

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 425401	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/17/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Still Hopes Episcopal Retirement Community		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1 Still Hopes Drive West Columbia, SC 29169	

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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>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 18947</p> <p>Based on interview, observations, and record review, the facility failed to ensure infection control procedures were followed for one Resident (R) R13 of six residents reviewed during medication administration. The nurse failed to ensure the blood glucometer used to obtain the resident's glucose level was properly sanitized prior to use and failed to ensure the glucometer was placed on a clean barrier in the resident's room during use. A total of 8 residents were reviewed in the sample.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>The facility's undated Obtaining a Fingerstick Glucose Level Policy read, in pertinent part, Steps in the Procedure; and 3. Always ensure that blood glucose meters intended for reuse are cleaned and disinfected between resident uses.</p> <p>The (Assure Platinum) Glucometer's undated Instructions for Use read, in pertinent part, The disinfecting procedure is needed to prevent transmission of bloodborne pathogens. Disinfectants recommended for use with the Assure Platinum Glucometer included Super Sani-Cloth Germicidal Disposable Wipes (the disinfectant available in the facility's medication carts for use when sanitizing glucometers and other multi-use equipment). Alcohol prep pads were not indicated as an appropriate product for the disinfection of the Assure Platinum Glucometer.</p> <p>R13's Admission Record, dated 04/17/24 and found in the electronic medical record (EMR) under the Profile tab, indicated the resident was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses including type 2 diabetes.</p> <p>R13's admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment, with an assessment reference date (ARD) of 03/06/24 and found in the EMR under the MDS tab, indicated the resident was moderately cognitively impaired, with a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of nine out of 15.</p> <p>R13's Order Summary Report, dated 04/17/24 and found in the EMR under the Orders tab, indicated orders for the resident's blood sugar to be obtained twice daily.</p> <p>R13's Medication Administration Record (MAR), dated 04/01/24 through 04/17/24 and found in the EMR under the Orders tab, indicated the blood sugar testing was being administered routinely per physician's orders.</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 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Registered Nurse (RN1) was observed administering R13's's medication on 04/17/24 at 8:13 AM. RN1 obtained the blood glucometer, used for all residents receiving blood sugar checks, from the medication cart and proceeded to the resident's room to administer his medication and obtain his blood sugar. RN1 placed the glucometer on the resident's overbed table, without a clean barrier between the glucometer and the un-sanitized surface of the overbed table, while administering the resident's oral medication. RN1 then used the glucometer to obtain the resident's blood glucose level prior to returning to the medication cart. RN1 wiped the glucometer for approximately three seconds with an alcohol prep pad prior to placing the glucometer back into the medication cart. A facility approved sanitizer was not observed to be used to properly sanitize the glucometer prior to or after use for R13.</p> <p>During an interview with RN1 on 04/17/24 at 8:38 AM, RN1 stated she always used an alcohol prep pad to sanitize the blood glucometer before and after use and was not aware she was to use a clean barrier when placing the glucometer on an un-sanitized surface in a resident's room. RN1 showed the surveyor a container of Sani-Wipe disinfectant wipes she obtained from the bottom drawer of the medication cart and stated, We can use this (to sanitize the glucometer) or we can use an alcohol pad. I use the alcohol pad.</p> <p>During an interview with the Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) on 04/17/24 at 09:51 AM, the ADON confirmed R13 was the only resident receiving blood glucose monitoring via the glucometer on the medication cart at the time of the survey and stated her expectation was facility glucometers were to be sanitized with the facility's approved sanitizing solution (Sani-Wipe) and then was expected to be allowed to dry for the two minutes indicated on the product instructions for use prior to and after each resident's blood glucose was obtained to ensure all pathogens on the surface of the machine were eliminated. She stated her expectation was a clean barrier was always to be used when placing a glucometer down on any un-sanitized surface.</p>		