

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  415023	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  03/30/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Sunny View Nursing Home		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  83 Corona Street Warwick, RI 02886	

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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 surveyor observation, clinical record review, and staff interview, the facility failed to provide the necessary supervision to prevent the elopement of a cognitively impaired resident. This failure placed the resident in a situation of Immediate Jeopardy, as the resident exited the facility, undetected with another resident's visitor, and remained unsupervised in the community for approximately six hours. During this time, the resident's whereabouts were unknown, placing the resident at risk for serious harm, injury, or death. The resident was not located until s/he arrived independently at his/her former residence, where his/her spouse currently resides. The spouse then notified the facility of the resident's presence. The resident was subsequently transported to the hospital for medical clearance. Additionally, upon the resident's return to the facility, the facility failed to test the wander guard device the resident was wearing at the time of elopement and instead discarded the device without verifying its functionality, thereby eliminating the opportunity to assess whether the device functioned as intended and obscuring the facility's ability to determine the cause of the elopement. This deficient practice demonstrates the facility's failure to protect the resident from immediate risk and ensure a safe environment, resulting in a situation that was likely to cause serious harm, impairment, or death. Findings are as follows: Record review of a facility reported incident submitted to the Rhode Island Department of Health on 3/26/2026 states that Resident ID #1 was noted to be missing from the facility. Additionally, the report revealed that the resident was found at his/her previous address with his/her spouse after s/he was dropped off by another resident's visitor. Review of an undated policy titled Elopement Procedure states in part, ". It is the facility policy to maintain a safe and secure environment for all residents. In order to achieve this goal, residents are to be monitored at all times. Their presence within (or absence from) the facility is to be accounted for. The charge nurse on each unit is responsible to know the whereabouts of the residents on his/her unit. Whenever a resident leaves the facility (with family or to an outside appointment), it must be noted on the sign out sheet which is kept at the receptionist desk in the lobby. Record review of an undated facility policy titled Wander guard System and Assessments; checks revised on 2/7/2025 states in part, ". [the facility] will maintain a safe environment for all residents. Those residents identified as an elopement risk will wear a wander guard bracelet to assure optimal safety. Record review revealed the resident was admitted to the facility in August of 2024 with diagnoses including, but not limited to, dementia, cognitive communication deficit, and anxiety disorder. Record review of the Quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment dated [DATE] revealed the resident scored a 4 out of 15 on his/her Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score, indicating severe cognitive impairment. Record review of a care plan dated 9/6/2024 revealed the resident wears a wander guard bracelet (a safety mechanism intended to monitor and prevent at-risk residents from exiting unsupervised) following his/her attempts to leave the facility. Interventions include but not limited to, ensure the wander guard device is in place, assess the functioning, the battery status of the device weekly, and provide visual checks or supervision for the resident's safety. Further review revealed a revised dated 7/5/2025 which indicated the resident is at risk for altered cognition (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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