

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  495356	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  02/24/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Heritage Hall Blacksburg		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  3610 South Main Street Blacksburg, VA 24060	
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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p>Based on observation, resident and staff interview, clinical record review, and facility document review, the facility staff failed to ensure electronic cigarettes (vapes) and/or illicit substances were stored in a manner to prevent misuse from other vulnerable residents and/or a fire hazard for four (4) of four (4) sampled residents, Resident #1, Resident #2, Resident #3, and Resident #4. The findings included: 1. For Resident #1, the facility staff failed to ensure an electronic cigarette (vape) was securely stored. A facility policy titled, Resident Smoking, dated 2/21/24 specified, Smoking and/or vaping is not allowed inside the facility under any circumstances. The policy also specified, All smoking paraphernalia cigarettes, cigars, e cigs, vapes, etc. will not be left in the possession of any resident at any time. These items must be kept at the nurse's station or locked inside the med room or additional locked safe area designated by the facility. An admission Record indicated the facility admitted Resident #1 on 5/22/23. According to the admission Record, Resident #1 had a medical history that included, but not limited to hemiplegia and hemiparesis following cerebral infarction affecting left non-dominant side, generalized muscle weakness, and chronic kidney disease stage 3. A quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) with an assessment reference date (ARD) of 11/26/25, revealed Resident #1 had a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) summary score of 15, which indicated the resident had intact cognition. Resident #1's comprehensive person-centered care plan included a focus area revised on 11/19/24, that indicated Resident #1 was an active smoker with a history of non-compliance with the smoking policy and had lost smoking privileges in the past due to non-compliance. Interventions included Ensure smoking items are stored correctly per policy. Resident #1's Safe Smoking Assessment completed 2/18/26 did not address the use of an electronic cigarette or vape. During an interview on 2/23/26 at 3:10 PM, Resident #1 stated he vaped and kept his vape in his room and charged it without staff assistance. On 2/23/26 at 6:00 PM, the administrator was informed that Resident #1 reported having a vape in his room and charged it without staff assistance. The administrator provided a copy of a facility letter issued to and signed by Resident #1 dated 4/2/24 which indicated the intent of this letter is to reiterate the smoking policy. Residents are not allowed to keep any smoke materials (vapes, cigarettes, lighters, etc.). You have, again, been found with smoke materials on your person. Smoking is a privilege in this facility. Please know that if you are found to have any further smoke materials on your person or in your room your privilege to smoke at our facility will be rescinded. The letter also included a handwritten note dated 4/11/2024 indicating Found with another vape [no] smoking privileges now. On 2/24/26 at 8:58 AM, the administrator stated all vapes and chargers were to be kept secure by the activities department. The facility Activities Director (AD) was interviewed on 2/24/26 at 9:53 AM. The AD stated vapes are to be used at smoking times only and are kept in the activities department and locked. AD stated vapes were charged in the activities office while staff were working. AD stated they had heard residents have vapes, but she had never witnessed it, and they preached about the smoking policy. AD stated</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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