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<p>F 0584</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to a safe, clean, comfortable and homelike environment, including but not limited to receiving treatment and supports for daily living safely.</p> <p>Based on observation and interviews with staff, the facility failed to secure a packaged terminal air conditioner (PTAC) unit to the wall on 1 of 5 resident halls reviewed for the environment (Resident #280's room).</p> <p>The findings included:</p> <p>An observation of Resident #280's room on 6/3/25 at 8:20 AM revealed a packaged terminal air conditioner (PTAC) unit which is a self-contained heat and air conditioning unit was not secured to the wall. An area of outdoor grass was visible through the approximately 1/2 inch gap.</p> <p>An interview and observation of the PTAC unit in Resident #280's room was conducted on 6/4/25 at 10:50 AM with the Maintenance Director, he revealed the unit was coming away from the wall due to a screw missing which created an approximately 1/2 inch gap between the unit and the wall which allowed for the grass outside to be visible. The Maintenance Director stated he was not aware of this needed repair as no one had reported it to him.</p> <p>An interview with the Administrator was conducted on 6/6/25 at 8:40 AM. At that time, she revealed the department managers were tasked to conduct room inspections daily. These inspections should have found the unit missing a screw and coming away from the wall and been reported to the Maintenance Director for repair.</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 0585</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to voice grievances without discrimination or reprisal and the facility must establish a grievance policy and make prompt efforts to resolve grievances.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on record review and staff interviews, the facility failed to file a grievance on behalf of a resident when the resident reported a grievance verbally to the Social Worker (SW) related to multiple items missing from her belongings after returning from a short hospital stay. The missing items were not located. This deficient practice affected 1 of 1 resident reviewed for grievances Resident #93).</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>A review of the facility policy titled Service Concerns/Grievances dated 3/1/25 indicated that nursing staff, Social Work and Discharge Planners or any other team member receiving questions or issues of concern regarding care and/or services are to immediately respond at the point of service in an effort to satisfactorily resolve issues of concern. The policy stated the patient had the right to voice/file grievances/complaints (orally, in writing or anonymously) without fear of discrimination or reprisal.</p> <p>Resident #39 was readmitted to facility on 10/15/24 with a diagnosis of non-Alzheimer's dementia.</p> <p>A review of Resident #39's medical record revealed she was sent to the hospital on 4/27/25 and returned on 5/5/25 and was discharged on 5/23/25.</p> <p>A review of Resident #39's admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed she was moderately cognitively impaired.</p> <p>During an interview with the SW on 6/4/25 at 1:12 PM she revealed Resident #39 was admitted to the hospital from the facility on 4/27/25. The SW stated that she packed Resident #39's belongings and put them in storage on facility grounds on 4/28/25. When Resident #39 returned from the hospital on 5/5/25 her belongings were returned to her and put away in her room by staff. The SW was unable to state which staff put the items away. The SW further stated that Resident #39 told her on more than one occasion between the dates of 5/5/25 and her discharge on [DATE] that she was missing a small suitcase, a pair of shoes, and two cotton nightgowns. The SW indicated she remembered the suitcase, as she had packed items in it to go to storage. The SW indicated she did not tell other staff Resident #39 reported missing items to her. The SW revealed she did not file a grievance on behalf of Resident #39, nor did she look for the items, as she was waiting for the resident to provide her with a written list including sizes. The SW indicated she would have been responsible for locating the items and that the items were never located. The SW further stated she should have written a grievance on behalf of Resident #39 given her cognitive status and to ensure her concerns were followed up on.</p> <p>Attempts to reach Resident #39 by telephone were unsuccessful.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/4/25 at 1:30 PM she stated she was not aware Resident #39 was missing a small suitcase, a pair of shoes and two cotton nightgowns. She further stated the SW should have made a list of the missing items for Resident #39 given her cognitive status. The Administrator revealed she did not think a grievance should have been filed right away, but rather after the missing items were not located after a week or so.</p>		

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<p>F 0641</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure each resident receives an accurate assessment.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on record review and staff interviews, the facility failed to accurately code the Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment in the area of high risk drug class medications. This was for 1 of 5 residents reviewed for unnecessary medications (Resident #30).</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Resident #30 was admitted to the facility on [DATE].</p> <p>A review of Resident #30's admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed coding that Resident #30 received anticoagulant (blood thinning) medication during the look-back period of the assessment.</p> <p>A review of Resident #30's Medication Administration Record (MAR) for February 2025 did not reveal any documentation indicating a physician's order for anticoagulant medication or that anticoagulant medication was administered to Resident #30 in February 2025 since her admission to the facility.</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 8:35 AM an interview with MDS Nurse #2 indicated she coded the high risk drug class medication section of Resident #30's MDS assessment dated [DATE]. She stated although Resident #30 had not taken any anticoagulant medication in the look back period of this assessment since her admission to the facility, she had received heparin (a blood thinning medication) in the hospital in the 2 days prior to her admission. She reported it was her understanding that the anticoagulant medication Resident #30 received in the hospital should be reflected on Resident #30's MDS assessment dated [DATE].</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 8:51 AM an interview with the Director of Nursing indicated it was her understanding that the anticoagulant medication Resident #30 received in the hospital prior to her admission to the facility should be reflected on Resident #30's MDS assessment dated [DATE]. She reported that resident's MDS assessments should be accurate.</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 10:00 AM an interview with the Administrator indicated everyone understood that the high risk drug class section of a resident's MDS assessment should be coded based on a 7 day look back period which included any of these medications a resident received outside the facility during a 7 day look back period. She reported MDS assessments should be coded accurately.</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</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>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, record review and staff interviews, the facility failed to develop a comprehensive care plan for a resident in the areas of bed rails (Resident #94) and for the use of a Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) machine for one resident (Resident #63). This was for 2 of 24 residents reviewed for comprehensive care plans.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>1. Resident #94 was admitted to the facility on [DATE].</p> <p>A review of Resident #94's comprehensive care plan dated 11/3/24 revealed she did not have a care plan that included the use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p> <p>Resident #94's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed bed rails were not used as a restraint.</p> <p>An observation was conducted on 6/3/25 at 12:43 PM in Resident #94's room. The resident was lying in bed with bilateral quarter length side rails in the raised position.</p> <p>In an interview with Resident #94 on 6/3/25 at 12:43 PM, she stated she had always had the side rails on her bed.</p> <p>An interview with the admission Nurse was conducted on 6/5/25 at 2:03 PM. She stated she did the admission side rail assessment for Residents #94. The admission Nurse reviewed the side rail assessment during the interview and revealed that it was marked as not using bilateral quarter length side rails which was not correct. She was unsure why she had marked it as such.</p> <p>In an interview with MDS Nurse #2 on 6/5/25 at 1:46 PM she stated the care plan was updated by MDS coding and any other department in the facility such as nursing, activities or dietary. MDS Nurse #2 further stated MDS coding for side rails comes from the side rail assessment completed by nursing and MDS Nurse's do not go to the residents' room to observe for side rails.</p> <p>An observation and interview was conducted with the Director of Nursing (DON) on 6/3/25 at 2:31 PM. Resident #94 was lying in bed with bilateral quarter length side rails in the raised position. The DON stated Resident #94 should have had a care plan that included the use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/3/25 at 3:07 PM, she stated Residents #94 should have had a care plan that included the use of bilateral quarter length side rails since the side rails were on the bed. The Administrator further stated she was only aware that the comprehensive care plan was developed automatically based on nursing assessments and other departments can add to it.</p> <p>2. Resident #63 was admitted to the facility on [DATE].</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0656</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #63's hospital Discharge summary dated [DATE] indicated she brought her CPAP machine from home and used it nightly in the hospital.</p> <p>The admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] for Resident #63 indicated she was cognitively intact and required no CPAP machine usage.</p> <p>An interview with the admission Nurse was conducted on 6/5/25 at 2:03 PM. She stated she did the admission nursing assessments for Resident #63. The admission Nurse indicated she was unaware the resident had a CPAP machine. The admission Nurse stated she did go into the resident's room when she completed the assessment but she did not notice the CPAP machine</p> <p>A review of Resident #63's comprehensive care plan dated 3/24/25 revealed she did not have a care plan that included nightly use of a CPAP machine.</p> <p>On 6/2/25 at 1:15 PM an interview with Resident #63 and an observation of her room was conducted. The resident had a CPAP machine next to her bed, and she stated she brought it with her from the hospital when she was admitted to the facility. Resident #63 further stated it was her personal CPAP machine that she had brought to the hospital before coming to the facility. Resident #63 indicated she used it every night for sleep apnea (when a person has breathing interruptions in their sleep).</p> <p>In an interview with MDS Nurse #2 on 6/5/25 at 1:46 PM, After that, the care plan was updated by MDS coding and any other department in the facility such as nursing, activities or dietary. MDS Nurse #2 further stated MDS coding for side rails comes from the side rail assessment completed by nursing and MDS Nurse's do not go to the residents' room to observe for a CPAP machine.</p> <p>An interview with the Unit Manager (UM) #1 and NA #1 was conducted on 6/5/25 at 1:59 PM. They both stated Resident #63 brought the CPAP machine with her from the hospital and wore it nightly. They indicated she put it on and took it off independently.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/3/25 at 3:07 PM she stated Resident #63 should have had a care plan for the use of the CPAP machine. The Administrator further stated she was only aware that the comprehensive care plan was developed automatically based on nursing assessments and other departments can add to it.</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide appropriate treatment and care according to orders, resident's preferences and goals.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, record review, and staff and Wound Care Nurse Practitioner (NP) interviews, the facility failed to obtain a provider order for and implement the recommended pressure relief measure of a heel protection boot for 1 of 1 resident reviewed for a non-pressure related heel wound (Resident #62).</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Resident #62 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus.</p> <p>A review of a Wound Care NP progress note for Resident #62 dated 2/25/25 at 10:50 PM revealed Resident #2 had a new non-thermal blister to his left heel.</p> <p>A review of Resident #62's annual Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed Resident #62 was moderately cognitively impaired and he had one open lesion on the foot. Resident #62 required moderate assistance with sit to lying position, lying to sitting on the side of the bed, and sit to stand position. Resident #62 was maximal assistance with putting and taking off footwear. Resident #62 was moderate assistance with lower body dressing and setup with upper body dressing. He was moderate assistance with bathing and personal hygiene.</p> <p>A review of a Wound Care NP's progress note for Resident #62 dated 4/21/25 at 9:31 AM revealed Resident #61's left heel wound was an arterial ulcer.</p> <p>A review of a Wound Care NP's progress note for Resident #62 dated 5/13/2025 at 6:14 PM revealed the recommendation to float Resident #62's left heel while in bed using a soft protective boot.</p> <p>Review of the medical record and physician orders view of Resident #62's orders did not reveal a provider order for a protective boot for Resident #62's left heel.</p> <p>On 6/2/25 at 11:00 AM an observation of Resident #62 revealed him to be lying on his back in bed. Resident #62's bilateral heels were observed to be in contact with his mattress. No protective boot was observed on his left heel.</p> <p>On 6/4/25 at 1:30 PM an observation of Resident #62 revealed him to be lying on his back in bed. Resident #62's bilateral heels were observed to be in contact with his mattress. No protective boot was observed on his left heel.</p> <p>On 6/5/2025 at 2:42 PM an observation of Resident #62's left heel wound was conducted with the facility's Treatment Nurse. This wound was observed to appear clean, with no foul odor, and no drainage was present. An interview completed with the Treatment Nurse at the time of the observation revealed she had been the treatment nurse at the facility for a month and was familiar with Resident #62's left heel wound. She reported the wound was improving. Treatment Nurse stated when she and the Wound Care NP did wound care together the Wound NP informed her of her recommendation.</p> <p>On 6/05/2025 at 3:29 PM an interview with Nurse Aide (NA) #6 revealed Resident #62 had been in his current room for a couple of months and since Resident #62 had been in his current room she had not placed a protective boot on Resident #62.</p> <p>(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 - Few</p>	<p>In an interview on 6/5/2025 at 2:02 PM the Wound Care NP stated when she made a recommendation, the report was sent via e-mail to the Director of Nursing (DON). The DON then printed the report and gave a copy to the facility's treatment nurse. The facility's treatment nurse was then responsible for obtaining a facility provider's order for the recommendation.</p> <p>On 6/5/2025 at 3:18 PM an interview with the DON indicated after each visit, the Wound Care NP e-mailed her a report. She stated this report did not include the Wound Care NP's recommendations. The DON reported these recommendations were provided to the Treatment Nurse at the time of visit with each resident. She went on to say the Wound Care NP would verbally communicate her recommendations to the DON before the Wound Care NP exited the building. The DON stated she was not aware of the recommendation for a soft protection boot for Resident #62's left heel. She reported that if this wasn't part of the conversation she had with the Wound Care NP when she exited the building after seeing Resident #62, or on the e-mail report, then it would have gotten missed.</p> <p>On 6/5/2025 at 3:49 PM an interview with the Administrator indicated the Wound Care NP's recommendation for Resident #82 to have a soft protection boot to his left heel had gotten missed.</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 2. Resident #85 was re-admitted to the facility on [DATE] with a diagnosis of cerebral infarction (disrupted blood supply to the brain).</p> <p>A review of his admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed he was severely cognitively impaired. He had functional limitation in range of motion on both sides of his upper and lower extremities. He required substantial/maximal assistance to roll left and right in bed. Resident #85 was always incontinent of bladder. He had no falls since his re-entry to the facility.</p> <p>On 6/2/25 at 3:37 PM a review of an unsigned incident report provided by the Director of Nursing (DON) dated 10/9/24 at 7:12 PM revealed at 3:30 PM on 10/9/24 staff was assisting Resident #85 with incontinence care, Resident #85 rolled out of bed face down sustaining a small skin tear on his forehead. Resident #85's family member was at his bedside, and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) was called.</p> <p>On 6/5/25 at 3:45 PM a telephone interview with Nurse #5 indicated she responded to Nurse Aide (NA) #4's call for assistance with Resident #85 on 10/9/24. She stated when she entered Resident #85's room, he was lying on the floor on the left side of his bed which was positioned approximately 3 feet from the floor. She reported she completed vital signs and a head to toe assessment of Resident #85 and observed a small bleeding cut on his forehead. Nurse #5 went on to say Resident #85 was sent to the hospital for evaluation. She stated NA #4 reported to her that while she had been providing Resident #85 with incontinence care, he fell off the bed. Nurse #5 reported she did not recall receiving any in-service education after this incident regarding ensuring residents were positioned in the center of the bed and turning residents towards yourself rather than away from yourself when providing care.</p> <p>Multiple attempts at telephone interview with NA #4 were unsuccessful. NA #4 no longer worked at the facility.</p> <p>A review of Resident #85's hospital record for his admission to the hospital on [DATE] revealed in part Resident #85 presented to the emergency room at approximately 3:30 PM on 10/9/24 after falling face down while being turned at the facility. He had a small cut on his forehead. Diagnostic imaging studies of his head, spine, wrists, hands and knees did not reveal any abnormalities. Resident #85 returned to the facility on [DATE].</p> <p>On 6/2/25 at 3:37 PM an interview with Resident #85's family member indicated there was an instance within the last year where Resident #85 fell out of bed when someone was turning him. She stated she was outside his room at the time, and while she did not witness the incident, she saw Resident #85 on the floor in front of his bed after he fell. She reported he was not complaining of any pain, but he had a small cut on his forehead from his glasses, and she asked that he be sent to the hospital. She indicated she was not aware of any other injuries from the incident.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>On 6/4/25 at 9:07 AM an interview with the Director (DON) indicated she was not the DON at the time of Resident #85's fall from bed during care on 10/9/25. She stated Nurse #6, who no longer worked at the facility, was the DON at the time of the fall. She went on to say there was an incident report regarding the fall, but she did not have an investigation file for the incident.</p> <p>A review of a Post Fall Investigation report dated 10/12/24 at 5:51 PM completed by Nurse #6 revealed in part Resident #85 had a fall in his room on 10/9/24. There was no additional information related to what steps were taken to investigate this fall.</p> <p>On 6/4/25 at 10:51 AM a telephone interview with Administrator #2 indicated he was the facility's Administrator on 10/9/24. He stated he did not recall Resident #85 having a fall from bed during care. He reported this would have been a serious incident, and an investigation would have been done. Administrator #2 stated residents should not fall out of bed when staff were providing care to them.</p> <p>On 6/4/25 at 2:27 PM a telephone interview with Nurse #6 indicated she had been the DON at the facility on 10/9/24 when Resident #85 fell out of bed during care. She stated an investigation had been conducted but she did not know where the investigation file would be. She reported the investigation revealed NA #4 had been providing Resident #85 with incontinence care by herself, did not have Resident #85 positioned in the middle of the bed, and turned Resident #85 away from herself during the care. Nurse #6 stated Resident #85 had rolled off the left side of his bed face first onto the floor. She went on to say Resident #85 sustained a small cut to his forehead and had been sent to the hospital for evaluation.</p> <p>On 6/5/25 at 3:34 PM a telephone interview with the Medical Director indicated she was Resident #85's facility physician. She stated all residents should receive care in a safe manner and Resident #85 should not have experienced a fall from bed during the provision of care.</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 11:33 AM an interview with the Administrator indicated she was not the Administrator on 10/9/24. She stated she had looked, but did not have an investigation file for Resident #85's fall incident on that date. She reported residents should receive care in a safe manner and should not experience a fall from bed during the provision of care.</p> <p>Based on observation, record review, and interviews with family, staff, physician, Nurse Practitioner (NP), Medical Director, and the Director of Rehabilitation, the facility failed to prevent a resident with severe cognitive impairment and exit seeking behaviors from exiting the facility without supervision. On Saturday, 5/31/25, the Receptionist observed an elderly male (Resident #76) exit the facility behind a male resident who was discharging from the facility and a female family member who was moving that resident out. She did not recognize the elderly male as Resident #76, and she believed he was part of the discharging resident's family. Later that morning, as Nurse Aide (NA) #1 was driving in the community, she saw an individual who she thought looked like a resident walking without staff accompaniment approximately 0.7 miles away from the facility. She contacted the facility by phone, provided a description of the resident and staff who were working realized Resident #76 was missing. There was a high likelihood of serious harm, injury, or death for Resident #76 as the area he traversed included a well-travelled State Highway immediately outside of the facility's parking lot and multiple intersecting roads including a 4-lane intersection that was a major thoroughfare through the city. In addition, the facility failed to provide care in a safe manner when Resident #85 rolled out of bed during care and sustained a small cut to his forehead. These deficient practices affected 2 of 6 residents reviewed for accidents (Resident #76 and Resident #85).</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>An interview with the DON was held on 6/3/25 at 4:30 PM, she revealed she did not recall Resident #76 exhibiting exit seeking behavior, but she felt he was only upset on 5/30/25. She stated Resident #27 said, I don't want to go to the pea patch. The DON then went with Nurse #1 to take the resident to his room. She added that she did not ask Nurse #1 to call the family as the facility provided one-to-one service if needed.</p> <p>A telephone interview with Nurse Aide (NA) #1 was conducted on 6/3/25 at 3:20 PM. She revealed on 5/31/25 she had left the facility via her car during her break and while she was enroute back to the facility she saw whom she thought might be a resident walking on the sidewalk towards a fast-food restaurant. She called the facility at 9:11 AM and spoke with the Receptionist to let her know his location and described the clothes he was wearing. She indicated at that point the Receptionist identified the resident as Resident #76. Nurse Aide #1 then turned the car around and sat with Resident #76 until Nurse #2 and the Receptionist arrived to pick him up. Resident #76 was wearing black pants, a purple T-shirt and tennis shoes. He was kneeling on one knee when she saw him. Nurse Aide #1 stated he appeared very tired but not overheated. He was easily redirected into the Receptionist's car.</p> <p>A telephone interview was conducted with the Receptionist on 6/3/25 at 3:30 PM. She indicated that prior to working as the Receptionist, she was an NA at the facility. She revealed there were several discharges at the facility on 5/31/25, the date Resident #76 exited the facility without staff supervision. A male resident was moving out with the assistance of a female family member. The Receptionist stated she observed the male resident and the female family member exiting the facility with an elderly male behind them and did not realize that this elderly male was a resident at the facility. She explained she thought Resident #76 was part of that resident's family. The resident was wearing black pants and a purple t-shirt and walked out behind the family members of the discharged resident. The Receptionist reported that she could not recall what time this happened. The Receptionist stated she went to get Resident #76 with Nurse #2 after NA #1 contacted the facility and the resident seemed very tired but not overheated. She stated Resident #76 was severely cognitively impaired and the road he was walking on was a highly traveled main thoroughfare from downtown Greenville, NC to Falkland, NC. The door that Resident #76 used to exit was the front entrance door to the building which was unlocked every morning at 8:00 AM until 8:00 PM. She added that the facility did not utilize a wander guard system.</p> <p>Follow-up interviews with the Receptionist on 6/4/25 at 10:20 AM and 6/11/25 at 9:30 AM indicated the admission Nurse would verbally tell the receptionists if there was a resident that they should be on the lookout for exit seeking behaviors. She revealed there was no photo book at the reception desk to identify residents at risk for elopement.</p> <p>The nursing note dated 5/31/25 at 9:15 AM written by Nurse #2 revealed Resident #76 was off the premises of the facility and was returned to the facility with no injuries.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During a follow up interview with the Medical Director on 6/11/25 at 9:05 AM she revealed the Nurse Practitioner was more familiar Resident #76 and indicated she would be able to provide further resident specific information.</p> <p>An interview with the NP on 6/11/25 at 9:10 AM revealed Resident #76 had dementia. She indicated she could not say whether or not Resident #76 was safe to be outside of the facility without supervision, but she did say it was concerning. She stated the roads in the area were dangerous. She reported there was not any medical reason that would have triggered the new exit seeking behavior for Resident #76.</p> <p>In follow-up interviews with the Director of Nursing on 6/4/25 at 2:30 PM and 6/11/25 at 10:30 AM she indicated there was a receptionist at the front desk daily Monday through Sunday from 8:00 AM until 8:00 PM. She reported that the facility did not utilize a wander guard system. She stated prior to 5/30/25, there was no system in place to identify residents that were unsafe to exit the facility unsupervised. She revealed there should have been a picture of anyone with a high risk of elopement at the reception desk to prevent a resident at risk from going outside without supervision. She stated she felt the road Resident #76 traversed would not be a safe walk for someone with cognitive issues. She went on to say it was a well-traveled road with a high volume of vehicles daily.</p> <p>An interview with the Administrator on 6/4/25 at 4:25 PM revealed there should have been a sign on the door asking families to check with a nurse prior to letting a resident out of the facility to prevent residents from exiting the building. She went on to say a photo book should have been created to let the staff know any resident at risk for elopement. These books should have been at all 3 nurses' stations and at the reception desk.</p> <p>During a follow-up telephone interview with the Administrator on 6/11/25 at 10:51 AM she stated there were not any residents at risk of elopement prior to Resident #76's elopement on 5/31/25, therefore there was not a system in place to identify residents at risk. She revealed she felt the road Residents #76 was walking on was dangerous and that it was well traveled road with a high volume of vehicles daily.</p> <p>The facility provided a corrective action plan that was not acceptable to the State Agency as it did not address the issue of the Receptionist not being able to distinguish between residents and visitors and not being aware of what residents were safe to be outside without supervision. It additionally did not address how the facility would ensure staff were aware of residents who were at risk for wandering and exit seeking.</p> <p>On 6/4/25 at 8:40 AM the Administrator was notified of immediate jeopardy.</p> <p>The facility provided the following Immediate Jeopardy removal plan:</p> <p>Identify those recipients who have suffered, or are likely to suffer, a serious adverse outcome because of the non-compliance:</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #76 was admitted on [DATE] with a diagnosis of muscle wasting, muscle weakness, dysphagia, anxiety disorder, abnormalities of gait and mobility and unspecified dementia. On 4/28/2025, an initial elopement assessment was completed by the Unit Manager that resulted in the resident being at low risk for elopement (referring to the act of an older adult leaving a safe environment without supervision). On 5/30/2025, a progress note written by the hall nurse identified Resident #76 as exit seeking. He was given a snack and drink, and he returned to his room to watch TV with his roommate. The hall nurse notified the Director of Nursing. He had no further behavior throughout the shift. At approximately 9:00 a.m. on 5/31/2025, Resident #76 was identified by a staff member driving by and thought she recognized the resident walking on the sidewalk about 0.7 miles from the facility. The resident at that time had not been reported as missing. The staff member that spotted him kept him in eyesight and stayed with him and called the facility. She spoke with the Receptionist and together they realized he was resident at the facility. The Receptionist alerted the nurse and together they immediately went and brought Resident #76 back to the facility. The Receptionist is a certified nursing assistant, however, has not worked as one in this facility since 5/19/2022 and was unfamiliar with the newer residents. The Receptionist observed Resident #76 exit the facility with other individuals who were visiting the facility, but she did not identify that he was a resident and therefore did not stop the resident from exiting. A full skin assessment was performed by the hall nurse on 5/31/2025 with no negative findings. The Responsible Party (RP) and physician were notified by the hall nurse, and new orders were obtained for urinalysis and a psychiatry consultation. The urinalysis resulted negative on 5/31/2025. The psychiatry visit was completed on 6/2/2025 with no new orders. Resident #76 was placed on one-on-one supervision until further notice while the social worker / discharge planner work with the family members to find a memory care unit.</p> <p>On 5/31/2025 the Administrator met with the Assistant Director of nursing, floor nurse and Receptionist and determined staff did not intervene with the resident's exit seeking behavior, nursing staff did not follow up on exit seeking behaviors the night prior to the elopement, and there was no wandering book at the front desk or nursing stations with residents with exit seeking behaviors pictures.</p> <p>The floor nurses completed a 100% head count of all residents; all were present and accounted for.</p> <p>On 5/31/2025, the Director of Nursing (DON) initiated an audit of resident progress notes to include Resident #76 for the past 14 days. The audit was completed with no other residents' issues identified. On 5/31/2025, the Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) completed an audit of all wandering assessments to ensure assessments were completed accurately and to ensure all residents who triggered as at risk were care planned for wandering risk. No other residents were identified.</p> <p>Specify the action the entity will take to alter the process or system failure to prevent a serious adverse outcome from occurring or recurring, and when the action will be complete:</p> <p>On 5/31/2025, the Administrator & ADON initiated an in-service with all nurses regarding initiating an intervention if residents are exhibiting wandering behaviors or statements about seeking exit and notify the DON/ADON.</p> <p>On 5/31/2025 an in-service was also initiated by the ADON & Administrator with all staff, including agency staff, regarding not assisting any person known or unknown outside of the facility without checking with nursing staff to ensure the resident is safe to be outside unsupervised.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0695</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide safe and appropriate respiratory care for a resident when needed.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, record review, and staff and Nurse Practitioner interviews, the facility failed to ensure infection control standards were followed when Nurse #8 did not remove soiled gloves, perform hand hygiene, and don sterile gloves during tracheostomy (a surgically created opening in the windpipe through the neck to provide an airway for breathing) care for a resident and also failed to change the tracheostomy ties per the Physician's order (Resident #33). In addition, the facility failed to obtain a Physician's order for the use of a Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) machine for one resident (Resident #63). This deficient practice affected 2 of 2 residents reviewed for respiratory care (Resident #33 and Resident #63).</p> <p>The findings included:</p> <p>1. Resident #33 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included tracheostomy status.</p> <p>The quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed Resident #33 was severely cognitively impaired and was coded as receiving tracheostomy care.</p> <p>Resident #33's current comprehensive care plan dated 8/22/24 revealed a problem of being at risk for complications secondary to tracheostomy. Interventions included tracheostomy care per physician orders.</p> <p>a.) An observation of tracheostomy care was conducted with Nurse #8 on 6/4/25 at 10:51 AM. Nurse #8 washed her hands with soap and water, set up the tracheostomy care supplies on the bedside table. She then opened the container that held sterile supplies and donned sterile gloves. Nurse #8 then opened the sterile drape, placed it on the resident's chest and set the new sterile split sponge on the drape. She proceeded to remove the soiled split sponge from behind the phalange of the tracheostomy cannula with her left hand, then removed the soiled inner cannula from the tracheostomy with both hands by holding the phalange in place with her left hand and removing the inner cannula with her right. She then opened the sterile inner cannula and placed it in the tracheostomy using both hands. Nurse #8 poured sterile water in a sterile cup, opened a sterile cotton swab, dipped it in the sterile water and cleaned around the outside of the tracheostomy with it. Next, Nurse #8 wet a sterile gauze with the sterile water, squeezed out the excess water with her right hand, cleaned around the tracheostomy with her right hand and dried it with a dry sterile gauze with her right hand and then placed sterile split sponge behind tracheostomy phalange with both hands.</p> <p>In an interview with Nurse #8 on 6/4/25 at 11:05 AM she stated she was an agency Nurse, and this was her second day at the facility. She indicated she was trained in infection control practices and tracheostomy care before being allowed to work at the facility. Nurse #8 further stated she did not remove her soiled gloves, perform hand hygiene and don sterile gloves during tracheostomy care because she was nervous and forgot.</p> <p>In an interview with the Infection Preventionist on 6/4/25 at 11:09 AM, she stated Nurse #8 should have removed her soiled gloves, washed her hands with soap and water, then donned new sterile gloves before touching the sterile items needed for tracheostomy care.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0695</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The Director of Nursing (DON) was interviewed on 6/4/25 at 11:15 AM. The DON stated Nurse #8 should have removed the soiled gloves, washed her hands with soap and water and donned sterile gloves before moving on to the sterile part of tracheostomy care. This was to prevent introducing disease causing bacteria into the respiratory tract of the resident via his tracheostomy.</p> <p>The Administrator was interviewed on 6/4/25 at 11:19 AM. She indicated that in order to prevent bacteria from entering the tracheostomy, Nurse #8 should have removed her soiled gloves, washed her hands with soap and water, then donned sterile gloves to complete the tracheostomy care.</p> <p>On 6/5/25 at 3:12 PM, the Nurse Practitioner (NP) was interviewed. She stated proper infection control practices such as hand hygiene between dirty and sterile procedure is important to cut down on the chance of bacteria getting into the resident's lungs through the tracheostomy and causing illness. The NP indicated Nurse #8 should have removed the soiled gloves, washed her hands with soap and water, then donned new sterile gloves.</p> <p>b.) Resident #33's physician orders an order tracheostomy ties daily written on 6/3/25.</p> <p>An observation of tracheostomy care and interview was conducted with Nurse #8 on 6/4/25 at 10:51 AM. During tracheostomy care, which included replacing the used inner cannula with a new one, changing a used split gauze for a new one, and cleaning around the tracheostomy site, Nurse #8 did not change Resident #33's tracheostomy ties. The ties appeared to have a dried yellow substance near the tracheostomy site. Nurse #8 removed her gown and gloves, performed hand hygiene and exited the resident's room. During the interview Nurse #8 stated she forgot to change the tracheostomy ties when doing tracheostomy care.</p> <p>In an interview with the Director of Nursing (DON) on 6/5/25 at 11:15 AM she stated Resident #33 had been a resident at the facility for several years. The DON indicated she expected Nurse #8 to have followed the physicians order to change the tracheostomy ties.</p> <p>An interview was conducted with the Administrator on 6/5/25 at 3:40 PM. The Administrator indicated she expected that Nurse #8 would have followed the physicians order to change the tracheostomy ties.</p> <p>2. Resident #63 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included urinary tract infection, diabetes mellitus II and muscle wasting. There was no diagnosis for sleep apnea (interruptions in breathing while asleep requiring the use of a CPAP machine.)</p> <p>The hospital Discharge summary dated [DATE] for Resident #63 revealed documentation that the resident brought her CPAP machine to the hospital from home, used it nightly, and was encouraged to take it to the facility with her at discharge.</p> <p>An interview with the Admissions Nurse was conducted on 6/5/25 at 2:03 PM. She stated she did the admission nursing assessments for Resident #63. She indicated she was unaware the resident had a CPAP machine as she did not see the documentation in the hospital discharge summary.</p> <p>The admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed Resident #63 was cognitively intact. The MDS was not coded for the use of a CPAP machine.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0695</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #63's Physician's orders for the months of March, April, May and June 2025 revealed there was no order written for use of the CPAP machine.</p> <p>An observation and interview were conducted on 6/2/25 at 1:15 PM in Resident #63's room. The resident had a CPAP machine next to her bed, and she stated she brought it with her from the hospital when she was admitted to the facility. Resident #63 further stated it was her personal CPAP machine that she had brought to the hospital before coming to the facility. Resident #63 indicated she used it every night for sleep apnea (a condition where a person has breathing interruptions in their sleep).</p> <p>In an interview with Nurse Aide (NA) #1 on 6/5/25 at 1:59 PM she stated Resident #63 used the CPAP machine nightly and that she brought it with her when she was admitted . She indicated she was familiar with Resident #63 and would see her wearing her CPAP mask when the NA arrived each morning.</p> <p>In an interview with Unit Manager (UM) #1 on 6/5/25 at 1:59 PM she stated Resident #63 used the CPAP machine nightly and she brought it with her when she was admitted . UM#1 reviewed Resident #63's physicians orders and stated there was no order for use of the CPAP machine. UM #1 indicated that use of a CPAP machine should have a physician's order.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/3/25 at 3:07 PM she stated Resident #63 should have had orders for use of the CPAP machine.</p>		

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<p>F 0700</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Try different approaches before using a bed rail. If a bed rail is needed, the facility must (1) assess a resident for safety risk; (2) review these risks and benefits with the resident/representative; (3) get informed consent; and (4) Correctly install and maintain the bed rail.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, record review and staff interviews the facility failed to attempt alternative interventions, assess for entrapment risk, review the risks and benefits of the use of side rails, and/or obtain consent from the resident or resident representative prior to installing bilateral quarter length side rails (Resident #94 and Resident #172). In addition, the facility failed to attempt alternative interventions prior to installing bilateral quarter length side rails (Resident #63). This deficient practice affected 3 of 3 residents reviewed for side rails (Resident #94, Resident #172, and Resident #63).</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>1. Resident #94 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included dementia, arthritis and heart failure.</p> <p>Resident #94's Minimum Data Set (MDS) revealed she required partial to moderate assistant with bed mobility and that she had impairment to both lower extremities. The MDS indicated Resident #94 was moderately cognitively impaired.</p> <p>Resident #94's comprehensive care plan dated 11/3/24 revealed she did not have a care plan that included the use of side rails.</p> <p>Resident #94's bed side rail tool, dated 1/23/25 and completed by the admission Nurse, indicated the resident did not use side rails, risks versus benefits and consent were not completed, and there was no assessment for entrapment risk. The bed side rail tool revealed no alternative interventions were tried before the installation and use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p> <p>An interview with the admission Nurse was conducted on 6/5/25 at 2:03 PM. She stated she did the admission side rail assessment for Resident #94. The admission Nurse reviewed the assessment during the interview and revealed it was marked that the resident did not use bilateral quarter length side rails which she confirmed was not correct. The admission Nurse indicated she could not remember if the side rails were on the bed at the time of her assessment. The admission Nurse further stated review of risks and benefits, consent, and entrapment risk would not have been completed unless Resident #39 was approved for use of bilateral quarter length side rails. She was unsure why she had marked Resident #39 as not using side rails and was unaware alternative interventions needed to be tried and documented before the installation and use of side rails.</p> <p>An observation was conducted on 6/3/25 at 12:43 PM in Resident #94's room. The resident was lying in bed with bilateral quarter length side rails in the raised position.</p> <p>In an interview with Resident #94 on 6/3/25 at 12:43 PM, she stated she had always had the side rails on her bed and she used them to assist staff to help her roll over or to sit on the side of the bed.</p> <p>In an interview with the Director of Nursing (DON) on 6/3/25 at 2:22 PM she reviewed Resident #94's bed side rail tool assessment and stated that it indicated she did not use side rails.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0700</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A follow-up observation and interview was conducted with the DON on 6/3/25 at 2:31 PM. Resident #94 was lying in bed with bilateral quarter length side rails in the raised position. The DON stated Resident #94's bed side rail tool should have indicated she did use side rails, an entrapment risk evaluation should have been completed, risks vs benefits should have been reviewed, and consent should have been received. She further stated she was unaware alternative interventions needed to be tried and documented before the installation and use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/3/25 at 3:07 PM, she stated Residents #94 should have had an accurate bed side rail tool to include the use of bilateral quarter length side rails. The Administrator further stated she was unaware alternative interventions to bilateral quarter length side rails needed to be tried and documented before the installation and use of side rails.</p> <p>2. Resident #172 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included acquired loss of left leg below the knee.</p> <p>Resident #172's admission nursing assessment dated [DATE] indicated he was cognitively intact.</p> <p>Resident #172's Minimum Data Set (MDS) was not available.</p> <p>Resident #172's bed side rail tool dated 5/29/25 and completed by the admission Nurse indicated the resident did not use side rails, entrapment risk was not evaluated, risks and benefits were not discussed and consent was not obtained from the resident or his responsible party. The bed side rail tool did not have alternative interventions listed before the installation and use of the side rails.</p> <p>An interview with the Admissions Nurse was conducted on 6/3/25 at 2:07 PM. She stated she did the admission side rail assessment for Resident #172. The admission Nurse reviewed the assessment during the interview and revealed it was marked that the resident did not use bilateral quarter length side rails which she confirmed was not correct. The admission Nurse indicated she could not remember if the side rails were on the bed at the time of her assessment. The admission Nurse further stated review of risks and benefits, consent, and entrapment risk would not have been completed unless Resident #172 was approved for use of bilateral quarter length side rails. She was unsure why she had marked Resident #172 as not using side rails and was unaware alternative interventions needed to be tried and documented before the installation and use of side rails.</p> <p>An observation was conducted on 6/2/25 at 11:30 AM in Resident #172's room. The resident was sitting on the side of his bed with bilateral quarter length side rails in the raised position.</p> <p>In an interview with Resident #172 on 6/2/25 at 11:30 AM he stated the side rails had been on the bed since his admission.</p> <p>In an interview with the Director of Nursing (DON) on 6/3/25 at 2:15 PM she reviewed Resident #172's bed side rail tool assessment and stated that it indicated he did not use side rails.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0700</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A follow-up observation and interview was conducted with the DON on 6/3/25 at 2:29 PM. Resident #172 was sitting on the side of the bed with bilateral quarter length side rails in the raised position. The DON stated Resident #172's bed side rail tool should have indicated he did use side rails, an entrapment risk evaluation should have been completed, risks vs benefits should have been reviewed, and consent should have been received. She further stated she was unaware alternative interventions needed to be tried and documented before the installation and use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/3/25 at 3:07 PM, she stated Resident #172 should have had an accurate bed side rail tool completed to include the use of bilateral quarter length side rails. The Administrator further stated she was unaware alternative interventions to bilateral quarter length side rails needed to be tried and documented before the installation and use of side rails.</p> <p>3. Resident #63 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included urinary tract infection, diabetes mellitus II and muscle wasting.</p> <p>Resident #63's admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed she was cognitively intact and required partial/moderate assistance with bed mobility. The MDS further revealed she had impairment of both upper and lower bilateral extremities.</p> <p>Resident #63's bed side rail tool dated 3/20/25 and completed by the admission Nurse did not include documentation regarding the use of alternative interventions before the installation of side rails.</p> <p>The updated care plan for Resident #63 dated 4/2/25 included a focus of short term care: the resident requires assistance with activities of daily living (ADL). The goal was for the resident to improve their ADL functionality through the next review. Interventions included half length bed side rails.</p> <p>An interview with the admission Nurse was conducted on 6/5/25 at 2:03 PM. She stated she completed the bed side rail tool for Resident #63. She indicated she was unaware alternative interventions needed to be tried and documented prior to the installation and use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p> <p>An observation of Resident #63 was conducted on 6/2/25 at 10:50 AM. The resident was lying in bed with bilateral quarter side rails in the raised position.</p> <p>A follow up observation and interview was conducted with Resident #63 on 6/3/25 at 1:25 PM. The resident was lying in bed with bilateral quarter side rails in the raised position. Resident #63 indicated she used the side rails to assist her when rolling over or repositioning in bed and they had been in place since her admission.</p> <p>In an interview with the Administrator on 6/3/25 at 3:07 PM she stated she was unaware alternative interventions were required to be tried and documented before the installation and use of bilateral quarter length side rails.</p>		

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<p>F 0842</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Safeguard resident-identifiable information and/or maintain medical records on each resident that are in accordance with accepted professional standards.</p> <p>Based on record review and staff interviews, the facility failed to document the completion of wound treatments provided to a resident. This was for 1 of 3 residents (Resident #85) reviewed for pressure ulcers.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>A review of Resident #85's physician's orders revealed an order dated 6/5/25 with an order start date of 6/5/25 at 7:00 AM indicated to cleanse Resident #85's posterior (further back position) scrotal (a muscular skin covered sack in front of the pelvis covering the testicles) skin tear with soap and water, pat dry, apply collagen particles (a protein that provides support and strength to skin) covered by a thin layer of zinc oxide paste (a medicated cream), and apply bordered gauze (an absorptive dressing) daily and as needed. An additional physician's order dated 6/5/25 with an order start date of 6/5/25 at 12:00 PM indicated to cleanse his right groin (the area where the thigh and abdomen meet) abrasion (a superficial injury to the skin) with wound cleanser, apply calcium alginate with silver (an antimicrobial dressing) and leave open to air three times daily and as needed.</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 11:00 AM a review of Resident #85's medical record and June 2025 Treatment Administration Record (TAR) did not reveal any documentation indicating that his right groin abrasion or scrotal skin tear wound treatments had been completed on 6/5/25.</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 11:21 AM an interview with the Wound Care Nurse indicated she completed all Resident #85's right groin abrasion and posterior scrotal skin tear treatments on 6/5/25 as ordered by his physician. She stated she could not say why she had not documented the completion of these treatments in Resident #85's medical record or on Resident #85's TAR for that date, but she should have.</p> <p>In an interview on 6/6/25 at 11:30 AM the Director of Nursing (DON) stated Resident #85's medical record should accurately reflect the wound treatments provided to him by the Wound Care Nurse on 6/5/25.</p> <p>On 6/6/25 at 11:33 AM an interview with the Administrator indicated the Wound Care Nurse should have documented the wound treatments she provided to Resident #85 on 6/5/25 to ensure his medical record was complete and accurate.</p>		

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<p>F 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program.</p> <p>Based on observation, record review, and staff and Nurse Practitioner(NP) interviews, the facility failed to ensure infection control standards were followed when Nurse #3 dropped a residents medication on the top of the medication cart, picked it up with her bare fingers, placed it in the medication cup and gave the medications to the resident. This was for 1 of 11 staff members reviewed for infection control practices (Nurse #3).</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>An observation was conducted on 6/4/25 at 8:35 AM during medication pass. Nurse #3 was preparing several medications for a resident when she popped a pill out of the back of the bubble pack and it missed the medication cup and landed on the top of the medication cart. Nurse #3 picked the pill up off the medication cart with her bare fingers and placed it in the medication cup. She stated Ooops, I probably shouldn't have done that. Oh well. Nurse #3 then gave the medications to the resident. She had last performed hand hygiene before starting to prepare the medications for this resident. She had touched 5 bottles of stock medications, 3 bubble pack cards and the drawer handles of the cart while preparing the medications for this resident. She was not observed to clean the top of the medication cart at any time during the medication pass observation.</p> <p>In an interview with Nurse #3 on 6/4/25 at 8:45 AM she stated she knew she should have thrown the pill away after it touched the top of the medication cart and she touched it with her bare hands as that would have been proper infection control procedure. She further stated she didn't know why she continued to put it in the cup and give it to the resident.</p> <p>During an interview with the Infection Preventionist on 6/4/25 at 11:45 AM, she stated Nurse #3 should have thrown the pill away after picking it up from the top of the medication cart with her bare hands. She revealed both the medication cart and her hands could have transmitted a disease causing organism to the resident.</p> <p>On 6/5/25 at 3:12 PM, the NP was interviewed. She stated Nurse #3 should have thrown the pill away after it touched the top of the medication cart and she picked it up with her bare hands. The NP revealed that people's hands are the number one way bacteria and viruses are passed from person to person, either from the person themselves or after touching a contaminated surface such as the top of the medication cart.</p> <p>In an interview with the Director of Nursing on 6/4/25 at 11:50 AM she stated Nurse #3 should have thrown the pill away after it touched the top of the medication cart. She further stated that Nurse #3's hands, or the top of the medication cart, could have been contaminated and that could have been passed to the resident via the pill.</p> <p>An interview with the Administrator and the Director of Clinical Services was conducted on 6/4/25 at 11:55 AM. The Director of Clinical Services stated they did not have a policy directly related to the deficiency of touching a pill with bare hands that had been on top of the medication cart and then giving it to a resident. The Administrator indicated that it would be common nursing practice to throw the pill away and get a clean one for the resident, and that is what she would have expected Nurse #3 to have done.</p>		