

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 345528	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 01/08/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER River Landing at Sandy Ridge		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1575 John Knox Drive Colfax, NC 27235	

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<p>F 0677</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide care and assistance to perform activities of daily living for any resident who is unable.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, record reviews, and staff interviews, the facility performed perineal care by wiping from back to front and wiping back to front with the same area of the wipe for 1 of 2 residents reviewed for activities of daily living (Resident #4). The findings included: Resident #4 was readmitted on [DATE] with diagnoses including fractured left femur and Alzheimer's disease. The significant change in status Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] showed Resident #4 was severely cognitively impaired. She required substantial to maximum assistance for toileting hygiene and set up/clean up assistance with personal hygiene. Resident #4's Care Plan dated 12/18/25 had a focus for Activities of Daily Living (ADL) self-care deficit with an intervention of assistance with toileting and dressing as needed. On 01/05/26 at 2:58 PM an observation revealed Nurse Aide (NA) #1 who was assigned to Resident #4, had assisted her up from the toilet after urination and having a bowel movement. Resident #4 stood in front of the toilet while leaning forward on her walker for support. NA #1 put on gloves, stood on Resident #4's side facing her back, and first wiped Resident #4's anal area with a disposable wipe in an upward motion toward her back. NA #1 then turned the wipe to a clean area and wiped Resident #4's anal area three times in an up-and-down motion from her anal area toward the lower back, down to the anal area then up toward the lower back without turning to a clean area of the disposable wipe after each wipe. NA#1 disposed of her soiled gloves, put on clean gloves and repositioned herself in front of the resident. NA #1 then wiped Resident #4's vaginal area and with a clean wipe, having reached between the Resident #4's legs and wiped beginning in back near the anal area toward the front near the vaginal area. With a clean area if the same wipe, NA #1 then wiped again from the anal area forward toward the vaginal area. During an interview on 01/05/26 at 3:05 PM with NA #1, she revealed being familiar with Resident #4's needs for assistance with toileting care. She elaborated that Resident #4 sometimes wiped herself if she just urinated but always needed perineal care assistance after a bowel movement. On 01/07/26 at 4:33 PM a follow up interview was conducted with NA #1. She stated she remembered during the observation on 01/05/2026 having cleaned Resident #4's anal area first and changed her gloves after doing that. NA#1 explained the usual process for performing perineal care would have been to clean the vaginal area first then the anal area, using a clean side of the wipe each time until the resident was clean. NA #1 further explained she knew not to wipe from the anal area toward the vaginal area, but when Resident #4 had been leaning forward it had been hard to see. NA #1 stated she didn't think she touched Resident #4's anal area when reaching back while cleaning the resident's vaginal area. NA #1 explained she thought she had received perineal care training when she first started at the facility about 5 years ago. She further explained that during the annual skills fair this spring she had practiced perineal care and been checked off. NA#1 explained the skills fair training was to wipe the vaginal area starting in the front and moving back toward the anal area and not wipe more than once without turning to a clean area of the wipe. NA #1 revealed it had</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 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 observations, record reviews, and staff interviews, the facility failed to implement manufacturer instructions and their policy and procedure to disinfect a blood glucose meter (glucometer). Nurse #1 did not allow the individually assigned glucometer to have the required two-minute wet contact time or allow the glucometer to air-dry before returning it to the individual's plastic storage bag. This occurred for 1 of 1 observation of glucometer disinfection (Nurse #1). The findings included: Review of an undated facility document titled Glucometer Cleaning Protocol read in part: Glucometers were assigned to individual residents; they will not be shared by multiple residents. Clean and sanitize glucometer machines after each use. Glucometer will be thoroughly wiped with approved disinfectant and allowed to air-dry after every use. 1 - Use an approved disinfectant wipe after each time the glucometer was used. 2 - Wipe all surfaces, top, bottom, and sides. Follow contact time for disinfectant. 3 - Allow to air dry. Then place glucometer in a clean area away from contamination. Note: the contact time recommended was two-minutes. A review of the manufacturer's user instruction manual for disinfection using germicidal wipes read in part: Cleaning and Disinfecting Guidelines: Cleaning and disinfecting can be completed by using a commercially available Environmental Protection Agency-registered disinfectant or germicide wipe. To use a wipe, remove from the container and follow product label instructions to disinfect the meter. Many wipes act as both disinfectant and cleaner. With all the recommended meter disinfecting and cleaning methods, it was critical that the meter be completely dry before testing a resident's glucose level. Please follow the disinfectant product label instructions to ensure proper cleaning time. A review of the disinfecting wipe instructions for use as a disinfectant read in part: Use of the disinfecting wipes was a two-step process. One wipe was required to pre-clean then a second wipe was used to disinfect. Repeated use of the product may be required to ensure that the surface remains visibly wet for two minutes at room temperature. A continuous observation was conducted on 1/6/26 at 4:30 PM of Nurse #1 obtaining a finger stick blood sugar (FSBS). Nurse #1 returned to the medication cart, wiped the glucometer with an approved disinfecting wipe. She then tossed the wipe into the trash bin, placed the glucometer in a clear plastic storage bag, and placed the open plastic bag in the medication cart. Continuous observation and timing of the glucometer revealed the disinfectant solution did not have a two-minute contact time and the surface was not dry when it was placed in the clear plastic bag. Nurse #1 did not ensure the glucometer remained wet with disinfectant solution for a full two minutes or allow the glucometer to air dry prior to placing the glucometer in the clear plastic bag. An interview with Nurse #1 on 1/6/26 at 4:33 PM revealed her process for cleaning and disinfecting a glucometer was she wiped the glucometer with a disinfectant wipe, immediately placed it into a plastic storage bag, and placed the opened plastic storage bag into the medication cart to air-dry. Nurse #1 indicated she would return later to seal the plastic storage bag closed. She did not like to leave the glucometers on top of the medication cart to dry because they should be locked in the medication cart. Nurse #1 confirmed she worked part-time and was educated on glucometer use, cleaning, and disinfecting at new hire orientation. There had not been a skills fair since she was hired less than one year ago. During an interview on 1/6/26 at 4:36 PM, the House Mentor (Unit Manager) for the Wingfoot unit stated glucometers were only cleaned when visibly soiled with blood. She further revealed staff were trained to clean glucometers only when visibly soiled because each resident was assigned a glucometer for individual use. She did not have any concerns with the way Nurse #1 disinfected and stored the glucometer. The House Mentor did not mention the two-minute contact time for the disinfectant or the need to air dry prior to placing the glucometer into the plastic bag. On 1/6/26 at 4:40 PM, the House Mentor for the Wingfoot unit provided the facility</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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