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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Wheatcrest Hills Healthcare Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1311 Vander Horck St Britton, SD 57430	
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F 0686 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Provide appropriate pressure ulcer care and prevent new ulcers from developing. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview, record review, and policy review the provider failed to identify and implement pressure ulcer (skin and/or underlying tissue injury due to prolonged pressure) preventative interventions for residents identified at risk for developing pressure ulcers for:*One of one sampled resident (9) who developed a stage IV (4; open wound with full-thickness skin and tissue loss. Bone, tendon, or muscle may be visible) pressure ulcer to her right buttocks.*One of one sampled resident (27) who developed a stage II (2; open wound or blister with partial-thickness skin loss) pressure ulcer to the side of her right foot. Findings include:1. Observation on 12/1/25 at 2:42 p.m. of resident 27 in her room revealed:*She was sitting in her recliner with her feet elevated.*She had Prevalon boots (a cushioned boot that floats the heel off the surface of the mattress, to help reduce pressure) on both of her feet.*There was an air-mattress with elevated sides on her bed.*She had a heel floatation cushion (a triangle shaped wedge used to float the heels off the mattress, to help reduce pressure) on her bed.Observation and interview on 12/3/25 at 3:13 p.m. of resident 27's right foot with licensed practical nurse (LPN) D revealed:*LPN D stated resident 27 had recurring blisters and skin issues on her feet and legs.*Resident 27's right foot had a pinpoint area of light red surrounded by a pale skin color that was located on the middle outer part of her foot.*LPN D verified that was the location the blister and pressure ulcer had been located.*She had the heel floatation cushion to elevate her feet off the mattress for a long time.*The Prevalon boots were started after the blister was identified on the side of her right foot.*LPN D stated that resident 278 could not have raise her feet or adjust her positioning independently and without assistance from the staff.Review of resident 27's electronic medical record (EMR) revealed:*She was admitted on [DATE].*Her 12/3/25 Brief Interview of Mental Status (BIMS) assessment score was 3, which indicated she was severely cognitively impaired.*Her diagnoses included weakness, polymyalgia rheumatica (muscle pain and stiffness mainly in the neck, shoulders, and hips), and dementia (a group of symptoms affecting memory, thinking, and social abilities).*A 10/17/25 progress note stated, CNA [certified nursing assistant] reported resident had blister to right foot located on outer foot. Residents [Resident's] foot was resting on heel lift wedge [heel floatation cushion]. Assessed resident, fluid filled blister located on outer right foot with darkened area to the side that was non-blanchable [skin redness that does not change to white when pressed]. Area measured 1 cm [centimeter]x [by] 2.5 cm. Applied betadine [a product used to prevent infection]. Resident foot was resting on the heel lift wedge. Educated staff to make sure feet are placed properly on wedge and feet are floating. Notified [medical provider] and daughter.*The Prevalon boots were initiated on 10/21/25.-These were initiated three days after the identification of the pressure ulcer to her right foot.*Review of her 12/2/25 care plan revealed:- She was identified as requiring substantial assistance or being dependent on one to two staff with her bed mobility, dressing, personal hygiene, and toileting.-She required a full body mechanical lift (a mechanical lift and sling used to lift a person's full body) with assistance of two staff members for all transfers.*An undated skin report of resident 27's right outer foot documented the wound was a stage II pressure ulcer to her right outer foot that measured 2.5 cm x 1 cm.*10/28/25 and 11/5/25 the staff documented on the skin reports that the wound was a stage (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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F 0812 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Procure food from sources approved or considered satisfactory and store, prepare, distribute and serve food in accordance with professional standards. Based on observation, interview, and policy review the provider failed to ensure proper hand washing and glove use was followed during two of two observed meal services in the kitchen and dining room. Finding include: 1. Observation on 12/1/25 at 5:21 p.m. in the kitchen revealed: *Food and Nutrition Services (FANS) [NAME] I had gloves on, measured the temperature of the peas boiling on the stove, opened a sanitizer wipe and wiped off the thermometer. *He: -Threw the wipe away and removed his gloves. -Did not wash his hands. -Put on a new pair of gloves. -Measured the temperature of the pot roast at 174 degrees, put a pair of oven mitts over his gloves and moved the pot roast into the warming table. -Took off the oven mitts and opened the oven door with the same gloved hands he measured the temperature of the baked potatoes at 207 degrees. -Put another oven mitt over his left gloved hand and put the baked potatoes on the steam table. -Removed the oven mitt and then picked up the thermometer with the same gloves on and measured the temperature of the peas at 201 degrees. -Removed his gloves and through them into the garbage. -He did not wash his hands. *Without washing his hands he put on another pair of gloves and started removing the tinfoil from around the baked potatoes. *He removed his gloves and did not wash his hands. *Put on a new pair of gloves and sliced the homemade buns. *With the same gloves on he opened a drawer and took the serving utensils out, and set them on the steam table. *Opened another cupboard and took out the plates for the supper meal. *Picked up the thermometer and sanitized it, and took the temperature of a baked potato again. *With the same gloved hands he picked up a pen and documented the food temperatures. (continued on next page)		

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F 0812 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	*Pulled a container of cheese slices out of the fridge, grabbed a frying pan off the shelf, and put the frying pan on the stove. *He removed his gloves and washed his hands. *Put gloves on and plated the first supper tray using tongs and a strainer. *With the same gloved hands he opened a can of chili and put it in a bowl. *He placed that bowl in the microwave. *Opened a bag of bread, and with the same gloves on, removed two pieces of bread, brushed melted butter on them, and put them in the frying pan with a piece of cheese to make a grilled cheese sandwich. *He took the bowl of chili out of the microwave and put it on a plate. *Used a spatula to plate the grilled cheese. *With the same gloves on, he held the grilled cheese sandwich down to cut it in half. *He went to a cupboard, retrieved serving bowls, and picked up a spoon to scoop peas in. *With the same gloves on, he opened a bag of buns and took one out. *He Opened the bun, put a piece of cheese on it, and put it on a plate. *He continued to pick up each baked potato with the same gloves on as he plated the rest of the residents' meals. 2. Interview on 12/1/25 at 6:29 p.m. with FANS cook I revealed: * He knew he should not touch surfaces and then touch ready to eat foods. *He should have washed his hands every time he changed his gloves. *He agreed he had not washed his hands when he changed gloves. 3. Interview on 12/2/25 at 9:44 a.m. with FANS manager F regarding glove use and hand washing in the kitchen revealed: *She preferred that kitchen staff only use gloves when handling ready-to-eat foods. *She agreed that kitchen staff should wash their hands before, between, and after using gloves. *She confirmed the dietary staff do annual training for glove use and hand hygiene. 4. Interview on 12/2/25 at 10:06 a.m. with registered dietitian G revealed: (continued on next page)		

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F 0812 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	*She would expect dietary staff to follow the policy. *She would observe dietary staff for hand hygiene and glove use when she was at the building. *Dietary staff should wash hands before, between, and after glove use. 5. Observation on 12/1/25 at 5:51 p.m. in the dining room revealed: *Certified nursing assistant (CNA) Q set up resident 3's meal at the table, returned to the kitchen serving window, put her hands on her hips, took resident 31's food tray and prepared his meal at the table. -She did not perform hand hygiene before or after assisting resident 3 with his meal setup. -She did not perform hand hygiene after putting her hands on her hips and before assisting resident 31 with setting up his meal. 6. Observation on 12/1/25 at 6:09 p.m. in the dining room revealed: *Food and nutrition services (FANS) cook I picked up a dinner roll with his gloved hand. *With the same gloved hand, he picked up a bowl of pudding and placed it on a resident's meal tray. *He then used the same gloved hand to pick up plates and use a scoop to put food on residents' plates. 7. Observation on 12/1/25 at 6:14 p.m. in the dining room revealed: *CNA/certified medication aide (CMA) M had her hands resting on her hips and served resident 19 her meal without having performed hand hygiene. *CNA M swiped her hair out of her face, served resident 34 her food without having performed hand hygiene. *She then served another resident her food, which included applying butter to her potato, without having performed hand hygiene. 8. Observation on 12/1/25 at 6:20 p.m. in the dining room revealed: *CNA L served and set up meals for residents 13, 25, and 26 without having performed hand hygiene before or after serving each resident. *He then looked in the drawers in the dining room for sugar packets and drinking straws. *Without having performed hand hygiene he served resident 12 her meal. 9. Observation in the dining room on 12/2/25 at noon meal service revealed: *Hairdresser P was walking around, touching residents' shoulders then she gave two residents a cup (continued on next page)		

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F 0812 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	of hot water. -She did not perform hand hygiene before or after getting hot water for the two residents. *Hairdresser P then touched resident 19's shoulder, picked up resident 19's bread with her bare hand and applied butter on resident 19's bread and set it on the table beside her plate. -She did not perform hand hygiene prior to or after touching the bread. *Hairdresser P adjusted the waistline of her pants, did not perform hand hygiene, picked up a resident's chicken leg with her bare hand and cut the meat off the chicken leg with a knife. -She wiped her hands on a paper towel and did not perform hand hygiene. *Hairdresser P walked over to resident 18's table, picked up resident 18's chicken leg with her bare hand and cut the meat off the chicken leg with a knife. -She wiped her hands with a paper towel and did not perform hand hygiene. 10. Interview on 12/3/25 at 3:20 p.m. with staff development registered nurse (RN) director of nursing (DON) B revealed: *She expected staff to perform hand hygiene after touching surfaces, before assisting a resident. *She stated it was a good idea to perform hand hygiene between each resident while passing meal trays. 11. Interview on 12/4/25 at 9:45 a.m. with RN C revealed: *She said staff were to perform hand hygiene between each resident when they served meals. *Staff were to perform hand hygiene after they touched surfaces and before serving the next meal tray to a resident. 12. Interview on 12/4/25 at 10:38 a.m. with CNA N revealed that staff should have performed hand hygiene between each resident while they passed meal trays. 13. Review of the provider's August 2025 Handwashing/Hand Hygiene policy revealed: *Personnel follow the handwashing/hand hygiene procedures to help prevent the spread of infections to other personnel, residents, and visitors, *Hand hygiene is performed as soon as feasible, after hands become contaminated and frequently during the working day. Examples of situations when hand hygiene is performed, included but is not limited to . b. When hands are visibly soiled (soap and water). c. Before and after direct contact with a resident (for which hand hygiene is indicated by standard (continued on next page)		

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F 0880 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview, record review, and policy review the provider failed to ensure:*One of one certified nursing assistant (CNA)/certified medication aide (CMA) (M) and one of one licensed practical nurse (LPN) (D) performed hand hygiene with medication administration for five of five missed opportunities.*One of one LPN (D) wore a gown while she assessed a wound on a resident (36) who was on enhanced barrier precautions (EBP) (glove and gown use when providing contact care).Findings include: 1. Observation on 12/1/25 at 2:11 p.m. of resident 36's room revealed:*On the outside of resident 36's room door was a sign that indicated she was on EBP.*There were gowns in a hanging device behind resident 36's door.*In addition to the gowns in the hanging device there were shoes in some of the compartments.2. Interview on 12/1/25 at 2:11 p.m. with resident 10 revealed:*She was resident 36's roommate.*When resident 10 was asked if staff wore gowns when they provided her cares, she stated the gowns were for her roommate.*She then stated, without having been asked a question that staff did not wear gowns when they provided care for resident 36.*She stated the shoes in the hanging device belonged to resident 36. She had placed them there thinking it was a shoe hanger and the staff did not remove them.3. Observation and interview on 12/1/25 at 4:30 p.m. with resident 36 revealed she:*Had a urinary catheter (flexible tubing placed in the bladder to drain urine) hanging below her wheelchair.*Stated she had a wound on her buttocks.*Stated staff wore gloves when they transferred her, helped her get dressed and undressed, and emptied her urinary catheter but they did not wear a gown.4. Review of resident 36's electronic medical record (EMR) revealed:*She was admitted on [DATE].*She had a 9/17/25 Brief Interview of Mental Status (BIMS) assessment score of 15, which indicated she was cognitively intact.*Her care plan was updated on 9/16/25 to include her urinary catheter and on 11/19/25 to include EBP.5. Observation and interview on 12/2/25 at 1:46 p.m. with resident 9 revealed:*On the outside of resident 9's room door was a sign that indicated she was on EBP.*Inside her room were gowns and gloves in a hanging device behind her door.*Resident 9 stated she had an open wound on her buttocks.*Resident 9 stated that staff used to wear a gown and gloves when they provided care for her, but now the staff had only used gloves.*Staff had not worn a gown during the dressing changes to her wound. They only wore gloves.6. Review of resident 9's EMR revealed:*She was admitted on [DATE].*She was on EBP due to a wound her to her right buttocks.*Her 11/8/25 BIMS assessment score was 15, which indicated she was cognitively intact.*She had a scheduled dressing change to her right buttocks since 4/8/25.7. Observation and interview on 12/3/25 at 9:58 a.m. with LPN D in resident 36's room revealed she:*Entered the resident's room, washed her hands and applied gloves. She did not put on a gown.*Explained to the resident that she was there to assess the wound on her buttocks.*Rolled the resident towards her causing the resident's bare skin to come in contact with her uniform.*Explained that the wound that she was resolved but there was a new open area on resident her right buttocks.*Rolled resident 36 back onto her back, removed her gloves and washed her hands.8. Observation on 12/3/25 during morning medication pass with CNA/CMA M revealed:*At 7:59 a.m. she did not perform hand hygiene before preparing the medication for resident 32.*At 8:03 a.m. she did not perform hand hygiene before preparing the medication for resident 24.*At 8:07 a.m. she did not perform hand hygiene after administering the medications to resident 24.*At 8:08 a.m. she did not perform hand hygiene before preparing the medications for resident 19.9. Observation on 12/3/25 at 8:27 a.m. of LPN D revealed:*She applied gloves, without performing hand hygiene.*She administered an insulin injection to resident 7.*She removed her gloves, and did not perform hand hygiene.10. Interview on 12/3/25 at 3:20 p.m. with staff development registered nurse (RN)/director of nursing (DON) B revealed:*She stated residents with wounds, urinary catheters and feeding tubes were to be on EBP.*The residents on EBP were identified by a sign on the resident's room door.*When a resident was on EBP staff were to wear a gown and gloves with all high contact (continued on next page)		

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F 0880 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	resident cares.*Staff development RN/DON B verified assessing a resident wound would be considered a high contact resident care.*Hand hygiene was to be performed for entering a room, after leaving a room, after assisting a resident, after touching surfaces in a resident's room, and before and after the use of gloves.*Hand hygiene was to be performed before preparing medications and after administering the medication to a resident.11. Interview on 12/4/25 at 9:45 a.m. with RN C revealed:*She said staff were to perform hand hygiene when they changed gloves, left a resident room, or touched surfaces within a resident room.*A resident with a catheter or a wound were to be on EBP.*A gown and gloves were to be worn during high contact cares when a resident was on EBP.*She verified catheter care and wound care were high contact resident cares.12. Interview on 12/4/25 at 10:38 a.m. with CNA N revealed:*A resident would be on EBP if they had a wound, urinary catheter, or colostomy.*If a resident was on EBP staff were to wear a gown and gloves for all high contact resident cares such as wound care, urinary catheter care, personal cares, transfers, toileting, or bathing that resident.13. Review of the provider's August 2025 Handwashing/Hand Hygiene policy revealed:* Personnel follow the handwashing/hand hygiene procedures to help prevent the spread of infections to other personnel, residents, and visitors,* Hand hygiene is performed as soon as feasible, after hands become contaminated and frequently during the working day. Examples of situations when had hygiene is performed, included but is not limited to .b. When hands are visibly soiled (soap and water).c. Before and after direct contact with a resident (for which hand hygiene is indicated by standard precautions and acceptable professional practice).d. Before and after assisting a resident with personal care activities. (e.g. oral care, incontinent care, dressing, grooming, bathing).g. Following contact with a resident's intact skin during provisions of care (e.g. obtaining vital signs, assisting with transfer of lift).h. Before preparing or handling medications.i. Before and after dressing change/wound care.m. Between body sites during provisions of care (e.g. when moving from potentially contaminated site to clean sites).n. After contact with blood or bodily fluids.q. After contact with potentially contaminated surfaces or items in the resident's environment.		

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F 0700 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Try different approaches before using a bed rail. If a bed rail is needed, the facility must (1) assess a resident for safety risk; (2) review these risks and benefits with the resident/representative; (3) get informed consent; and (4) Correctly install and maintain the bed rail. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview, record review, and policy review, the provider failed to ensure the safety and prevention for potential entrapment or injury for four of four sampled residents (1, 9, 15, and 27) who had side rails on their bed, and had documented alternatives attempted prior to the installation of side rails for two of two (1 and 15) sampled residents who were recently admitted .Findings include: 1. Observation on 12/1/25 at 2:50 p.m. of resident 9's room revealed: *She had a side rail on the left side of the head of her bed. *The side rail was upside down U-shaped and the opening within the side rail measured seven inches wide by 17 inches high. *The side rail was attached to a wooden board under the resident's air mattress and secured to the bed with a black strap. Observation and interview on 12/1/25 at 4:51 p.m. with resident 9 in her room revealed: *She used the side rail to reposition herself in bed and to help her sit up. *She had an air mattress on the bed, it was not secured and easily moved from side to side. *When the air mattress moved there was a five-inch space between the air mattress and the side rail. -The gap created the potential for entrapment or an injury to occur. *She denied having had a body part trapped within her side rail or between her side rail and the mattress. *She stated the facility had provided the side rail for her and installed it on her bed. Review of resident 9's electronic medical record (EMR) revealed: *She was admitted on [DATE]. *Her 11/8/25 Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) assessment score was 15, which indicated she was cognitively intact. *There was an informed consent signed for a side rail on 6/26/23 by resident 9. *There were no evaluations for resident safety related to potential entrapment risk documented in resident 9's EMR. 2. Observation and interview on 12/1/25 at 2:54 p.m. with resident 1 in his room revealed: (continued on next page)		

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F 0700 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	*There was a white side rail on the right side of the head of his bed that had openings within the it that were not outside the recommended guidance for size of an opening within a side rail to prevent entrapment and injury. *Resident 1 was lying in his bed with the head of the bed elevated. *Resident 1 stated he used the side rail for repositioning while he was in bed and to transfer in and out of bed. *He stated the side rail was installed on his bed shortly after he was admitted . Review of resident 1's EMR revealed: *He was admitted on [DATE]. *His 11/26/25 BIMS assessment score was 15, which indicated he was cognitively intact. *Resident 1 had given verbal consent for the side rail on 8/26/25. *The 8/28/25 Device and Bed Rail/Enabler Evaluation assessment stated that the interventions attempted before the installation of the side rail were not applicable due to resident 1 having been a new admission to the facility. *There were no evaluations for resident safety related to potential entrapment risk documented in resident 1's EMR. 3. Observation and interview on 12/1/25 at 4:39 p.m. of resident 15 in her room revealed: *She was lying in her bed with the head of the bed elevated. *She had bilateral side rails. *She did not use them much, but they did help her to roll over. Review of resident 15's EMR revealed: *Her BIMS assessment score was 15, which indicated he was cognitively intact. *Device and Bed Rail/Bed Enabler Evaluations were completed on 7/25/25, 8/19/25, and 10/23/25. *The evaluations did not indicate what measures were tried before implementing the side rail. *No documentation was found for the risk of entrapment to be evaluated by the provider before implementation of side rails. 4. Observation and interview on 12/1/25 at 4:46p.m. with resident 27 in her room revealed: *There was a side rail on the left side of the head of her bed. (continued on next page)		

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F 0700 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	*The side rail was upside down U-shaped and the opening within the side rail measured seven inches wide by 17 inches high. *Resident 27 did not know if she used the side rail for repositioning in bed or to assist her in and out of bed. Review of resident 27's EMR revealed: *She was admitted on [DATE]. *She had a 9/12/25 BIMS assessment score of 8, which indicated she was moderately cognitively impaired. *Her 12/2/25 care plan stated BED MOBILITY: The resident is able to turn/reposition self. May occasionally need staff to cue. Grab bar [side rail] to bed to assist with positioning/transfers Date Initiated: 11/2/2022. *There was an informed consent signed for a side rail on 2/23/23 signed by resident 27. *There were no evaluations for resident safety related to potential entrapment risk documented in resident 27's EMR. 5. Review of the maintenance Beds- Electric December 2024 & December 2025 work history report, documents and logbook revealed: *The maintenance monthly bed check included: -Inspect connectors on rails and tighten as necessary. -Remove any burs or rough edges to prevent injury. -Verify the function of the spring latch-knob assembly, if applicable. Ensure the latch is free of dirt and/ or foreign materials that could impair its function. -Ensure that the rails engage and lock as specified. -Tighten, adjust or replace any parts such as end caps, knobs, bolts, screws, etc. that are loose, show signs of wear or are missing. *The maintenance checklist had not included safety risk assessments to ensure the mattress and side rails fit properly for the prevention of injury or entrapment. 6. Observation and interview on 12/3/25 at 1:19 p.m. with maintenance supervisor E revealed: *When maintenance personnel completed the monthly maintenance checks of each bed, they checked to be sure the side rail was secure, functioning properly, and there were no missing or broken items. *Maintenance personnel did not evaluate the side rails for entrapment or potential safety risks. (continued on next page)		

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F 0700 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	*He was not aware that there was guidance for the size specifications of the open areas within a side rail or between the side rail and the mattress to evaluate for potential entrapment and safety risks. *Maintenance supervisor E verified there was a gap between resident 9's side rail and air mattress that was large enough that it posed a risk for a potential entrapment or resident injury. *Maintenance supervisor E grabbed resident 9's air mattress and moved it. He then stated that the air mattress was supposed to be secured to the bed, and it was no longer secure which resulted in the enlarged gap between the air mattress and the side rail. *He verified that the openings within resident 9 and 27's side rails were large enough for a resident's head or other body part to fit through and posed a potential entrapment risk. *He verified he did not have the manufacturer's instructions for resident 9 and 27's side rails. 7. Interview on 12/4/25 at 9:32 a.m. with registered nurse (RN) C related to side rails revealed: *If a resident requested a side rail the staff member would alert the interdisciplinary team (IDT). *If the IDT determined it was appropriate for the requesting resident to have a side rail a work order would be entered into the computer, which would notify maintenance to install the side rail onto that resident's bed. *RN C would then complete a restraint evaluation to determine if the side rail would be a restraint for that resident. *RN C thought the IDT completed the entrapment and safety assessment for the side rails. *RN C verified the side rails on resident 9 and 27's beds had an opening within the side rail that was large enough for a resident's head or other body part to go through and potentially become entrapped in. *She verified that the opening within the side rail had the potential to be a risk for other residents in the facility who could have wandered into resident 9 or 27's rooms. *RN C did not know alternate interventions were to be attempted prior to the installation of a bed rail. *She verified that resident 1 did not have documentation to support that alternate interventions were attempted prior to the installation of his side rail. 8. Interview on 12/4/25 at 11:03 a.m. with administrator A revealed: *If a resident requested a side rail an evaluation would have been completed by the therapy department, an order would have been obtained from the physician for the side rail, and then maintenance would have installed the side rail. *She verified the IDT was involved in the process because they would determine if the side rail was appropriate for that resident before therapy completed their evaluation. (continued on next page)		

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