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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 265516	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 12/18/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Georgian Gardens Center for Rehab and Healthcare		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1 Georgian Gardens Drive Potosi, MO 63664	
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F 0684 Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety Residents Affected - Few	Provide appropriate treatment and care according to orders, resident's preferences and goals. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 31057 Based on observation, record review and interview, the facility failed to provide care in a sterile manner for one resident (Resident #4) of 11 sampled residents and did not assess or notify the physician when the peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC), (a long, flexible tube that is inserted into a vein in the arm and threaded into a large vein near the heart, used to deliver fluids, blood transfusions, medications, and nutrition intravenously, and to draw blood samples) line was cut during a dressing treatment and subsequently removed without a physician's order, placing the resident at risk for possible complication of a catheter-related bloodstream infection (CRBSI), which can occur when bacteria enter the bloodstream through the catheter site due to improper sterile technique, potentially leading to serious systemic infection. The facility census was 88. The Administrator was notified on 12/17/24 at 4:50 P.M. of an Immediate Jeopardy (IJ) which began on 12/17/24. The IJ was removed on 12/17/24 as confirmed by surveyor onsite verification. Record review of the facility policy dated August 2014 Guidelines for Preventing Intravenous Catheter Related Infections, directed staff to: - Use either sterile gauze or sterile transparent, semi-permeable membrane to cover central or peripheral (a device used to draw blood and give treatments, including intravenous fluids (IV), drugs, or blood transfusions. A thin, flexible tube is inserted into a vein, usually in the back of the hand, the lower part of the arm, or the foot) catheter sites; - Removal of a midline or any central line is to be performed upon the order of a Physician or authorized prescriber in accordance with State Nurse Practice Act. Review of the following sources, Infusion Nursing: An Evidence-Based Approach, Third Edition edited by [NAME], [NAME], [NAME], [NAME], and [NAME]. 3. INS (Infusion Nurses Society) Policies and Procedures for Infusion Nursing, 3rd Edition and the Infusion Nursing Standards of Practice - Revised 2016; Journal of Infusion Nursing, Supplement to January/February 2016, Volume 39, Number 1S, showed upon removal of an infusion apparatus, appropriate staff should: - Verify physician order; - Measure the catheter and inspect the tip; (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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F 0684 Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety Residents Affected - Few	- Use caution in the removal of a midline/PICC catheter, including precautions and interventions to prevent air embolism (blockage in an artery) and increase the likelihood of clot formation. Petroleum-based ointment and a sterile dressing may be applied to the access site to seal the skin-to-vein tract and decrease the risk of air embolus; - Position the patient so that the IV insertion site is at or below the level of the heart to reduce the risk of air embolus; - Apply a tourniquet to the upper arm by the shoulder if the catheter breaks during removal and a suspected fragment remains in the patient; - Not occlude arterial flow; - Notify the physician immediately and access emergency response system, as appropriate; - Stay with the patient and continue to monitor; - Document procedure, including catheter length, outcome and patient's response on the Midline/PICC progress record or other form as applicable. Review of Resident #4's medical record showed: - Admission to facility on 03/09/22 with last re-admission to the facility on [DATE]; - Cognition intact, own responsible party; - Able to make needs known; - Diagnoses of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (a common lung disease that causes breathing problems by restricting airflow), osteomyelitis right hip abscess (a painful bone infection that can occur when bacteria or other germs spread to the bone), schizophrenia (a chronic mental illness that affects a person's thoughts, feelings, and behaviors), and hypertensive heart disease with heart failure (a group of conditions that can occur when high blood pressure (hypertension) goes unmanaged); - No PICC catheter monitoring sheet. Review of the resident's care plan showed no mention of the placement or care of a PICC line. Record review of the December 2024 Physician Order Sheet (POS), showed: - An order dated 11/28/24 change PICC line dressing weekly on Fridays for infection control; - An order dated 11/28/24 flush PICC line with normal saline (a sterile solution of water and salt), Heparin (an anticoagulant (blood thinner) that stops your blood from forming blood clots or making them bigger) 5 milliliters (ml) every shift for line patency; - An order dated 11/28/24 monitor PICC line insertion for bleeding and or signs and symptoms of infection every shift; (continued on next page)		

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