the resident's sock and there was a notable odor coming from resident's foot. LPN B said he/she thought the wound treatment should be re-evaluated due to the smell. He/she had noticed an odor since Monday. A black colored round scabbed area was noted to the right heel with no drainage noted. LPN B applied skin prep to the wound bed and then reapplied the sock and heel protector. The resident complained of discomfort upon touching his/her heel. Review of a nursing progress note dated 02/26/26 at 11:17 A.M., showed the resident has an unstageable right heel wound with necrotic tissue, measuring approximately 4 cm x 3.5 cm. Wound borders are no longer attached. The surrounding tissue is pink and warm. No drainage or odor noted. Resident denies pain unless the area is palpated. The hospice nurse and physician were notified and given an update. Continue the current treatment per hospice and physician. Review of a physician progress note dated 02/27/26 at 2:21 P.M., showed the resident had a functional decline and staff should monitor for pressure ulcer development with increased bed rest. Review of a nursing progress note dated 02/27/26 at 3:31 P.M., showed the resident had an unstageable ulcer to the right heel. No additional wound assessments or progress notes related to right heel wound were noted. During an interview on 02/27/26, at 11:25 A.M. and at 3:05 P.M., LPN G said the resident has eschar on his/her right heel that had been there for a while. The resident's order for skin prep to the right heel had not been changed. The wound did not have an odor one week ago when he/she saw it. Skin assessments should include any wounds or bruises. The DON is responsible for completing wound assessments weekly. A wound assessment should include size, drainage, depth, description of the wound, and if any odor is present. An odor from a wound would indicate an infection. During an interview on 02/27/26 at 12:15 P.M., the hospice registered nurse (RN) U said the following:-The resident noted to have a firm black eschar wound to the right heel that measured 3 cm by 3 cm;-The wound measured 8 cm by 4 cm on 11/07/25 and was a fluid filled blister with black soft eschar;-The wound care treatment order is for skin prep to the area and had not changed since initial order on 11/07/25;-He/she does not provide wound assessments to the facility, and he/she does not have access to the facility wound assessments;-He/she did not view the resident's wound during visit today. During an interview on 02/27/26 at 2:08 P.M., the Director of Nursing (DON) said the former Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) was responsible for wound assessments. He/she did not know why there are no wound assessments since December 2025. He/she had been trying to get started on wound assessments for the last couple weeks. Review of a skin assessment dated 03/01/26, showed no skin issues. Review of a nursing progress note dated 03/03/26 at 7:32 P.M., showed the right heel was assessed to have no change. Wound measurements were 3 cm by 3 cm with no drainage noted. The foot was elevated to keep the heel off the bed. Hospice nurse was present during treatment. During an interview on 03/05/26 at 22:45 A.M., NP O said nurses should be assessing any type of wound and documenting the observation. He/she had not seen the resident's wound recently. The hospice nurse should be documenting so other providers are able to view his/her notes. The providers would not know how the wound is progressing or, if it is getting worse, if documentation is not shared. During an interview on 03/05/26 at 5:45 P.M., the Administrator said staffing issues have affected nurses completing observations and follow up for wounds. The ADON should complete the weekly wound assessments. The current ADON resigned on 02/17/26. The nurse should document monitoring of skin areas in progress notes and stage all wounds correctly. The facility nurse and hospice nurse should both complete wound assessments if a resident is on hospice. Complaint 2784515</p>		

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<p>F 0773</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide or obtain laboratory tests/services when ordered and promptly tell the ordering practitioner of the results.</p> <p>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to provide laboratory services per standards of practice when the facility staff did not obtain an ordered urinalysis (UA) timely, did not follow-up to obtain timely results of a UA/culture and sensitivity result (a urine sample grown in a lab to identify bacteria or other pathogen and then tested against various bacteria to determine how effective different antibiotics are at killing the bacteria), and did not document follow-up or delays related to the UA for one resident (Resident #3) with an untreated urinary tract infection (UTI). The facility census was 65. Review of the nursing facility laboratory agreement, dated 11/02/20, showed the following:-Common tests will be reported the same day and most other tests will be reported within a 24-hour period;-For those tests that cannot be reasonably reported in those time frames listed, the lab will report results as soon as possible and in a time consistent with leading standards;-The lab provides routine lab days Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.Review of Resident #3's face sheet (a general information sheet) showed the following:-admission date of 02/06/26;-Diagnoses included dementia (loss of mental functions that are severe enough to affect your daily life and activities), anxiety, and cerebral infarction (a blockage in an artery that restricts blood flow to the brain, leading to tissue death).Review of the resident's comprehensive Minimum Data Set (MDS - a federally mandated assessment instrument completed by facility staff), dated 03/09/26, showed the following:-Resident had severe cognitive impairment; -Resident required moderate staff assistance for toileting, bed mobility, dressing, and transfers;-Resident dependent on staff for showering and hygiene;-Resident incontinent of bladder.Review showed the facility did not provide a care plan for the resident. Review of the resident's physician order, dated 02/14/26, showed an order for UA and urine culture for diagnosis of UTI.Review of the resident's progress notes, dated 02/14/26 to 02/17/26, showed staff did not document regarding obtaining the UA order, lab contact, if UA was obtained, if there was difficulty obtaining the UA, or results from a UA. Review of the resident's progress note, dated 02/18/26, showed a UA was obtained at 7:41 P.M. (four days after initial UA order).Review of the resident's progress notes, dated 02/19/26 to 02/26/26, showed staff did not document regarding the UA status, UA follow-up, or UA findings. Review of the resident's UA and culture final report dated 02/27/26, at 12:37 P.M., showed the following: -Specimen collected from facility on 02/18/26;-Greater than 100,000/milliliter (ml) Klebsiella Aerogenes (a gram-negative bacteria commonly found in the human gut and in the environment that can cause serious infections) and &gt;100,000/ml Hafnia Alvei (a gram-negative bacteria commonly found in the human gut and in the environment that can cause serious infections);-Susceptibility results showed several antibiotics the bacteria were sensitive to, but the report showed both bacteria were resistant (indicating the bacteria will not be killed by the antibiotic) to nitrofurantoin (an antibiotic).Review of the resident's progress note, dated 02/27/26, showed the UA with culture and sensitivity results came in. The physician was in the facility and ordered nitrofurantoin (an antibiotic) 100 (milligrams) mg twice daily for seven days (13 days after initial urinalysis order). Staff did not document regarding a discussion of the infection being resistant to the antibiotic ordered. During an interview on 03/03/26, at 3:25 P.M., Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) G said medical records used to check for lab results, but they do not have a medical records person now. Nurses should be looking for results by logging into the lab website and checking. He/she did not check the lab website for results regularly. The nurses do not have good communication at the facility.During an interview on 03/05/26, at 11:45 A.M., Nurse Practitioner (NP) O said an UA result with a culture should be complete in three to four days. The lab comes to the facility on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Nine days would be too long for results from a culture. During an interview on 03/03/26, at 2:08 P.M., the Director of Nursing (DON) said resident's initial UA came back and did not appear to be bad, but when the culture and sensitivity returned it was bad. He/she should be calling the laboratory to check on the status but is on the floor working. A culture and (continued on next page)</p>		

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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Hermitage Nursing & Rehab		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  18599 First Street Hermitage, MO 65668	

For information on the nursing home's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the nursing home or the state survey agency.

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