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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 505188	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/01/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Life Care Center of Federal Way		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1045 South 308th Street Federal Way, WA 98003	
For information on the nursing home's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the nursing home or the state survey agency.			
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F 0697 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Provide safe, appropriate pain management for a resident who requires such services. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to implement a policy and procedures to assess and manage pain for 1 of 3 Residents (Resident 1) reviewed for pain management. The failure to thoroughly assess resident pain on admission, develop an individualized care plan (CP) in collaboration with the resident, their representative and practitioner, implement the CP, monitor for adverse consequences, notify the resident representative of medication changes, and document resident conditions, placed residents at risk for untreated pain, medication overdose, hospitalization, and diminished quality of life. Findings included. <Facility Policy> Review of the 09/23/2025 revised Pain Assessment and Management Policy showed all residents would be assessed for pain indicators on admission, quarterly, and with any change in condition; an individualized pain management CP would be developed and initiated when pain indicators were identified. The policy showed the facility would collaborate with the prescriber, the resident and/or the resident representative (RR) to develop, implement, monitor, and revise resident-specific interventions to manage pain using medication and non-pharmacological approaches, monitor for effectiveness and side effects. Residents who were prescribed opioid medication would be assessed for the risk of overdose and dependence, when opioids were combined with benzodiazepines the facility would identify and document clinical indications and implement close monitoring for adverse consequences. <Resident 1> Review of the 04/13/2026 admission nursing assessment showed Resident 1 had cognitive impairment, English was not their primary language, was wheelchair bound, required total assistance by staff for mobility and hygiene, had no pain at the time of assessment, and was prescribed an opioid pain medication as needed. The pain assessment did not show a diagnosis for pain, location, effects on quality of life, or non-pharmacological methods of pain relief. Review of the April 2026 care plan for Resident 1 showed no focus area or interventions for Resident 1's pain management. Review of the April 2026 Medication Administration Record (MAR) showed Resident 1 was admitted on [DATE], had diagnoses of pain in one hip, both knees and unspecified bilateral leg pain, and was on pain monitoring every shift. Medications prescribed on admission were routine medication for neurological leg pain, a routine topical pain patch for legs, a mild analgesic as needed and an opioid medication every six hours as needed. The opioid medication was administered three times, twice on 04/14/2026 for pain level 8/10 and 7/10, both doses were documented as effective, one dose on 04/15/2026 for pain level 10/10 and was documented as effective. Review of a 04/15/2026 practitioner initial evaluation note showed a review of past medical history including leg pain. The practitioner assessment note showed Resident 1 was in bed, no acute distress, alert and oriented, able to make needs known, pain level of 2 that morning, with plan of continuing current pain management with opioid and neurological pain medication and noted a medication for anxiety in the medication class of benzodiazepines. The note concluded that nursing had no concerns and directed continued monitoring of Resident 1. Review of a 04/15/2026 medication order change showed the opioid medication as needed was discontinued and changed to a routine opioid dose three times a day. Review of the nursing progress notes from 04/15/2026 to 04/17/2026 showed no documentation of change of condition in Resident 1's pain or reason for change in the pain medication directions. Review of the April 2026 MAR showed the opioid (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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