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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 415076	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/10/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER John Clarke Senior Living		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 600 Valley Road Middletown, RI 02842	
For information on the nursing home's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the nursing home or the state survey agency.			
(X4) ID PREFIX TAG	SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (Each deficiency must be preceded by full regulatory or LSC identifying information)		
F 0880 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program. Based on surveyor observation, clinical record review, and staff interview, the facility failed to maintain an infection control program to help prevent the transmission of infections related to contact precautions (an infection control intervention designed to reduce the transmission of multidrug-resistant organisms in nursing homes) and standard precautions (the minimum infection prevention practices applied to all patients in all healthcare settings, at all times, to protect healthcare workers and patients from the transmission of infectious agents, regardless of the patient's infection status) for 2 of 2 residents reviewed, Resident ID #'s 61 and 19. Findings are as follows: 1. Record review of an undated facility policy titled Transmission-Based (Isolation) Precautions states in part .It is our policy to take appropriate precautions to prevent transmission of pathogens, based on the pathogens' modes of transmission.'Contact precautions' refer to measures that are intended to prevent transmission of infectious agents which are spread by direct or indirect contact with the resident or the resident environment. The facility will use standards approaches as defined by the CDC[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention], for transmission-based precautions. contact. If sharing noncritical equipment between residents, the equipment will be cleaned and disinfected following manufacturer's instructions .According to Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) Tool for General Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Across Settings. Wound Care Facilitator Guide from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, last revised on 1/27/2023, states in part, .Maintain separation between clean and soiled equipment to prevent cross contamination .Any unused disposable supplies that enter the patient/resident's care area should remain dedicated to that patient/resident or be discarded. They should not be returned to the clean supply area. If supplies are dedicated to an individual patient/resident, they should be properly labeled and stored in a manner to prevent cross-contamination or use on another patient/resident (e.g., in a designated cabinet in the patient/resident's room) .Multidose topical wound care medications, such as creams, sprays and ointments, should be dedicated to an individual patient/resident. Containers entering patient/resident care areas should be dedicated for single-patient /resident use or discarded after use .Record review revealed that Resident ID #61 was admitted to the facility in April 2026 with diagnoses including, but not limited to, Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA, a strain of Staphylococcus aureus resistant to methicillin and related beta-lactam antibiotics) and an infection of the left knee prosthesis (an artificial knee joint). Further record review revealed a physician's order dated 4/5/2026 for contact precautions to be implemented every shift due to MRSA involving the left lower extremity (LLE) and nares. Additional record review revealed the resident receives daily wound care treatment to the buttocks and LLE. During a continuous surveyor observation on 4/9/2026 from 10:10 AM to 10:29 AM, Registered Nurse, Staff A, was observed providing care in the resident's room. Upon exiting, Staff A placed the following items on top of the medication cart without cleaning and disinfecting them per manufacturer's instructions: -A case containing a stethoscope, blood pressure cuff, and pulse oximeter (used to measure heart rate and oxygen saturation)-One eight-ounce bottle of wound cleanser spray-One roll of white tape During a surveyor interview at 10:37 AM on 4/9/2026, Staff A acknowledged that Resident ID #61 is positive for MRSA in both the wound and nares and acknowledged the physician's order for (continued on next page)		

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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