

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  345226	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  01/10/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Peak Resources-Outer Banks		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  430 West Health Center Drive Nags Head, NC 27959	

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<p>F 0602</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Protect each resident from the wrongful use of the resident's belongings or money.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 13030</b></p> <p>Based on record review, staff, family, and resident interviews, the facility failed to protect a resident's bank card from being accessed and used without resident permission for 1 (Resident #3) of 2 residents reviewed for misappropriation of resident property. Findings included:</p> <p>Resident #3 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with multiple diagnoses some of which included chronic congestive heart failure and diabetes.</p> <p>Documentation on a quarterly Minimum Data Set assessment dated [DATE] revealed Resident #3 was cognitively intact.</p> <p>Resident #3 was interviewed on 1/09/2025 at 8:45 AM and revealed the following information. A nurse aide (NA #2) had taken his bank card and used it at a local gas station in May 2024. The amount of money taken was approximately 30 to 35 dollars. The nurse aide was charged with theft, and the district attorney took the matter to court. The nurse aide no longer worked at the facility. Resident #3 indicated more information regarding the event could be obtained from his daughter, who was his power of attorney.</p> <p>The daughter of Resident #3 was interviewed on 1/09/2025 at 3:20 PM. The daughter explained the following events, detailing how she discovered Resident #3's missing bank card. The daughter stated she had her name on the bank account for Resident #3 and she handled his finances for him. The daughter of Resident #3 was alerted by the bank of two suspicious transactions on 5/29/2024, so she called Resident #3 to inquire if he used the bank card on those occasions. Resident #3 revealed to his daughter the bank card that he kept with his phone was missing. The daughter stated she immediately canceled the bank card and alerted the bank to the fraudulent charges, ordering Resident #3 a new bank card.</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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