

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 395831	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/11/2025
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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p>Based on observation, facility policy review, staff interview, and resident interview, it was determined that the facility failed to ensure that hot beverages were monitored and served at a safe temperature on the nursing units, which placed residents at risk for burn injuries. (Homestead and B Unit) In addition, the facility failed to provide adequate supervision and interventions to prevent accidents related to hot beverages for one of 35 sampled residents which resulted in actual harm of a burn to the abdominal area. (Resident 105) These failures resulted in an Immediate Jeopardy situation.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of documentation by the American Burn Association's Burn Prevention Committee entitled, Scald Injury Prevention, revealed that a scald injury occurred when a hot liquid damaged one or more layers of skin and hot beverages were a frequent source of scald burns. Older adults were the most frequent victims of scald injuries due to thin skin, reduced mobility, and reduced ability to feel heat. Hot liquid at a temperature of 155 degrees Fahrenheit (F) could result in a scald injury in one second.</p> <p>Review of the facility policy entitled, Safety of Hot Liquids, last reviewed January 17, 2025, revealed that staff were to ensure that serving temperatures for hot liquids were maintained not more than 180 degrees F. The policy indicated that hot beverages could be served at temperatures greater than 155 degrees F, contrary to the safety parameters outlined by the American Burn Association's Burn Prevention Committee.</p> <p>Clinical record review revealed that Resident 105 had diagnoses that included Parkinson's disease (progressive movement disorder of the nervous system), Lewy body dementia (a type of dementia that damaged part of the brain that affects cognition, behaviors, and movement), Apraxia (a motor disorder caused by damage to the brain which causes difficulty to perform tasks or movements), xerosis cutis (dry skin), and anxiety. The Minimum Data Set assessment (a periodic evaluation of resident care needs) dated April 10, 2025, indicated that the resident was cognitively impaired and required assistance from staff to set up his meals. The care plan identified that Resident 105 was on a restorative nursing program (a program intended to restore or maintain a specific function) for feeding and that staff was to provide supervision for self-feeding during meals.</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 0732</p> <p>Level of Harm - Potential for minimal harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Post nurse staffing information every day.</p> <p>Based on observation and interview, it was determined that the facility failed to post accurate and current nurse staffing information.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Observations during tours of the facility conducted on June 8, 2025, at 9:35 a.m., and June 9, 2025, at 8:50 a.m., revealed that staffing information posted in the lobby was dated for June 6, 2025.</p> <p>In an interview on June 11, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., the Nursing Home Administrator confirmed that incorrect staffing information was posted.</p> <p>28 Pa. Code 201.18(b)(3) Management.</p>		

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<p>F 0759</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure medication error rates are not 5 percent or greater.</p> <p>Based on observation, clinical record review, review of manufacturer's instructions, and staff interview, it was determined that the facility failed to maintain a medication error rate of less than five percent (%) for two of four nursing units observed on medication administration. (Short Stay, B unit)</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Observations of medication administration on June 8, 2025, from 12:50 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., and June 9, 2025, from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., revealed 26 medication opportunities with four medication errors that resulted in a medication administration error rate of 15.38%.</p> <p>Clinical record review revealed that Resident 81 had diagnoses that included chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and diabetes. A review of the physician's order dated May 15, 2025, revealed that staff was to administer one puff of a tiotropium bromide (Spiriva) inhaler orally every day and was to rinse mouth after use. A review of the physician's orders dated January 21, 2025, revealed that staff was to administer 15 units of insulin glargine (LANTUS) pen-injector subcutaneously every morning and at bedtime and four units of insulin aspart (NovoLog) pen-injector subcutaneously three times a day. A review of the manufacturer's prescribing information revealed that users were to wipe the insulin pen tops with an alcohol swabs prior to attaching a needle to them. Observation of the medication pass on June 9, 2025, at 9:05 a.m., revealed that Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) 3 did not direct Resident 28 to rinse his mouth after using the inhaler and did not clean the tops of the two insulin pens with alcohol prior to attaching the needles.</p> <p>Clinical record review revealed that Resident 158 had diagnoses that included chronic pain and dementia. A review of the physician's order dated May 12, 2025, revealed that staff were to administer an extended relief pain medication (acetaminophen) three times a day. A review of the Acetaminophen Extended-Release Tablets Drug Facts information sheet revealed that extended release acetaminophen tablets should not be crushed. Observation of the medication pass on June 8, 2025, at 1:15 p.m., revealed that LPN 2 crushed the acetaminophen extended release tablet prior to administration.</p> <p>In an interview on June 11, 2025, at 9:36 a.m., the Director of Nursing confirmed that the four medication administration errors occurred.</p> <p>28 Pa. Code 211.12(d)(1)(5) Nursing services.</p>		

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<p>F 0809</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure meals and snacks are served at times in accordance with resident's needs, preferences, and requests. Suitable and nourishing alternative meals and snacks must be provided for residents who want to eat at non-traditional times or outside of scheduled meal times.</p> <p>Based on review of facility documentation, the facility's meal schedule, resident and staff interview, and observation, it was determined that the facility failed to ensure that meals were served at regularly scheduled times in accordance with resident needs for three of four nursing units (Homestead, Short Stay, B unit)</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the Food Council Minutes dated May 20, 2025, revealed that Resident 62 had stated that she had to wait a long time for a meal. In a group interview on June 10, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., Resident 130, stated that the meals were frequently delivered late to the unit, it was an on-going problem, and affected her going to scheduled activities.</p> <p>In interviews conducted on June 8 and 9, 2025, between 12:05 p.m. and 1:45 p.m., Residents 28, 36, and 62, stated that delivery of the meal trucks and steam tables was often late.</p> <p>Review of the facility's meal schedule revealed that the scheduled time for steam table delivery for lunch on the Homestead unit was 12:00 p.m., for B-wing Dining Room was 12:00 p.m., and for the Short Stay unit, it was 12:30 p.m. The scheduled time for the second meal truck delivery for B North unit, was 12:57 p.m. There was a grace period of 15 minutes for meal delivery.</p> <p>Observation on June 8, 2025, revealed the Homestead steam table arrived at 12:50 p.m., 35 minutes late. The Short Stay unit steam table arrived at 1:34 p.m., 49 minutes late, and the second meal truck for B North unit arrived at 1:45 p.m., 33 minutes late. In an interview conducted on June 8, 2025, at 1:45 p.m., Resident 86 was observed not to have his meal tray and stated meals were typically late.</p> <p>In an interview on June 11, 2025, at 9:35 a.m., the Director of Nursing confirmed the meal service should have been delivered according to the scheduled delivery times.</p> <p>28 Pa. Code 201.14(a) Responsibility of licensee.</p>		

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<p>F 0812</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Procure food from sources approved or considered satisfactory and store, prepare, distribute and serve food in accordance with professional standards.</p> <p>Based on facility policy review, observation, and staff interview, it was determined that the facility failed to store and serve food in a sanitary manner in the dietary department and on one of four nursing units. (Homestead)</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the facility policy entitled, Food Preparation and Service, dated January 17, 2025, revealed that staff were to change gloves between tasks and to wear hair restraints to cover all facial hair so that hair did not contact food.</p> <p>Review of the facility policy entitled, Use-By Dating Guidelines, dated January 17, 2025, revealed that staff were to label opened food items with a use-by date and cheese and lunch meat were to be used within seven days of opening.</p> <p>Observations during the kitchen tour on June 8, 2025, at 9:50 a.m., revealed the following:</p> <p>In cooler one, a large container of tea was not dated.</p> <p>In cooler three, there was an opened bag of sliced turkey lunch meat with an opened date of May 22, 2025. Juices from this bag were dripping onto a box of pork below it and formed a puddle on the cooler floor. There was an opened bag of sliced ham stored directly next to the leaking turkey lunchmeat bag with a use by date of May 29, 2025.</p> <p>In cooler four, there were two bags of opened shredded cheese that were not dated, a bag of lettuce was opened to air and was stored next to an opened bag of cheddar cheese, two crates of milk were stored directly on the floor, and a juice lid was on the floor, in front of the milk cartons.</p> <p>In the trayline refrigerator, there was a white, dried substance on the outside of the bottom door and on the inside on a shelf. There were three utensil drawers that had dried red food debris on the outside of each. There was a flying insect in the area where uncovered slices of pie were being dished and there were two flying insects in the dish room area.</p> <p>In dry storage, there was a fly on the window and a window that was slightly opened. On the windowsill, there was an area of dried liquid and bug and dust debris across the windowsill.</p> <p>Observation of meal service on the Homestead unit on June 10, 2025, from 12:06 p.m. to 12:20 p.m., revealed Dietary Employee (DE) 1 had facial hair that was not covered while serving food. DE 1 was wearing gloves, but he proceeded to touch the phone and then handled resident plates and utensils without changing gloves or performing hand hygiene. DE 1 was observed using the same gloved hands to retrieve Salisbury steak from the pan to place on resident meal trays. During the observation period, DE 1 continued to change tasks and did not change gloves or perform hand hygiene after any of the task changes.</p> <p>In an interview on June 10, 2025, the Administrator confirmed that dietary staff were to use utensils to serve the meat instead of their gloved hands.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0812</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>CFR 483.60(i) Food Safety Requirement.</p> <p>Previously cited 5/10/24</p> <p>28 Pa. Code 201.14(a) Responsibility of licensee.</p>		

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<p>F 0814</p> <p>Level of Harm - Potential for minimal harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Many</p>	<p>Dispose of garbage and refuse properly.</p> <p>Based on observation, it was determined that the facility failed to dispose of trash and refuse properly.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Observation of the dumpster area on June 8, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., revealed various items on the ground next to the garbage dumpsters which included multiple used gloves, plastic debris, and condiment packets. There was a waffle and a pile of animal droppings on the ground behind the dumpster. One of the dumpsters had four soiled briefs and cloths sticking out from under it.</p> <p>28 Pa Code 201.18(b)(3) Management.</p>		