

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  395493	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  02/12/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Julia Ribaldo Extended Care Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  1404 Golf Park Drive Lake Ariel, PA 18436	
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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><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on review of facility policies, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance, staff interviews, clinical record review, and direct observation, it was determined the facility failed to establish, maintain, and implement an effective infection prevention and control program to prevent the spread of infections regarding animal visitation and indwelling urinary catheter maintenance for 2 of 6 sampled residents. (Residents 1 and 2). Findings include: A review of the facility's policy titled Infection Control Policies and Practices, last reviewed February 12, 2025, revealed it is the policy of the facility to maintain an organized, effective facility-wide program designed to systematically prevent, identify, control and reduce the risk of acquiring and transmitting infections among employees, volunteers, visitors and contract healthcare workers. The policy indicated that employees support resident safety by adhering to all policies and procedures related to infection prevention. A review of a facility policy titled Animal Visitation Pet Policy reviewed March 31, 2025, revealed, the facility will allow residents to have pet visitation while attempting to provide a safe and infection free environment. Only dogs, cats, caged birds and small animals such as hamsters, gerbils, rabbits and fish are allowed as visitors to the facility. Prior arrangements must be made with the Life Enrichment (activity) department during the weekday prior to the pet visit. The policy required all medical vaccinations and check-ups must be up to date and a copy on file in the pet record binder maintained by the activity department. Pets shall not be permitted in the nurses' stations or in any areas where cleanliness and sanitary precautions are necessary to protect the health, comfort, safety and wellbeing of residents. Pets visiting the facility will be kept on a leash or in a safety cage throughout the visit. Small birds are required to have an annual exam, an annual fecal exam as well as wings clipped on a regular basis. An additional form entitled, Pet Protocol dated as reviewed March 31, 2025, revealed, all animals visiting the facility will have preventative care to ensure they do not pose a risk to the health, safety or rights of all residents. A review of Centers for Disease Control (CDC) documentation dated July 18, 2025, titled Healthy People, Healthy Pets: Backyard Poultry revealed that backyard poultry (including chickens, ducks, [NAME], [NAME] fowl, and turkeys) can carry germs that make people sick. The CDC identifies infections associated with poultry exposure to include: Avian influenza (bird flu), a viral infection that can infect humans. Campylobacter infection, a bacterial infection that can cause diarrhea and gastrointestinal illness. Escherichia coli (E. coli), bacteria found in the intestines of humans and animals that can cause serious foodborne illness. Histoplasmosis, a fungal infection that may cause flu-like respiratory symptoms. Salmonella infection, a bacterial infection that can cause diarrhea, fever, and abdominal cramps. Young children, older adults, and people with weakened immune systems are more likely to get sick from these germs. The CDC recommends that poultry and related equipment be kept outside and not permitted inside areas where people live, prepare food, or receive care. Don't eat or drink in areas where poultry live or roam. Stay outdoors when cleaning any</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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