

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 455714	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 12/20/2024
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<p>F 0678</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide basic life support, including CPR, prior to the arrival of emergency medical personnel , subject to physician orders and the resident's advance directives.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 37059</p> <p>Based on observations, interviews, and record review, the facility failed to ensure personnel provided basic life support, including CPR, to a resident requiring such emergency care prior to the arrival of emergency medical personnel for 1 of 77 residents (CR #1) reviewed for CPR.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RN A failed to call a code blue and obtain assistance from available staff when CR #1 was found unresponsive. This led to a delay of approximately ,d+[DATE] minutes before CPR was started on CR #1. 2. RN A initiated CPR with improper chest compressions and depth during CPR on CR #1 on [DATE]. 3. LVN A failed to place the mask over the resident's nose and mouth, ensuring a good seal. 4. Staff failed to ensure the crash cart had AED pads and was ready for use during CPR on CR #1. This led to a delay of approximately ,d+[DATE] minutes before CPR was started on CR #1. <p>An IJ was identified on [DATE]. The IJ template was provided to the facility on [DATE] at 9:45 a.m. While the IJ was removed on [DATE], the facility remained out of compliance at a scope of isolated with the severity level of actual harm that was not immediate jeopardy because all staff had not been trained on [DATE].</p> <p>These failures placed residents at risk of experiencing worsening of condition, extended pain, and death from possible delays in the initiation of an emergency response and improper implementation of CPR.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Record review of CR #1's face sheet dated [DATE] revealed she was a [AGE] year-old female who was admitted to the facility on [DATE]. CR #1's diagnoses included respiratory failure, Crohn's disease (swelling and irritation of the tissues in the digestive tract), Asperger's syndrome (neurodevelopment disability that affects the ability to effectively interact and communicate with people), cirrhosis of the liver (liver damage from conditions such as hepatitis B or C, or chronic alcohol use), gastroesophageal reflux (condition in which stomach acid moves up into the esophagus, causing heartburn), pneumonia, and malnutrition. She was discharged to a medical examiner after she died on [DATE].</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 0678</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Record review of CR #1's 5-day MDS dated [DATE] revealed she had a BIMS score of 00 (severe cognitive impairment); CR #1 ambulated via wheelchair; and CR #1 was dependent for ADL's (eating, toileting, shower, oral hygiene, and dressing).</p> <p>Record review of CR #1's care plan meeting, dated [DATE] revealed the following in part:</p> <p>. [CR#1] will remain full code. [CR #1] does not have a POA .</p> <p>Record review of progress notes dated [DATE] at 10:50 a.m. by MA A revealed the following:</p> <p>cant [can't] swallow notified nurse [RN A]</p> <p>Record review of progress notes dated [DATE] at 12:34 p.m. by RN A revealed the following in part:</p> <p>.Change of Condition Identified: leukocytosis (above the normal range of white blood cells) . [PCP] present and visited resident [CR #1] .</p> <p>What do you think is going on with the resident: Resident lab results show WBC 22.1. [PCP] present and visited resident. New orders received as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) CXR 1-V & UA w/ C&S 2) Ceftriazone (antibiotic that is used to treat many kinds of bacterial infections, including severe or life-threatening)1gm IV QD x7 days 3) May place midline for ABX therapy 4) Levothyroxine (used to treat hypothyroidism - underactive thyroid) 50mg PO QD <p>(RP) notified of new orders and gave verbal consent for midline placement.</p> <p>Physician Notified: [PCP], [DATE] 12:00 PM</p> <p>Record review of CR #1's progress notes dated [DATE] by RN A revealed the follow in part:</p> <p>[CR #1] was observed unresponsive sitting in wheelchair. [CR #1] was confirmed full code, transferred to bed, and CPR was called. 911 was called @1321 [1:21 p.m.] which EMS arrived to room shortly after. EMS continued life saving measures. [Family member] was notified of resident's condition [CR #1] was pronounced deceased @1351 [1:51 p.m.] per EMS personnel. Resident was last seen alive between , d+[DATE]:30 [12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.] during lunchtime sitting in wheelchair .</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0678</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Initiator: discovered resident, check vitals, called for help, started chest compressions. o Announcer: was code announced overhead o Leader: was control taken and directives given o Recorder: was documentation initiated o PPW (paperwork): was direction given to start paperwork for transfer? (copy of face sheet, etc.) o AED: was the AED initiated when brought [brought] to the scene? o Compressions: was compressions started at discovery and continued until arrival of AED? o Ventilations: was oxygen delivery via Ambu setup and started when emergency cart arrived <p>Observation on [DATE] at 1:30 p.m. of Mock Code Blue - regarding the CPR procedure, checking code status before initiating CPR, assessing resident's pulse before initiating CPR, initiating CPR on residents who are full code and are without pulse, not initiating CPR on residents with a faint pulse, and administering oxygen via Ambu bag . No concerns with the mock code.</p> <p>Record review of Mock Code Blue inservice dated [DATE] at 9:30 a.m. revealed all facility staff were educated by a Regional Respiratory Manager regarding checking the crash cart, stocking the crash cart, AED use/location, steps of CPR, crash cart key location, clean up after and restocking, roles of staff during an emergency situation (all staff), and a mock code blue.</p> <p>Record review of the facility's document Ad Hoc QAPI dated [DATE] revealed the interdisciplinary team met to discuss CPR, the crash cart, code statuses, staff roles, and the AED.</p> <p>Observation of the two facility crash carts on [DATE] at 1:54 p.m. revealed both were fully stocked and code blue ready, including new AED chest pads visible in the AED and extras in the drawers.</p> <p>Interviews were conducted on [DATE] - [DATE] with staff on all shifts (6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., and 10:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m. CNAs and Nurses) including the Administrator, the DON, RN A (morning shift), LVN A (morning shift), (morning shift), CNA A (morning shift), CNA B (morning shift), LVN C (evening shift), OT A (evening), Shower Tech A (morning shift), CNA C (night shift), CNA E (night shift) LVN F (night shift), LVN D (secure unit morning shift), RT A (morning shift) to verify the in-services were conducted and to validate the staff understanding of the information presented to them. No concerns were found regarding understanding of requirements, training material, and expectations related to code blue, restock crash cart and CPR protocol.</p> <p>The Administrator, the DON, were able to explain the importance of calling codes and using proper terminology when requesting assistance in the event of an emergency, prompt response to an emergency, retrieving the crash cart/AED, and appropriate implementation of the entire CPR process.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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