

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 32E083	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 02/14/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER South Valley Care Center LLC		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1629 Bowe Lane SW Albuquerque, NM 87105	

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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>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 50752</p> <p>Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to notify the resident's physician when a resident did not eat for an extended period of time and loss significant weight for 1 (R #1) of 1 (R #1) resident. If the facility is not notifying the physician then residents are likely to experience adverse effects, worsening of their condition, and potential complications from not receiving the proper care.</p> <p>The findings are:</p> <p>A. Record review of R #1's face sheet, dated 11/19/24, revealed R #1 was admitted to the facility 06/14/19.</p> <p>B. Record review of R #1's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS; a federally mandated assessment instrument completed by facility staff), dated 07/01/24, revealed R #1 had a Brief Interview of Mental Status (BIMS; a screening for cognitive impairment) score of seven (7), severely impaired.</p> <p>C. Record review of R #1's physician orders, dated September 2024, revealed the following:</p> <p>a. Diagnoses included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alzheimer's disease (a disease which causes irreversible changes in memory, thinking, and behavior), - Type 2 diabetes mellitus (DM2, a condition which results from insufficient production of insulin, causing high blood sugar), - Unspecified dementia (a group of conditions characterized by impairment of at least two brain functions, such as memory loss and judgment), - Encephalopathy (a degenerative brain disease that alters brain function or structure.) <p>b. Diet: Regular.</p> <p>D. Record Review of R #1's meal intake revealed the following:</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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