

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  366207	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  01/29/2026
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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><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on record review, staff interview, review of the facility investigation, review of hospital records, review of police report, and policy review, the facility failed to provide the appropriate supervision for one cognitively impaired resident (Resident #46) who was at high risk for elopement and required the supervision of a secured memory care unit for his safety. Resident #46 eloped from the facility without staff knowledge on 07/05/25. This resulted in Immediate Jeopardy on 07/05/25 at 11:20 A.M. when Resident #46 was taken off the secured memory care unit to go outside with the memory care unit residents who smoke. Resident #46 was brought back in the building and left unattended at the elevator in the lobby on the first floor by Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) #501, after being outside with the smoke group. Resident #46 was not discovered missing until 12:37 P.M. when staff could not locate the resident on the secured memory care unit. At 3:20 P.M. Resident #46's brother notified the facility the resident was taken to the hospital at 12:55 P.M. Report from the hospital provided at 3:40 P.M. revealed a pedestrian had found Resident #46 on the ground on the sidewalk approximately one mile away from the facility and the pedestrian had called emergency medical services (EMS) who transported the resident to the hospital. Additionally, the facility failed to provide supervision to Resident #159 who was cognitively impaired, high risk for elopement and eloped from the facility on 12/20/25 which placed the resident at potential risk for more than minimal harm that was not Immediate Jeopardy. The facility also failed to ensure a safe environment and placed all facility residents at risk for more than minimal harm that was not Immediate Jeopardy, when a staff member brought a firearm into the facility and the firearm discharged in a common area near resident rooms on the second floor. The facility census was 82. On 01/06/25 at 12:40 P.M. the Administrator, Regional Director of Operations (RDO) #602, Director of Nursing (DON), and Regional Director of Clinical Services (RDCS) #601 were notified Immediate Jeopardy began on 07/05/25 at 11:20 A.M. when Resident #46, who was high risk for elopement, was left at the elevator on an unsecured unit by facility staff. Resident #46 walked out of the facility two minutes later and was discovered missing from the facility until 12:37 P.M. Resident #46 was treated at the hospital for a heart attack, slight dehydration, and acute kidney injury. The Immediate Jeopardy was removed on 07/05/25 when the facility completed the following actions: On 07/05/25 at 3:45 P.M., a Root Cause Analysis was completed by the Administrator with input from the management team. On 07/05/25 4:00 P.M., the Former DON created a list of residents on the secured unit who are smokers and distributed to the staff. On 07/05/25 at 4:00 P.M., DON and Unit Manager Licensed Practical Nurse (UMLPN) # 262 completed whole house elopement risk assessments and updated care plans accordingly. On 07/05/25 at 4:15 P.M., the Administrator had an ad-hoc Quality Assurance Performance Improvement (QAPI) meeting to discuss elopement policy best practices, and supervision of secured unit residents while off the secured unit. On 07/05/25 at 4:15 P.M., Admissions Director #276, after review of current resident room locations and new elopement risk</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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #46 was not found. The facility received a call from Resident #46's family stating the resident was at Hospital #800's Emergency Department (ED). The DON contacted Hospital #800's ED and spoke to a nurse who reported the resident was brought into the ED by paramedics due to a fall without injuries. The DON also spoke with a police officer who stated bystanders witnessed the resident fall and called 911. Review of Resident #46's progress notes, dated 07/05/25 at 4:19 P.M. documented the same information as the investigation and incident report.</p> <p>Review of the preliminary police report investigation revealed the police were notified by Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) # 349 on 07/05/25 at 1:01 P.M. of a missing person. Police arrived at the facility at 3:16 P.M. The investigation report revealed the resident walked away from the facility. The missing resident's guardian revealed the resident resided on a secure floor but was taken to the first floor and then was able to walk away.</p> <p>Review of the Columbus, Ohio [NAME] Columbus International Airport Station weather history report revealed on 07/05/25 between 10:51 A.M. and 12:51 P.M. temperatures were between 87-88 degrees Fahrenheit (F) with humidity between 45-49 percent and partly cloudy skies.</p> <p>Review of an undated handwritten witness statement from Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) #501 revealed she took Resident #46 out to smoke where he was out for about 15 minutes. She brought him back in the building and walked him toward the elevator. She pressed the elevator button twice before walking away from him at 11:20 A.M.</p> <p>Review of undated handwritten witness statement from CNA #701 revealed Resident #46 was seen at the beginning of her shift and during breakfast and morning rounds. States around 11:15 A.M. CNA #501 came to get smokers. At around 11:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. she went to give the resident his lunch tray, and he was not in his room. She notified the nurse immediately and searched the unit, but the resident was not found.</p> <p>Review of undated handwritten witness statement from LPN #349, the nurse assigned to Resident #46, revealed she was notified Resident #46 was unable to be found at 2:22 P.M. She notified staff to look throughout the building and searched outside the facility, at the hospital and library. She stated she called the DON and the on-call supervisor with no answer. She also called 911 and family. LPN #349's statement revealed she requested facility cameras be checked.</p> <p>Review of undated handwritten witness statement from Activities Assistant (AA) #270 revealed she was notified by LPN #349 at 12:37 P.M. of Resident #46 missing. She stated she confirmed he was not in activities with her and assisted with searching for the resident outside the facility around 12:40 P.M. to 12:45 P.M. She stated she was the staff who checked the facility cameras, and it showed Resident #46 left the facility at 11:22 A.M.</p> <p>Review of handwritten witness statement from Registered Nurse (RN) #256 revealed he was notified by LPN #349 around 11:00 A.M. that Resident #46 was missing. He assigned CNA #327 to do a search of all rooms and bathrooms on his assigned unit. RN #256 stated DON, physician's call service, and the resident's responsible party were notified.</p> <p>Review of witness statement from LPN #244 revealed she was made aware Resident #46 was missing around 12:00 P.M. and assisted with the search. LPN #244 stated Resident #46 was let out to smoke at 11:15 A.M. The receptionist at the front desk was at lunch and the resident left out front door at 11:22 A.M.</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>Interview with Resident #74 on 01/07/26 at 11:45 A.M. revealed resident heard the firearm go off but she said she didn't know what the sound was, and stated she found out the next day it was a gun. She said she didn't know anyone who saw it happen.</p> <p>Interview with CNA #381 on 01/07/26 at 1:02 P.M. revealed he didn't see the firearm but heard the sound when it discharged , but did not know what the sound was from at the time. He said he saw RN #505 running up the stairs afterwards and RN #505 had asked him if he had heard the sound. He said there was dust everywhere. He said he did not know of anyone other than RN #505 who was present at the time the firearm discharged .</p> <p>Interview with CNA #323 on 01/22/26 at 5:50 P.M. revealed she was on break when the firearm went off and she heard a loud bang but did not see what happened. She said she saw the hole in the floor and she found bullet casings on the floor.</p> <p>Interview with Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) #365 on 01/22/26 at 4:55 P.M. revealed she was working that evening in another area of the facility. She did not hear the firearm go off but heard about the incident that evening and saw the damage to the floor.</p> <p>Interview with LPN #805 on 01/26/26 at 10:37 A.M. revealed he heard the sound of the firearm when it discharged but did not see the firearm.</p> <p>Review of personnel file for RN #505 revealed his last day of employment was 12/01/25.</p> <p>Interview on 01/07/26 with Human Resources Manager #313 confirmed RN #505 was terminated on 12/01/25.</p> <p>Review of facility policy titled, Firearms and Other Weapons, revised April 2007 revealed the facility prohibited employees, residents, visitors, vendors or others from possessing firearms or other weapons while in/on facility premises.</p> <p>This deficiency represents non-compliance investigated under Complaint Numbers OH001295678 and OH001295679.</p>		

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<p>F 0755</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide pharmaceutical services to meet the needs of each resident and employ or obtain the services of a licensed pharmacist.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on medical record reviews and interview the facility failed to ensure physician's orders were followed when administering medications. This affected two (Residents # 56 and # 94) of five residents reviewed for medication administration. Facility census was 82. Findings include: 1. Review of Resident # 56's medical record revealed an admission date of 05/01/25 with diagnoses including vertebral fracture (thoracic) T11-T12, vertebral fracture (lumbar) L1, radiculopathy, idiopathic peripheral autonomic neuropathy, low back pain and right shoulder pain, and right rotator cuff repair. Review of Resident # 56's care plans dated 05/15/25 revealed a care plan for chronic pain related to neuropathy, low back pain and thoracic and lumbar fractures; interventions include to administer medications as ordered. Review of Resident # 56's Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed he was cognitively intact with a Brief Interview of Mental Status (BIMS) of 15 and he required assistance from staff with hygiene, dressing and transfers. Review of Resident # 56's physician's orders dated December 2025 revealed the following orders: Aspercreme Lidocaine Patch 4% (Lidocaine), apply to posterior right shoulder topically one time a day for pain, one patch and remove per schedule; Percocet (opioid) Oral Tablet 7.5-325 mg (milligrams), give one tablet by mouth every six hours as needed for pain. Further review revealed the order for Percocet started on 12/23/25 and ended on 12/29/25. Review of Resident # 56's prescription from Orthopedic Surgeons dated 12/23/25 revealed order and instructions for Percocet 7.5-325 mg per tablet, take one tablet by mouth every six hours as needed for pain (Days supply per fill: 10). Review of Resident # 56's Medication Administration Record (MAR) for December 2025 revealed Percocet 7.5-325 mg was administered daily from 12/24/25 to 12/29/25. Review of Resident # 56's progress notes dated 12/29/25 revealed DON received orders from NP # 705 to discontinue Percocet 7.5-325 mg. Review of Resident # 56's Percocet 7.5-325 mg individual patient-controlled substance administration record dated 12/24/25, revealed the medication was administered at least daily from 12/24/25 to 12/30/25. Interview on 12/31/25 at 8:39 A.M. with Resident # 56 revealed he received a prescription on 12/23/25 from the Orthopedic Surgeon for Percocet for 10 days for his shoulder. He confirmed he received the medication as requested until 12/31/25 when RN # 256 stated his order was discontinued. Interview on 12/31/25 at 8:45 A.M. with RN # 256 confirmed the order for Percocet 7.5-325 mg was discontinued on 12/29/25. Interview on 12/31/25 at 9:15 A.M. with DON revealed the resident had multiple narcotic medication changes handled by Orthopedic provider since his recent shoulder surgery. Stated NP # 705 reviewed orders and on 12/29/25 ordered to discontinue current Percocet due to resident's drug seeking history. Interview on 12/31/25 at 9:20 A.M. DON verified Resident # 56 received Percocet 7.5-325 mg until 12/30/25 with no physician's order. 2. Review of Resident # 94's medical record revealed he was admitted on [DATE] with diagnoses including insomnia, epilepsy, schizophrenia, anxiety and senile degeneration of the brain. Review of Resident # 94's Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed he was cognitively impaired with a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) of 4. He required assistance from staff with hygiene, dressing and transfers. Review of Resident # 94's progress notes dated 08/01/25 revealed resident was sent out to hospital # 700 for evaluation due to a medication error of resident receiving excessive dose of Melatonin. Review of Resident # 94's hospital emergency department (ED) note dated 08/01/25 revealed resident was evaluated for drug overdose after he was accidentally administered approximately 22 mg (milligrams) of Melatonin at the facility. Further review revealed MD noted Melatonin was not expected to cause concern based on his discussion with the poison center, stated resident was asymptomatic and he returned the facility on 08/01/25 with no orders. Review of Resident # 94's Physician's Orders dated 07/15/25 to</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0755</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>8/13/25 revealed no orders for the medication Melatonin. Interview on 01/08/26 at 12:20 P.M. with DON confirmed Resident # 94 was sent to the hospital after nurse administered approximately seven, melatonin three mg. Stated resident was at the hospital for a few hours for observation and was sent back to the facility with no new orders. Review of policy titled Administering Medications dated December 2012 revealed medications must be administered in accordance with the orders, including any required time frame, the individual administering the medication must initial the resident's MAR on the appropriate line after giving each medication and before administering the next ones and the individual administering the medication must check the label three times to verify the right resident, right medication, right dose, right time and right route of administration before giving the medication.</p>		

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<p>F 0921</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Make sure that the nursing home area is safe, easy to use, clean and comfortable for residents, staff and the public.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observation, resident interview and staff interview, the facility failed to ensure a safe, sanitary and home-like environment. This had the potential to affect all 85 residents in the facility. Facility census was 85. Findings include: 1. Observation on 12/30/25 at 12:37 P.M. of the third-floor dining cart revealed it was held together with duct tape along the edges and meals were being dispersed in polystyrene foam (disposable) containers and residents were eating with plastic utensils. Interview on 12/31/25 at 8:59 A.M. with Resident #88 shared that it was difficult to cut food with a plastic fork on the disposable containers. Interview on 01/06/26 at 9:53 A.M. with Resident #76 noted he was tired of eating on disposable plates. Interview on 01/08/26 at 8:39 A.M. with Dietary Supervisor #238 confirmed they had been using disposable plates because the boiler was being repaired. 2. Observation on 12/31/25 at 9:30 A.M. in the hallway of the memory care unit revealed an approximately four foot by four foot area where the ceiling tiles were missing. Interview on 12/31/25 at 9:34 A.M. with Maintenance Director #258 confirmed the ceiling had collapsed and the area was missing the tiles. He said he would fix it when he could be he had to prioritize fixing the heater first. 3. Observations on 12/30/25 between 12:10 P.M. and 1:15 P.M. revealed the following: a. In the main elevator on all three sides, there were extensive scratches on the wood railing and on the painted wall area below. The painted area had gouges missing as well. There was a grid ceiling and there was extensive dust collected on the grid. b. The hallway to the left of the lobby had extensive scuffing along the wall below the railing. c. By the vending machine, there was ceiling tile missing above it and it appeared that the ceiling had fell next to the vending machine. In the center of the room by the post, three ceiling tiles had brownish water stains and the tiles were ripped. The floors were extensively scuffed and dirty. d. On the first floor in the bathroom, off of the dining room, revealed an out of order sign, indicating that the bathroom was not working. On the second floor the bathroom door across from room [ROOM NUMBER] had an out of order sign, indicating that the bathroom was not working, and the door had streaks several inches long where the wood was marred. On the third floor, the bathroom outside room [ROOM NUMBER] had an out of order sign, indicating that the bathroom was not working. e. Next to the elevator on the third floor, outside of the nursing station there were extensive scuff marks on the paint below the railing and missing wood and paint around the bottom of the blue pillars by the station. f. Across from room [ROOM NUMBER], the bottom of the post and the area under the railing was extensively scuffed and missing paint. g. Observation and interview on 01/05/26 at 9:27 A.M. with Resident #87 in room [ROOM NUMBER] confirmed that she only had a desk in her room and no dresser and that her sink was draining slowly. h. Observations on 01/07/26 between 8:57 A.M. and 9:15 A.M. revealed: In the second-floor shower room above the showerhead area, a ceiling tile appeared to be crumbling and the empty area above was exposed. In the second-floor hallway there was a pile of wet blankets on the floor up against the wall and a yellow caution sign. On the first floor in the chapel room, there was a pile of wet blankets, a bucket, a yellow caution sign and an active water leak from a burst pipe. Interview on 01/07/26 at 9:25 A.M. with the [NAME] President of Plant Operations #511 stated the building had very old cast iron pipes and they were only able to fix them as they broke. He said there was no way to proactively fix them because they were behind drywall. He confirmed the ceiling was crumbling in the second floor bathroom and said the pipes linked through all three floors and that there was a different pipe that just broke above where the towels were. i. Observation on 01/07/26 at 11:26 A.M. of the back elevator (across from room [ROOM NUMBER]) had out of order sign on it, indicating it was not in working order. Observation on 01/22/26 at 12:35 P.M. There was</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0921</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>still an out of order sign on the back elevator.j. Observation and interview on 01/07/26 at 11:45 A.M. with Resident #74 in room [ROOM NUMBER] confirmed the door to her room was swollen and it took considerable effort to open it. She said the door had been like that for a while and she had told multiple staff members about it. Her sink also wasn't draining and the lamination around the edge of the sink was loose.k. Observation and interview on 01/07/26 at 2:12 P.M. with Resident #56 in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed the resident demonstrated that the foot of his bed would not raise up and the headboard was detached. There was a telephone outlet dangling from the wall with exposed wires. The resident said that he had told maintenance about the bed previously and it was not fixed.On 01/08/26 between 4:30 P.M. and 5:00 P.M., the Maintenance Director #258 and the Regional Director of Culinary Operations #515 toured the above areas and verified the described areas had not been maintained. Maintenance Manager #258 said the bathrooms on the three floors were out of order because of a previously burst pipe. He also confirmed the back elevator was now out of order because someone had damaged the panel on the third floor. 4. Observations on 01/12/26 between 10:23 A.M. and 5:10 P.M. revealed the following: a. Resident #41's room [ROOM NUMBER] had a rusty sink bowl and drain.b. Resident #45's room [ROOM NUMBER] with all lights on, was very dim.c. Resident #46 was in room [ROOM NUMBER]. The sink was rusted, the baseboard cover under the sink was missing and the wall under the sink was crumbling. There was what appeared to be food substance on the wall by the bed.d. Resident #48 was not in their room [ROOM NUMBER], however, the sink was observed to be rusted around the drain and the bowl was missing laminate.e. room [ROOM NUMBER] where Resident #49 resided, had very loose grab bars by the toilet, rust around the base of the plumbing, and a rusted sink.f. room [ROOM NUMBER] where Resident #50 resided had extensive wall damage around the sink in the room.g room [ROOM NUMBER] where Resident #51 resided had long gashes in the door to his room. h. room [ROOM NUMBER] had a side bar on the wall next to the bed that was falling off and a rusted sink.i. room [ROOM NUMBER] had a side bar on the wall next to the bed that was falling off, a rusted sink, and in the corner behind the sink there was exposed cable and apparent water damage with dark staining potentially resembling mold. There was also a chip in the tile flooring.j. room [ROOM NUMBER] had rusty sink.k. room [ROOM NUMBER] had grime build up on the floor around the bottom of the trash can.l. room [ROOM NUMBER] had rust on the sink, a chipped bedside table, and missing paint on the wall.m. The bedside table in room [ROOM NUMBER] was old and in disrepair, and there was an apparent water stain across the length of the ceiling.n. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 3:17 P.M. with Resident #32 who was laying in bed in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed the call light was pulled out from the wall. When asked how she got assistance, Resident #32 said she had to yell out. She also had missing drywall around her sink area, her bedside table was old and in disrepair, and her front door was marred. Interview on 01/12/26 at 3:23 P.M. with Unit Manager #262 revealed she was unaware the call light was broken [for room [ROOM NUMBER]] and that she would put in a work order request.o. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 3:25 P.M. with Resident #35 in his room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed the wall around the sink was missing drywall and under the sink there was no baseboard and a crack in the wall. The bedside table was old and in disrepair. Resident #35 said a wingnut fell off the table and he told a staff member about it for repair and he felt they blew him off. He said the wall and the area under the sink bothered him.p. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 3:36 P.M. with Resident #36 in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed Resident #36 shared that he didn't like the marred corner area by the sink or the marks on the wall by the footboard and he noted the wall area by the headboard needed touched up. His sink also had rust around the drain.q. room [ROOM NUMBER] had a bar on the wall next to the bed that was falling off, the laminate on the edge of the sink was worn off, and the door to the bathroom</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0921</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>wouldn't close.r. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 4:28 P.M. with Resident #81 in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed Resident #81 said when he turned his sink on, water came out on the floor. This was verified in the moment as well as the entire sink and cabinet were not attached to the wall and a light touch would tilt it forward.s. room [ROOM NUMBER] had missing laminate around the edge of the sink and rust in the sink. The light over the sink was missing the cover and just a light bulb was exposed.t. The hallway across from room [ROOM NUMBER] had chunks of the wall and paint missing on two corners.u. room [ROOM NUMBER] had a chip in the floor tile in the front of the room, near the door, that was approximately a half an inch by an inch.v. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 4:52 P.M. with Resident #11 in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed Resident #11 confirmed the room felt dim to him and he would like more light for the evenings.w. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 5:00 P.M. with Resident #12 in room [ROOM NUMBER] confirmed her wardrobe drawers were stuck together, and she wasn't able to open one without both opening. She also said it would be helpful to have the top sliding door on her wardrobe. Additionally, the lights were all on and it was still very dim.x. room [ROOM NUMBER] had damaged laminate around the sink, torn paint on the wall near the entrance, water damage on the ceiling on the back right corner, and holes in the wall outside the room from where an apparent soap dispenser was removed. y. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 5:10 P.M. with Resident #16 in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed he would like more light. He had all the lights on in the room and it was still very dim.On 01/13/26 between 10:12 P.M. and 11:28 A.M. the Maintenance Director #258, the Regional Maintenance Director #605 and the Regional [NAME] President of Plant Operations #511 toured the areas mentioned and verified the described areas had not been maintained.5. Observations on 01/13/26 between 9:04 A.M. and 9:24 A.M. revealed the following:a. Observation and interview on 01/13/26 at 9:04 A.M. with Resident #18 in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed a very loose handrail by the toilet and rust near the pipe. Resident #18 confirmed he did use that bathroom. The sink was missing enamel, and the edge of the sink was sharp. There was exposed dry wall on the corner by the sink, the wall was missing paint, and the drywall was ripped in the back area. There were stains on the ceiling right above the head of the bed and Resident #18 said they were unsettling because he didn't know what they were. The light above the sink was also missing the cover.b. Observation and interview on 01/13/26 at 9:24 A.M with Resident #22 who was in bed in room [ROOM NUMBER] revealed the sink did not have hot water. The wall around the sink had a two-inch strip around the side and the back of the sink that was unpainted. The resident wasn't sure why they didn't have a chair in the room anymore either, but they wanted one.c. room [ROOM NUMBER] was missing drywall on the corner by the sink and the trim was loose. There was paint missing across the length of the bed. The front door had significant scuff marks.d. In the common area outside of room [ROOM NUMBER], there were chunks of wall missing by the bookcase, the hallway railing was marred for the length of the railing and spots of paint were missing on the wall. On 01/13/26 between 10:12 P.M. and 11:28 A.M. the Maintenance Director #258, the Regional Maintenance Director #605 and the Regional [NAME] President of Plant Operations #511 toured the areas mentioned and verified the described areas had not been maintained.6. Observations on 12/30/25 at 12:10 P.M. in the front lobby and hallway areas, there was approximately two inches of dark grime along the edge of the flooring by the walls in the main lobby and hallway by the elevator to the resident's rooms. This grime was observed to be present on the floor each day until 01/12/26 09:58 A.M. when the housekeeper was observed to be scraping the floor.Interview on 01/12/26 at 9:58 A.M. with Housekeeper #232 confirmed the grime along the edge of the floor in the lobby and adjacent hallways. He said it was buildup of wax accumulation and that it hadn't been there long.7. Observation and interview on 01/12/26 at 10:10 A.M. of the shower room in the memory care area</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0921</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>revealed there was an approximately two foot by 5 inch area on the wall with white paint in the corner of a tan wall and an overhead fan covered in dust. Certified Nursing Assistant #337 verified both. She said she didn't know who was responsible for cleaning the fan dust. Observation and interview on 01/13/26 at 9:40 A.M. in shower room on the third floor revealed there were five wet towels piled on the floor in the shower area. Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) #248 confirmed the towels were there. She said a resident must have taken a shower overnight. She said the staff normally would remove them if they were told about them. Observation and interview on 01/22/26 at 1:05 P.M. in the shower room on the third floor there was a pile of wet towels in the room. Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) #248 confirmed the towels were there. She said she didn't know who was covering the area. These deficiencies represent non-compliance investigated under Master Complaint Number 2699666, 2591930, 1295681, and 1295679.</p>		

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<p>F 0925</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Make sure there is a pest control program to prevent/deal with mice, insects, or other pests.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observation, interview and review of work orders, the facility failed to maintain an environment free from a pest's infestation. This had potential to affect all 82 residents. Findings include: Observation on 12/30/25 at 12:26 P.M. in the first-floor dining room of multiple dead insects (a variety of insects including insects that resembled spiders and cockroaches (roaches)) along the walls near the windows. Interview on 12/31/25 at 8:59 A.M. with Resident #88 who said the roaches aren't living with us, we are living with them. She said they put roach traps around and are trying to [eradicate the cockroaches]. She said the roaches come out when the housekeeper mops. She said she sees the roaches climbing up the walls and she has fears they will fall down on her. Interview on 12/31/25 at 9:34 A.M. with Maintenance Director #258 revealed they had an issue with cockroaches, but he felt it was getting better. He said they switched [pest] companies three months ago and now he no longer had cockroaches running across his desk. Observation on 12/31/25 at 9:35 A.M. of the second-floor common area revealed multiple dead insects (a variety of insects including insects that resembled spiders and cockroaches (roaches)) on the windowsill by the entrance to memory care. Interview on 01/05/26 at 9:27 A.M. with Resident #87 revealed she saw the cockroaches in her room and in the hallways and she saw them come out of the kitchen. She said she was killing half a dozen a day. She said it had slowed down some, but she wished they would have fumigated the whole place. Interview on 01/05/26 at 7:22 A.M. with Resident #56 revealed he would have one or two cockroaches in his room but mostly he saw them in the hallways. Interview on 01/05/26 at 2:48 P.M. with Resident #90 revealed she felt the insect issues were bad, but they had gotten better. Interview on 01/05/26 at 4:10 P.M. with Regional Maintenance Director #605 revealed the resident in room [ROOM NUMBER] was a hoarder. He said when the resident was away from his room, they went in to get rid of the trash including empty shampoo bottles and empty grocery bags and he said they found a cockroach infestation in there and brought the exterminators in on this day for that room. He said they were German cockroaches. Observation and interview on 01/06/26 at 10:36 A.M. revealed a cockroach crawling up the wall in the third-floor shower room. Regional Maintenance Director #605 was present and confirmed that it was a German cockroach. Interview on 01/07/26 at 11:45 A.M. with Resident #74 revealed she didn't have too many bug issues where she was on the third floor. She said on the first and second floors they [cockroaches] were everywhere. Observation and interview on 01/08/25 at 8:29 A.M. revealed two cockroach traps in the kitchen by the door. Dietary Supervisor #238 said they had issues with cockroaches, but he felt it had gotten better. Interview on 01/12/26 at 10:36 A.M. with Resident #50 revealed she didn't want housekeeping to come in her room because she believed they brought the insects in with their mops. Interview on 01/12/26 at 2:39 P.M. with Resident #27 revealed the place was roached out. He elaborated and stated they were everywhere and they came out at night. He noted he saw one two days ago. Interview on 01/12/26 at 3:04 P.M. with Resident #268 revealed she saw roaches come out from under her bed. Interview on 01/12/26 at 3:25 P.M. with Resident #35 revealed his biggest complaint was the cockroaches because they were repulsive. Observation on 01/13/26 at 11:07 A.M. revealed the exterminator approaching maintenance managers and asking them where he should focus. Review of pest control work orders dated 09/09/25, 09/29/25, 10/06/25, 10/17/25, 10/22/25, 10/29/25, 12/08/25, 12/16/25 and 01/05/26 revealed they were treating both individual rooms and common areas and the primary issue and focus on the visits were the eradication of cockroaches. This deficiency represents non-compliance investigated under Master Complaint Number 2699666, 2593662, 2591930, 1295681, and 1295679.</p>		