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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 345283	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/08/2025
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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</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** 37280</p> <p>Based on record reviews, and facility staff, Physician Assistant (PA) and Medical Director interviews, the facility failed to immediately notify the PA when Resident #1 had an acute change in condition after a fall. On 03/25/25 between 2:00 PM to 2:30 PM Resident #1 had an unwitnessed fall from the bed and was assessed to have no visible injuries and transferred back to bed. Resident #1 was prescribed an anticoagulant medication of apixaban 5 milligrams (mg) via gastrostomy tube twice a day for atrial fibrillation. Neurological checks were initiated. Resident #1 reported to staff that he did not hit his head. On 03/26/25 at approximately 8:30 AM Resident #1 was noted by staff to be hard to arouse, nonverbal, unresponsive, and lethargic. The PA was not notified until 4:50 PM on 03/26/25 of the acute change in condition. The PA ordered bloodwork, urinalysis with culture and sensitivity, and a chest x-ray for reports of lethargy. On 03/27/25 at 9:58 AM Resident #1's family came to the facility and found him unresponsive and called Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Resident #1 was transported to the Emergency Department (ED) and diagnosed with a huge left subdural hematoma with a midline shift (shifting of brain past its center). Resident #1 was transitioned to Hospice services and passed away on 03/31/25. This affected 1 of 3 residents reviewed for notification.</p> <p>Immediate Jeopardy began on 03/26/25 when the medical provider was not immediately notified that Resident #1 had an acute significant change in condition. Immediate Jeopardy was removed on 04/05/25 when the facility implemented an acceptable credible allegation of immediate jeopardy removal. The facility will remain out of compliance at a lower scope and severity D (isolated with no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that is not immediate jeopardy) to complete education and ensure monitoring systems put into place are effective.</p> <p>The findings included:</p> <p>Resident #1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included atrial fibrillation, history of pulmonary embolism, history of cerebral infarction with hemiplegia and traumatic brain injury.</p> <p>Review of a physician order dated 02/28/25 read; apixaban (anticoagulant) 5 milligrams (mg) via gastrostomy tube two times a day for atrial fibrillation.</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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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of Resident #1's Medication Administration Record (MAR) for 02/2025 and 03/2025 indicated the Resident had received an anticoagulant medication apixaban 5 mg via gastrostomy tube twice a day for atrial fibrillation. The MARs indicated Resident #1 received the anticoagulant as ordered since his admitted [DATE].</p> <p>An incident report dated 03/25/25 at 2:00 PM and written by Nurse #1 revealed Resident #1 was in bed after lunch when Nurse #1 was called to the Resident's room and upon arrival Resident #1 was lying on the floor next to his bed. Resident #1 stated he rolled over and he did not know what he was trying to do. A head-to-toe assessment was done, and Resident #1 was moving all extremities without any problems. The Resident complained of back pain which he does most of the time and was given some pain medication for pain. No injuries were noted, and Resident #1 was assisted back to bed using the total lift. Neurologic checks were initiated, and all vital signs were within the normal limits. Staff were to do frequent rounding and ensure correct positioning while in bed.</p> <p>During an interview with Nurse #1 on 04/02/25 at 2:40 PM the Nurse confirmed that she worked the 7:00 AM shift on 03/27/25 after his fall on 03/25/25. Nurse #1 explained that when she returned to work on 03/27/25 for the 7:00 AM shift, Nurse #3 informed her that Resident #1 was lethargic, but she did not think to ask how long he had been lethargic. Nurse #1 explained that she went to assess Resident #1, and he was sleeping and when she tried to wake him up, the Resident would not wake up and he was lethargic. She stated she reviewed his progress notes which indicated he had labs drawn and a urine sample and a chest x-ray was due to be done. Nurse #1 reported that the Unit Manager (UM) asked her how Resident #1 was doing that day and Nurse #1 informed her that he was lethargic, and the UM stated that the Resident had labs drawn the day before. Nurse #1 reported that while she was passing her morning medications the radiology technician arrived to obtain a chest x-ray. Shortly after that, Resident #1's family came to visit and informed her that Resident #1 was not acting like himself and was aware that he had a fall on 03/25/25 and stated that Resident #1 had a history of two brain bleeds. The Nurse informed the family of the labs that were ordered, and the chest x-ray had been done but the family insisted that Resident #1 be transferred to the hospital, so Nurse #1 notified the PA and was given an order to transfer Resident #1 to the hospital.</p> <p>On 04/02/25 at 12:55 PM and 04/03/25 at 10:45 AM interviews were conducted with Nurse Aide (NA) #1 who confirmed she worked from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on 03/26/25 on a different assignment, but she went to check on Resident #1 because he had fallen on 03/25/25 and found him to be lethargic and basically not responding as his usual self. The NA stated that she helped NA #2 get Resident #1 out of the bed for therapy around mid-morning and the Resident was limp like a rag doll and lethargic and that was a change in the Resident since the day before. NA #1 reported that she went and got the Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) and reported how the Resident was acting since the fall on 03/25/25 and they both put Resident #1 back in the bed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>An interview was conducted with Nurse Aide #2 on 04/03/25 at 10:15 AM who confirmed she worked from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on 03/26/25. The NA explained that she had only worked with Resident #1 one time before 03/26/25, and he was alert and conversed with her about having a daughter with her name. NA #2 reported that when she went in to care for Resident #1 on that morning (03/26/25) around breakfast, she knew immediately that he was acting differently from their previous encounter because the Resident's response was slower, and he was not conversing with her like he normally did. NA #2 continued to explain that around 10:00 AM NA #1 helped her get Resident #1 out of bed for therapy and NA #1 went to inform therapy of how Resident #1 was acting and therapy and NA #1 put the Resident back to bed. NA #2 reported that she went to notify Nurse #2 of Resident #1's condition and Nurse #2 went to his room to assess him. NA #2 explained that Resident #1 acted the same throughout the rest of the shift when she went into care for him.</p> <p>During an interview with the Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) on 04/02/25 at 11:45 AM the PTA explained that she had worked with Resident #1 since his admission, and he was able to participate in therapy. She reported that on the morning of 03/26/25 NA #1 came and got her to go to Resident #1's room because the Resident had a fall out of bed the day before (03/25/25) and they had gotten him out of bed for his therapy session, but he was not behaving like his normal behavior. The PTA stated she went into Resident #1's room and could see that he was lethargic and not responding to her as he normally did, and she and NA #1 put the Resident back to bed. The PTA explained that she reported her concern to Nurse #2 and the Nurse informed her that no one reported to her that Resident #1 had a fall. The PTA continued to explain that she periodically checked on Resident #1 throughout the rest of the shift and he barely made eye contact with the PTA. She indicated the Resident made groaning and moaning sounds while he was sleeping.</p> <p>Interviews were conducted with Nurse #3 on 04/02/25 at 9:20 PM and 04/04/25 6:55 AM. The Nurse confirmed that she worked with Resident #1 on 03/25/25 through 03/26/25 for the 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM shift and 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM for 03/26/25 through 03/27/25. Nurse #3 explained that she received in the report on 03/25/25 that Resident #1 sustained a fall from the bed and the neurologic checks were on going. Nurse #3 continued to explain that she reported off to Nurse #2 on the morning of 03/26/25 and informed the Nurse that Resident #1 had a fall and that his neurologic checks were on going and had been stable throughout the night and she documented it on the 24-hour report sheet. Nurse #3 stated when she came on duty at 7:00 PM on 03/26/25 she checked on the residents and found that Resident #1 was lethargic. Nurse #3 was then told by the UM that labs, urine and a chest x-ray had been ordered for Resident #1 and that she had to collect the urine and have it ready for the lab to pick up. The Nurse stated she obtained the urine, and the lab phlebotomist came in around 4:00 AM in the morning to obtain the Resident's labs so that just left the chest x-ray which she reported to Nurse #1 when she gave her report that morning. Nurse #3 continued to explain that Resident #1 slept all night, and she was able to perform the neurologic checks except the grips because he was sleeping. The Nurse indicated the Resident's vital signs were stable. Nurse #3 reported if it had been during the day she would have called the provider, but she knew the provider had already been informed of Resident #1's condition and his lab work was pending.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Interviews were conducted with Nurse #2 on 04/02/25 at 11:30 AM and 04/03/25 at 11:35 AM. Nurse #2 confirmed that she worked with Resident #1 on 03/26/25 from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM and it was the first time she had worked with the Resident. Nurse #2 stated between 8:00 AM and 8:30 AM a therapy staff (PTA) member informed her that Resident #1 had a fall the previous day (03/25/25) and was not acting like himself and she went to assess him. Nurse #2 stated Resident #1 would open his eyes when she called his name, but he would not respond to her. The Nurse indicated that she obtained the Resident's vital signs which were within normal limits and completed a change in condition assessment and reported the change in condition to the UM after the UM got out of a meeting which was around 10:30 AM and the UM informed Nurse #2 that she would call the PA. The Nurse explained that they received orders for some blood work, urine and a chest x-ray. When Nurse #2 was asked why she did not call the PA herself the Nurse indicated that she was not familiar with Resident and wanted to report the Resident's condition to her Unit Manager.</p> <p>A review of a Change in Condition Assessment completed by Nurse #2 on 03/26/25 at 2:35 PM revealed Resident #1 was drowsy, lethargic and very less responsive. Blood Pressure 115/62, Pulse 64, Respirations 18 and Temperature 97.7 via forehead and recent oxygenation 95%. Decreased level of consciousness (sleepy, lethargic). The assessment indicated the PA, and the responsible party were notified.</p> <p>A review of Resident #1's physician orders on 03/26/25 written around 5:40 PM indicated orders for a Complete Blood Count with Differential (CBC/Diff) in AM, Urine for Urinalysis and Culture and Sensitivity (UA/C&S) if indicated and a Chest X-Ray (CXR) for cough were obtained. The orders were written by the Unit Manager.</p> <p>Interviews were conducted with the Unit Manager on 04/02/25 at 5:00 PM and 04/03/25 at 10:45 AM. The UM explained that she was notified of Resident #1's fall by Nurse #1 on 03/25/25 shortly after the fall happened and was told that the Resident did not sustain any injuries from the fall. The UM continued to explain that the next day on 03/26/25 at approximately 4:30 PM after she got out of the Risk Management meeting, Nurse #2 informed her that Resident #1 had a change in condition and was lethargic and she was going to document a change in condition and call the responsible party. The UM stated that she stepped into Resident #1's room and laid eyes on him but the Resident did not appear to her to be lethargic. She indicated that she did not complete an assessment on Resident #1. The UM continued to explain that since she had to call the PA about other residents, she decided to call the PA at that time and reported that Resident #1 had a change in condition and was lethargic. The UM stated she received orders for lab work, urine for culture and sensitivity and a chest x-ray which she put in the computer. The UM reported that Nurse #3 was to collect the urine, and the phlebotomist was to obtain the blood when they made their next round to the facility. The UM indicated Resident #1's vital signs were stable, and they were trying to rule out infection.</p> <p>Review of a progress note made by Nurse #1 on 03/27/25 at 10:52 AM indicated Resident #1 continued to appear lethargic, family at the facility at the time, requested Resident #1 to be sent out to ED for more evaluation. The PA was notified, and an order was received. Resident #1 left with EMS at around 10:19 AM. Vital Signs: 133/94, T97.3, R18, P112, O2 saturation 97% on room air.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>A review of Resident #1's hospital records dated 03/27/25 revealed Resident #1 arrived at the ED with a history of intracranial hemorrhage, altered mental status and subdural hematoma. The Resident received apixaban 5 mg twice a day. Resident #1's vital signs rose to 212/108, 124, 40 but remained negative for fever. The Glasco Coma Scale (GCS) (a neurological assessment tool used to measure a person's level of consciousness especially in traumatic brain injury) was a 3 meaning the lowest possible level of consciousness and is usually associated with the deep coma or death meaning the person is wholly unresponsive. The computed tomography (CT) results of the brain revealed a huge left subdural hematoma measuring 15.1 centimeters (cm) in length, thickness of 3.4 cm and height of 9.7 cm. This results in severe compression of the left hemisphere with 1.5 cm midline shift. There is developing right side hydrocephalus (a buildup of fluid deep within the cavities of the brain). The report indicated the Resident's family was consulted on his condition and because of his condition the family opted to provide comfort measures only and to consult Hospice services.</p> <p>Interviews were conducted with the Physician Assistant on 04/02/25 at 2:15 PM and 04/03/25 at 12:45 PM. The PA explained that she was at the facility on 03/25/25 and was informed that the Resident sustained a fall and assessed Resident #1 late that same night. The PA reported that the UM called her the next day on 03/26/25 around 4:50 PM when the Resident had a change in condition. When the PA was asked if she was notified that Resident #1 was lethargic, the PA stated she could not remember the exact verbiage that the UM used in describing the Resident's change in condition, but she felt that she needed to obtain labs, urine and a chest x-ray to diagnose the issue. The PA reported that the next morning on 03/27/25 she was notified by Nurse #1 that Resident #1's family was at the facility and wanted him sent to the hospital and she gave the Nurse an order to send Resident #1 out to the hospital.</p> <p>During an interview was conducted with the Director of Nursing (DON) on 04/03/25 at 2:40 PM. The DON explained that she was aware that Resident #1 had a fall on 03/25/25 and that he had no injuries from the fall. The DON stated that she did not know that Resident #1 had a change in condition on the morning of 03/26/25 and indicated that when the change in condition occurred the PA should have been notified at that time.</p> <p>An interview was conducted with the Medical Director on 04/04/25 at 4:15 PM. The Medical Director stated that he was notified of Resident #1's situation by the PA and was aware of the events that led to the Resident being sent to the hospital. The Medical Director stated that given Resident #1's complex medical history, the facility should have notified the PA as soon as they noticed a change in the Resident's condition and sent Resident #1 to the hospital. He indicated that the outcome might not have changed but the facility should have sent him out.</p> <p>The Administrator was notified of Immediate Jeopardy on 04/03/25 at 4:40 PM.</p> <p>The facility implemented the following Credible Allegation of Immediate Jeopardy removal.</p> <p>Identify those recipients who have suffered, or are likely to suffer, a serious adverse outcome as a result of the noncompliance:</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The facility failed to immediately notify the Medical Provider when Resident #1 had a change in condition on 03/26/25 at approximately 8:30 AM. Resident #1 had a fall on 03/25/25 at approximately 2:00 PM and was assessed by the nursing staff to have no injuries and was transferred back to bed. On 03/26/25 at 8:30 AM Resident #1 had a change in condition as described by staff as having a decreased level of consciousness, unable to be awakened, lethargic slow to respond, much different than his baseline. The Medical Provider was not notified until 4:50 PM on 03/26/25 and gave orders for blood work, urinalysis, and chest x-ray. On 03/27/25 Resident #1's family came to visit and found him unresponsive and called Emergency Medical Services (EMS). Resident #1 was transferred to the emergency room and diagnosed with a large subdural hematoma with midline shift. Resident #1 was transferred to hospice and passed away on 03/31/25.</p> <p>On 4/3/25, the DON re-educated the nurse on the notification policy and process to include immediately notifying the Medical Provider when a resident has a change in condition.</p> <p>On 4/3/25, the DON and Nurse Consultant completed an audit of residents on anticoagulant therapy who have experienced a fall within the last 72 hours to ensure timely notification to the Medical Provider if a change in resident condition occurs. Two residents were identified and no concerns identified.</p> <p>On 4/4/2025, the facility reviewed all residents with changes in condition in 24 hours to ensure immediate notification to the Medical Provider occurred. Six residents were identified, and the Medical Provider was notified.</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 reoccurring, and when the action will be complete.</p> <p>On 4/3/25, the Administrator, Director of Nursing (DON), [NAME] President of Risk and Quality Assurance (VPRQA), Nurse Consultant, Physician Assistant and Medical Director held an Ad Hoc QAPI meeting to discuss the incident to determine root cause analysis of the facility's failure to immediately notify the Medical Provider when Resident #1 had a change in condition. Root cause analysis determined that the facility failed to have effective systems in place and monitoring measures to ensure that a licensed nurse understood the seriousness of their responsibility to notify the Medical Provider when a resident experiences a change in condition post-fall, especially those on anticoagulants.</p> <p>On 4/3/2025, the Director of Risk of Quality Management, Nurse Consultant, Director of Nursing, Administrator, and Physician Assistant reviewed the notification and fall policy. No updates were made.</p> <p>Effective 4/3/25, the Director of Nursing, Nurse Consultant, and Nursing Administration initiated education with all facility and contracted licensed nurses and Certified Nursing Assistants on the facility Notification of Changes in Condition and Fall Prevention Policies. Education includes the licensed nurse's responsibility to immediately notify the Medical Provider of any resident's change in condition, especially post-fall, with a history of stroke and pulmonary embolism on an anticoagulant. Certified Nursing Assistants will immediately communicate to the licensed nurses any change in Residents condition. The Director of Nursing will ensure all newly hired licensed nurses and Certified Nursing Assistants will be educated during orientation and contracted staff educated prior to taking their assignment.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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F 0600 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 51140</p> <p>Based on resident and staff interviews, and record reviews, the facility failed to protect a resident's right to be free from physical abuse when a Nursing Assistant woke a resident from his sleep to provide incontinent care against his will and held the resident's arms while the resident was fighting for 1 of 3 sampled residents (Resident #2). A skin tear to the resident's left lower forearm was noted after this incident.</p> <p>The findings included:</p> <p>Resident #2 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, pacemaker, type II diabetes mellitus with chronic kidney disease, and major depressive disorder.</p> <p>A review of the 09/26/2024 provider progress notes on Resident #2 revealed major depression with psychosis with psychiatric features, moderate depression with psychosis, intermittent unfounded accusations toward staff and facility with paranoid ideations, and that [NAME] wanted to kill him. Psychotherapy and evaluation and aggression with paranoid ideations were pending official notes. Lamictal (a drug used for bipolar I disorder maintenance) and trazodone (a drug used for depression) were reviewed. Lamictal dosing was switched to nighttime dosing due to daytime fatigue.</p> <p>A Discharge (end of Prospective Payment System [PPS] Part A Stay) Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed that Resident #2 was cognitively intact and had skin tears.</p> <p>Resident #2 care plan dated 10/19/2024 stated that he had a skin tear to the right hand.</p> <p>A review of the physician orders revealed that the right hand had a skin tear on 10/09/2024 with orders renewed on 10/22/2024 to clean right hand with wound cleanser. Apply xeroform. Cover with dry dressing every day shift for wound healing. Then an order started on 10/22/2024 to Clean left wrist skin tear with wound cleanser and apply xeroform. Cover with dry dressing every day shift for wound healing.</p> <p>The initial psychiatric assessment dated [DATE] denied a history of abuse without symptoms of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. The report stated that Resident #2 denied recent abuse, history of traumatic events, no suicidal or homicidal ideations, no audio verbal hallucinations, or guilt. Diagnoses of bipolar and insomnia were documented by the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner.</p> <p>A daily skilled assessment authored by Nurse #5 at 10:48 AM on 10/21/2024 revealed that Resident #2 did not have any unhealed pressure ulcers or injuries, yet he did have a skin tear. It was documented that there was no change in his skin integrity.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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F 0600 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>Nursing Assistant (NA) #8's written statement on 10/22/2024 was reviewed and revealed that the employee entered Resident #2's room earlier that morning at approximately 5:45 AM, introduced himself and explained that he was going to change him. NA #8 explained that the resident was immediately aggressive and began throwing his hands. NA #8 stated that Resident #2 reportedly pulled back, and NA #8 left the room to allow the resident to cool down. He went back in 15 minutes, reintroduced himself, cleaned the resident and asked if Resident #2 needed anything else. Resident #2 reportedly thanked him and replied that he didn't think he needed anything more. NA #8 wrote that he told the resident he was welcome and exited the room.</p> <p>At 2:16 PM on 04/02/2025, NA #8 was interviewed and stated that Resident #2 doesn't like to be woken from sleep. If he was awakened, he would become violent. Resident #2 tended to jump and get violent. NA #8 reported that when he awakened Resident #2 after NA #8 identified himself, Resident #2 refused care. NA #8 stated that when he touched Resident #8 to turn him, the resident started swinging his arms. NA #8 reported that Resident #8 could be aggressive and abusive both verbally and physically. NA #8 allowed the resident to cool down and reported to the nurse about Resident #2's refusal. NA #8 did not recall which nurse reportedly told him to go back and try to care for the resident again. NA #8 reported going back again to Resident #2 who seemed mildly cooperative.</p> <p>NA #8 was interviewed by phone at 1:05 PM on 04/03/2025. He stated that he didn't know anything about Resident #2 having skin tears. NA #8 stated that he did not recall twisting his arms or doing anything to cause Resident #2 any harm. He explained that when he changed Resident #2 around 6:00 AM, the resident was wet and soiled with bowel movement (BM). NA #8 remembered the BM, because he recalled Resident #2 was on metformin, an antidiabetic drug, and was having issues with his bowels.</p> <p>During an interview with Resident #2 at 1:55 PM on 04/02/2025, he reported that NA #8 was trying to change me when I didn't need it. I resisted. He twisted my hands, and his long fingernails went into my skin. He nipped my skin with my fingernails. I told him he better not do that again. He didn't mean to hurt me. He was trying to get his job done. He changed me. I told them to keep him out of my room. It's better for us to stay apart. I didn't want to hurt him, and he didn't want to hurt me. Just the situation just gets out of hand.</p> <p>An interview with Resident #2 at 4:23 PM on 04/02/2025 revealed that he didn't think the situation we talked about with NA #8 changing him was abuse. Resident #2 reported that he didn't think so, but he should have stopped when I resisted. I didn't need changing.</p> <p>Nurse #8's written statement dated 10/25/2024 revealed that no observations from NA #8 were reported to him on the night shift of 10/21/2024. Nurse #8 worked on the same hallway as NA #8 was assigned. Nurse #8 was not able to be interviewed.</p> <p>A review of Nurse #7's written statement dated 10/24/2024 about her interview with Resident #2 revealed that the resident reported NA #8's grabbing him while he was sleeping thus startling him. The nurse observed 2 skin tears on Resident #2 at both the hand and wrist. The resident reported that he jacked away from him. Resident #2 reportedly told her that he felt his injuries were not intentional. Resident #2 thought that NA #8 had a history of being rough with him.</p> <p>Nurse #7, a former Unit Manager who worked on dayshift, was unable to be interviewed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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F 0600 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>A review of a change in condition assessment on 10/22/2024 at 3:36 PM authored by Nurse #5 revealed that Resident #2 had a skin tear on the right hand and a skin tear on the left lower arm. Documentation revealed that the nurse was notified by Resident #2's family representative about an incident with the night NA.</p> <p>The Director of Nursing (DON) was interviewed at 3:55 PM on 04/03/2025 and stated she expected the NAs to provide care and communicate with the nurse. She revealed that a complete round must be done on every resident including a resident like Resident #2.</p> <p>During an interview at 2:34 PM on 04/03/2025 with the Administrator, she revealed that the NAs must explain to the nurse when a resident refuses care. Then the NA must report on why the resident was still resistant if applicable. A resident's history of behavior like Resident #2 is not a reason to not see about his care. She reported that the expectation has been set for every resident to be rounded on and clean. Each resident's brief must be opened and cleaned if needed. She expected the NAs to complete a round on every resident prior to leaving.</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</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** 37280</p> <p>Based on record reviews, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) records, facility staff, Emergency Department (ED) Physician, Physician Assistant (PA) and Medical Director interviews, the facility failed to recognize the severity of an acute change in condition after a fall for Resident #1. Resident #1 had a past medical history that included atrial fibrillation with anticoagulation, recent pulmonary embolism, recent COVID-19, history of traumatic brain injury (TBI), history of hemiplegia (paralysis on one side of body) following a cerebral infarction, and history of previous subdural hematoma. Resident #1 was prescribed an anticoagulant medication of apixaban 5 milligrams (mg) via gastrostomy tube twice a day for atrial fibrillation. On 03/25/25 between 2:00 PM to 2:30 PM Resident #1 had an unwitnessed fall from the bed and was assessed to have no visible injuries and transferred back to bed. Neurological checks were initiated. Resident #1 reported to staff that he did not hit his head. On 03/26/25 at approximately 8:30 AM Resident #1 was noted by staff to be hard to arouse, nonverbal, unresponsive, and lethargic. At 4:50 PM on 03/26/25 the Unit Manager (UM) notified the PA that Resident #1 was lethargic and received orders for bloodwork, urinalysis, culture and sensitivity, and a chest x-ray. On 03/27/25 at 9:58 AM Resident #1's family came to the facility and found him unresponsive and called Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Resident #1 was transported to the Emergency Department (ED) and diagnosed with a huge left subdural hematoma with a midline shift (shifting of brain past its center). Resident #1 was transitioned to Hospice services and passed away on 03/31/25. This affected 1 of 3 residents reviewed for change in condition.</p> <p>Immediate Jeopardy began on 03/26/25 when Resident #1 was noted to have had an acute significant change in condition and was not evaluated or transferred to a higher level of care until 03/27/25. Immediate Jeopardy was removed on 04/05/25 when the facility implemented an acceptable credible allegation of immediate jeopardy removal. The facility will remain out of compliance at a lower scope and severity D (isolated with no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that is not immediate jeopardy) to complete education and ensure monitoring systems put into place are effective.</p> <p>The findings included:</p> <p>Resident #1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included atrial fibrillation, history of pulmonary embolism, history of cerebral infarction with hemiplegia and traumatic brain injury.</p> <p>Review of a physician order dated 02/28/25 read; Apixaban 5 milligrams (mg) via gastrostomy tube two times a day</p> <p>for atrial fibrillation.</p> <p>A review of Resident #1's care plan dated 02/28/25 indicated the Resident received an anticoagulant medication related to a diagnosis of atrial fibrillation. The goal that Resident #1 will be free from adverse side effects of the anticoagulation medication would be attained by utilizing interventions such as administering the anticoagulation medication as ordered and monitoring for side effects specifically for bleeding since Resident #1 has a history of gastrointestinal bleed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Further Review of Resident #1's care plan revealed no active care plan for falls prior to the fall on 03/25/25.</p> <p>A review of Resident #1's admission Minimum Data Set assessment dated [DATE] revealed he was cognitively intact. The Resident was coded as requiring substantial to maximal assistance with most activities of daily living except eating. It was documented that he had no falls since admission and received an anticoagulant.</p> <p>A review of Resident #1's Medication Administration Record (MAR) for 02/2025 and 03/2025 indicated the Resident had received an anticoagulant medication apixaban 5 mg via gastrostomy tube twice a day for atrial fibrillation. The MARs indicated Resident #1 received the anticoagulant as ordered since his admitted [DATE].</p> <p>An incident report dated 03/25/25 at 2:00 PM and written by Nurse #1 revealed Resident #1 was in bed after lunch when Nurse #1 was called to the Resident's room and upon arrival Resident #1 was lying on the floor next to his bed. Resident #1 stated he rolled over and he did not know what he was trying to do. A head-to-toe assessment was done, and Resident #1 was moving all extremities without any problems. The Resident complained of back pain which he does most of the time and was given some pain medication for pain. No injuries were noted, and Resident #1 was assisted back to bed using the total lift. Neurologic checks were initiated, and all vital signs were within the normal limits. Staff were to do frequent rounding and ensure correct positioning while in bed.</p> <p>A nursing progress note written by Nurse #1 on 03/25/25 at 3:34 PM indicated Resident #1 was alert and able to make his needs known. The Resident was in bed after lunch when Nurse #1 was called to Resident #1's room (by Nurse Aide (NA) #1) and upon arrival the Resident was lying on the floor next to his bed. When Resident #1 was asked what he was trying to do, the Resident responded that he did not know what he was trying to do. A head-to-toe assessment was completed with Resident #1 being able to move all his extremities without any problems. No injuries noted. The Resident was transferred to bed via a total lift and 2 person assist (Nurse #1 and NA #1). Resident #1 complained of back pain and a pain medication was given and was effective. Neurologic checks were initiated, and the Resident's vital signs were within normal limits.</p> <p>A review of the neurologic checks with vital signs indicated the checks were initiated on 03/25/25 at 2:00 PM and continued through 03/27/25 at 9:00 AM. One neurologic check assessment dated [DATE] at 7:45 PM was not documented. The documented neurologic checks indicated the vital signs were within normal limits and the grips were present and the upper and lower motor function of the extremities were present.</p> <p>A review of the Physician Assistant progress note dated 03/25/25 revealed Resident #1 was assessed after sustaining a fall earlier in the day of 03/25/25. No injuries or cognition changes were reported. The neurologic exam was at baseline and no acute distress was appreciated. The Resident was status post recent complicated hospitalization with a history of atrial fibrillation, cerebral vascular accident with residual left hemiparesis, pulmonary embolism and recent gastrointestinal bleed. Medications include apixaban 5 mg two times a day. Vital signs 119/76, 73, 18, 97.6 and oxygen saturation of 96%. Assessment Plan: continue post fall measures and neuro checks per the facility policy and continue to monitor for bleeding. Nursing will continue to monitor changes and inform the provider as needed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During an interview with Nurse #1 on 04/02/25 at 2:40 PM the Nurse confirmed that she worked from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM on 03/25/25. The Nurse explained that she was notified that Resident #1 was on the floor in his room by NA #1. Nurse #1 went to the Resident's room to find him lying on the floor and when the Nurse asked Resident #1 how he got on the floor, he stated that he guessed he turned over, but he could not remember. The Resident complained of back pain, and she gave him some pain medication that was effective. The Nurse continued to explain that they (Nurse #1 and NA #1) got Resident #1 back in the bed using the total lift. Nurse #1 stated she asked the Resident if he hit his head, and he made a remark of something funny which was his normal demeanor. She indicated she specifically looked for injuries on his head because it was an unwitnessed fall and there were no visible injuries. The Nurse reported she initiated neurologic checks, and they were within normal limits. Nurse #1 explained that she continued the neurologic checks throughout the rest of the shift and the neurologic checks remained within normal limits and Resident #1 was alert and talkative, which was his normal demeanor. The Nurse indicated that she reported off to Nurse #3 at the change of shift. Nurse #1 continued to explain that when she returned to work on 03/27/25 for the 7:00 AM shift, Nurse #3 informed her that Resident #1 was lethargic, but she did not think to ask how long he had been lethargic. Nurse #1 explained that she went to assess Resident #1, and he was sleeping and when she tried to wake him up, the Resident would not wake up and he was lethargic. She stated she reviewed his progress notes which indicated he had labs drawn and a urine sample and a chest x-ray was due to be done. Nurse #1 reported that the UM asked her how Resident #1 was doing that day and Nurse #1 informed her that he was lethargic, and the UM stated that the Resident had labs drawn the day before. Nurse #1 reported that while she was passing her morning medications the radiology technician arrived to obtain a chest x-ray. Shortly after that, Resident #1's family came to visit and informed her that Resident #1 was not acting like himself and was aware that he had a fall on 03/25/25 and stated that Resident #1 had a history of two brain bleeds. The Nurse informed the family of the labs that were ordered, and the chest x-ray had been done but the family insisted that Resident #1 be transferred to the hospital, so Nurse #1 notified the PA and was given an order to transfer Resident #1 to the hospital.</p> <p>On 04/02/25 at 12:55 PM and 04/03/25 at 10:45 AM interviews were conducted with Nurse Aide (NA) #1 who confirmed she worked from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on 03/25/25. The NA explained that after lunch she answered the call light for Resident #1's room and found Resident #1 lying on the floor on his left side between his bed and his roommate's bed. The roommate had pushed the call light for Resident #1. NA #1 continued to explain that she asked Resident #1 if he was hurt or if he hit his head during the fall and the Resident told her no and she saw no visible signs of injury or bleeding from Resident #1. NA #1 informed the Resident that she was going to get Nurse #1 which she did and after Nurse #1 assessed Resident #1 they used the total lift to put him back in bed. NA #1 reported that she checked on Resident #1 one more time before she went off shift and asked him what he was trying to do when he fell and the Resident responded, I don't know, dancing I guess. The NA explained that it was Resident #1's usual demeanor to joke with the staff. NA #1 continued to explain that she worked from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on 03/26/25 but she worked on a different assignment, but she went to check on Resident #1 and found him to be lethargic and basically not responding as his usual self. The NA stated that she helped NA #2 get Resident #1 out of the bed for therapy around mid-morning and the Resident was limp like a rag doll and lethargic and that was a change in the Resident since the day before. NA #1 reported that she went and got the Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) and reported how the Resident was acting since the fall on 03/25/25 and they both put Resident #1 back in the bed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>An interview was conducted with Nurse Aide #2 on 04/03/25 at 10:15 AM who confirmed she worked from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on 03/26/25. The NA explained that she had only worked with Resident #1 one time before 03/26/25, and he was alert and conversed with her about having a daughter with her name. NA #2 reported that when she went in to care for Resident #1 on that morning (03/26/25) around breakfast, she knew immediately that he was acting differently from their previous encounter because the Resident's response was slower, and he was not conversing with her like he normally did. NA #2 continued to explain that around 10:00 AM NA #1 helped her get Resident #1 out of bed for therapy and NA #1 went to inform therapy of how Resident #1 was acting and therapy and NA #1 put the Resident back to bed. NA #2 reported that she went to notify Nurse #2 of Resident #1's condition and Nurse #2 went to his room to assess him. NA #2 explained that Resident #1 acted the same throughout the rest of the shift when she went into care for him.</p> <p>During an interview with the Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) on 04/02/25 at 11:45 AM the PTA explained that she had worked with Resident #1 since his admission, and he was able to participate in therapy. She reported that on the morning of 03/26/25 NA #1 came and got her to go to Resident #1's room because the Resident had a fall out of bed the day before and they had gotten him out of bed for his therapy session, but he was not behaving like his normal behavior. The PTA stated she went into Resident #1's room and could see that he was lethargic and not responding to her as he normally did, and she and NA #1 put the Resident back to bed. The PTA explained that she reported her concern to Nurse #2 and the Nurse informed her that no one reported to her that Resident #1 had a fall. The PTA continued to explain that she periodically checked on Resident #1 throughout the rest of the shift and he barely made eye contact with the PTA. She indicated the Resident made groaning and moaning sounds while he was sleeping.</p> <p>Interviews were conducted with Nurse #3 on 04/02/25 at 9:20 PM and 04/04/25 6:55 AM. The Nurse confirmed that she worked with Resident #1 on 03/25/25 through 03/26/25 for the 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM shift and 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM for 03/26/25 through 03/27/25. Nurse #3 explained that she received in the report on 03/25/25 that Resident #1 sustained a fall from the bed and the neurologic checks were on going. When the Nurse went into assess Resident #1, he was alert and talkative and informed her that he had a fall before she asked the Resident about the fall. The Nurse indicated that every time she went into assess Resident #1, he spoke with her and his neurologic checks and vital signs were within normal limits and remained within normal limits throughout the rest of the shift. Nurse #3 continued to explain that she reported off to Nurse #2 the morning of 03/26/25 and informed the Nurse that Resident #1 had a fall and that his neurologic checks were on going and she documented it on the 24-hour report sheet. Nurse #3 stated when she came on duty at 7:00 PM on 03/26/25 she checked on the residents and found that Resident #1 was lethargic. Nurse #3 was then told by the Unit Manager (UM) that labs, urine and a chest x-ray had been ordered for Resident #1 and that she had to collect the urine and have it ready for the lab to pick up. The Nurse stated she obtained the urine, and the lab phlebotomist came in around 4:00 AM in the morning to obtain the Resident's labs so that just left the chest x-ray which she reported to Nurse #1 when she gave her report that morning. Nurse #3 continued to explain that Resident #1 slept all night, and she was able to perform the neurologic checks except the grips because he was sleeping. The Nurse indicated the Resident's vital signs were stable. Nurse #3 reported that she was able to connect his external tube feeding, medicate him through his gastrostomy tube, clean the gastrostomy tube site and disconnect the external tube feeding without waking him but that was not unusual for the Resident because he could be a hard sleeper. Nurse #3 reported if it had been during the day she would have called the provider, but she knew the provider had already been informed of Resident #1's condition and his lab work was pending.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Interviews were conducted with Nurse #2 on 04/02/25 at 11:30 AM and 04/03/25 at 11:35 AM. Nurse #2 confirmed that she worked with Resident #1 on 03/26/25 from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM and it was the first time she had worked with the Resident. Nurse #2 explained that she did not receive in report from Nurse #3 that Resident #1 had fallen but she did receive other information about the Resident. Nurse #2 stated after that between 8:00 AM and 8:30 AM a therapy staff (PTA) member informed her that Resident #1 had a fall and was not acting like himself and she went to assess him. Nurse #2 stated Resident #1 would open his eyes when she called his name, but he would not respond to her. The Nurse indicated that she obtained the Resident's vital signs which were within normal limits and completed a change in condition assessment and reported the change in condition to the UM after the UM got out of a meeting which was around 10:30 AM and the UM informed Nurse #2 that she would call the PA. The Nurse explained that they received orders for some blood work, urine and a chest x-ray and Nurse #2 called the Resident's responsible party twice but had to leave a message on the cell phone and she did not know if the responsible party called back because she left off shift around 3:00 PM. When Nurse #2 was asked why she did not call the PA herself the Nurse indicated that she was not familiar with Resident and wanted to report the Resident's condition to her Unit Manager.</p> <p>A review of a Change in Condition Assessment completed by Nurse #2 on 03/26/25 at 2:35 PM revealed Resident #1 was drowsy, lethargic and very less responsive. Blood Pressure 115/62, Pulse 64, Respirations 18 and Temperature 97.7 via forehead and recent oxygenation 95%. Decreased level of consciousness (sleepy, lethargic). The assessment indicated the PA, and the responsible party were notified.</p> <p>A review of Resident #1's physician orders on 03/26/25 written around 5:40 PM indicated orders for a Complete Blood Count with Differential (CBC/Diff) in AM, Urine for Urinalysis and Culture and Sensitivity (UA/C&S) if indicated and a Chest X-Ray (CXR) for cough were obtained. The orders were written by the Unit Manager.</p> <p>Interviews were conducted with the Unit Manager on 04/02/25 at 5:00 PM and 04/03/25 at 10:45 AM. The UM explained that she was notified of Resident #1's fall by Nurse #1 on 03/25/25 shortly after the fall happened and was told that the Resident did not sustain any injuries from the fall. Nurse #1 initiated the neurologic checks which included vital signs as per protocol for post falls. The UM continued to explain that the next day on 03/26/25 at approximately 4:30 PM after she got out of the Risk Management meeting, Nurse #2 informed her that Resident #1 had a change in condition and was lethargic and she was going to document a change in condition and call the responsible party. The UM stated that she stepped into Resident #1's room and laid eyes on him but the Resident did not appear to her to be lethargic. She indicated that she did not complete an assessment on Resident #1. The UM continued to explain that since she had to call the PA about other residents, she decided to call the PA at that time and reported that Resident #1 had a change in condition and was lethargic. The UM stated she received orders for lab work, urine for culture and sensitivity and a chest x-ray which she put in the computer. The UM reported that Nurse #3 was to collect the urine, and the phlebotomist was to obtain the blood when they made their next round to the facility. The UM indicated Resident #1's vital signs were stable, and they were trying to rule out infection.</p> <p>During an interview with NA #3 on 04/04/25 at 11:40 AM the NA confirmed that she worked with Resident #1 on 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM on 03/26/25. The NA explained that she remembered Resident #1 being quiet and refusing his supper. She indicated that he would only answer her questions with one-word responses and slept most of the shift. NA #3 stated she had not worked with Resident #1 enough to determine if it was his normal demeanor, so she did not think it was abnormal to report his behavior.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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