

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  505140	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  08/07/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Highland Health and Rehabilitation of Cascadia		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 2400 Samish Way Bellingham, WA 98229	

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<p>F 0725</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Provide enough nursing staff every day to meet the needs of every resident; and have a licensed nurse in charge on each shift.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 33954</b></p> <p>Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure there was sufficient nursing staff for 3 of 4 sampled residents (Residents 1, 2, and 4) reviewed for care and services. The facility had insufficient nursing staff to answer call lights and to provide care and services for a cognitively impaired resident resulting in the residents having unmet needs. These failures placed all residents at risk for accidents and diminished quality of life.</p> <p>Findings included .</p> <p>Definition:</p> <p>Reasonable Person Concept: a standard used to determine whether an individual's actions or responses align with what a hypothetical reasonable person would do under similar circumstances. It defines the behavior expected of an ordinary, prudent, and rational individual.</p> <p>&lt;RESIDENT 1&gt;</p> <p>Resident 1 admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses to include dementia (a condition where a person has a loss of cognitive functioning and has impairments with thinking, remembering and reasoning to such an extent it interferes with their daily life and activities). According to the admission Minimum Data Set (MDS - an assessment tool) assessment, dated 07/31/2024, the resident had severe cognitive impairment, needed or wanted an interpreter to communicate with healthcare staff as English was their second language, and they were dependent (dependent - helper does All of the effort, resident does none of the effort to complete the activity) for oral hygiene, toileting hygiene, upper and lower body dressing, putting on/taking off footwear, and personal hygiene), were frequently incontinent of urine and occasionally incontinent of bowels, and they had a condition or chronic disease that may result in their life expectancy to be less than six months.</p> <p>In an observation/attempted interview on 08/06/2024 at 8:45 AM, Resident 1 was lying in bed, their call light was at the foot of the bed and not within their reach. The lower half of the resident's body was uncovered, their groin and legs were exposed and visible from the doorway, their incontinent brief was off them and laying on the bed. The bedside table with their drinks was positioned away from the bed and not within their reach. The resident was awake, but they did not respond when spoken to. An interpreter was obtained to assist with the interview and Resident 1 was unable answer interview questions appropriately despite the interpreter's assistance.</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 0725</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>In a joint observation on 08/06/2024 at 8:55 AM, Staff A, Director of Nursing (DON), was asked to come in the room to observe the resident. Upon entering Resident 1's room, Staff A observed the resident and immediately left and said they were going to get a nursing assistant.</p> <p>In an interview on 08/06/2024 at 9:45 AM, Staff A, DON, was asked their impression of the observation of Resident 1 on 08/06/2024 at 8:55 AM, they stated that it was disappointing but not out of the norm for the resident as they have had rejections of cares, they throw items, they undressed themselves, they threw their call light, and there was a language barrier.</p> <p>Based on the Reasonable Person Concept, a reasonable person in Resident 1's condition would not have wanted to be left with their legs and groin uncovered and visible from the doorway, they would have wanted their call light to be within their reach, and they would have wanted their bedside table with their drinks to be within their reach.</p> <p>&lt;RESIDENT 2&gt;</p> <p>Resident 2 admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses to include a below the knee amputation, bipolar disorder (a disorder that causes extreme mood swings that includes emotional highs and lows (depression), psychosis, morbid obesity, difficulty in walking, generalized muscle weakness and abnormalities of gait and mobility. According to the quarterly MDS assessment, dated 06/28/2024, the resident had no cognitive impairment.</p> <p>Review of Resident 2's care plan, print date 08/07/2024, showed they were at risk for falls due to impaired mobility.</p> <p>Review of an incident investigation, dated 06/05/2024, showed Resident 2 complained their call light had been on for over an hour. The facility concluded the resident was having increased behaviors and was manipulating staff with contributing factors of lack of communication between nursing assistants at lunch and break times and there was a miscommunication about who was supposed to be answering the resident's call light during a break.</p> <p>In an interview on 08/06/2024 at 12:35 PM, Resident 2 was asked about the incident where their call light went unanswered by staff for over an hour, they stated it was on dayshift, They couldn't get help, so they ended up having a bowel movement their pants. Resident 2 stated just that morning, I ended up peeing in my pants after they waited over 20 minutes for help to come take them to the bathroom and no staff came. Resident 2 stated call lights taking too long was not specific to a certain shift or day, but it happened a lot. Resident 2 stated there was just not enough help here.</p> <p>In an interview on 08/07/2024 at 9:03 AM, Staff A, DON, stated she had talked to Resident 2, and they were trying to figure out a solution for their toileting needs.</p> <p>&lt;RESIDENT 4&gt;</p> <p>Resident 4 admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses to include a fractured vertebra, generalized muscle weakness, difficulty in walking, and a history of falls. According to the admission MDS assessment, dated 05/16/2024, the resident had no cognitive impairments, they had a history of a fall in the last month prior to admission, and had a fracture related to a fall six months prior to admission.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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