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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 505195	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/10/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER North Auburn Care		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 2830 I Street Northeast Auburn, WA 98002	
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F 0600 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to protect the residents right to be free from neglect when it failed to provide goods and services that were necessary to avoid physical harm, pain, mental anguish, and emotional distress for 1 of 5 residents (Resident 1) reviewed for admission and rehospitalization. The failure to identify Resident 1 required a wound vacuum (WV - specialized equipment for wound care that applies negative pressure to the wound to manage drainage and promote healing) to treat a surgical wound on admission, ensure nursing staff had the skill set and supplies to manage the WV, and implement monitoring of the operation of the WV, placed Resident 1 at risk for impaired wound healing, infection, and rehospitalization. Findings included. Review of the 03/10/2026 Facility Assessment (FA - a tool used to conduct a facility-wide assessment of the resident profile, services and care offered, and resources needed to provide competent care to residents) showed the facility would review the medical records for all referred residents for admission, prior to acceptance to the facility. The FA showed a resident requiring surgical wound care could be admitted to the facility. The FA did not show if the facility could manage a resident with a WV. The FA showed if a new diagnosis determined additional staff training, in-service training would be provided for staff. The FA showed staff would be trained and assessed for competency to provide specialized care, including wound care and wound dressings. Review of the 06/03/2026 hospital discharge summary showed Resident 1 had surgery on their right hip with complications. The summary showed after surgery Resident 1 had increased drainage from the surgical wound requiring a WV and medications to prevent infection. The discharge summary showed Resident 1 was stable and planned to discharge to a skilled nursing facility for therapy and nursing management. The discharge summary did not provide any instructions for monitoring or maintaining the WV. Review of a 06/03/2026 Nursing admission Assessment showed Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on evening shift on 06/03/2026 from the hospital after hip surgery, the assessing nurse documented Resident 1 had a surgical wound on their right hip with a wound bag. Review of the physician orders for 06/03/2026 through 06/04/2026 showed no indication that Resident 1 had a WV for their surgical incision drainage. The physician orders did not provide any directions to staff to monitor Resident 1's surgical site for drainage into the WV canister or to monitor the WV to ensure it was functioning. A 06/03/2026 nurse progress note showed Resident 1 was entered into the medical record to one room and needed to be changed to another room. This was the only nurse note entered on 06/03/2026 to describe the admission of Resident 1 to the facility; there was no documentation of the WV. A 06/04/2026 5:41 AM nurse progress note showed Resident 1 was alert and oriented, two-person assist for care, had pain in right leg, and wound bag was intact. There was no further assessment or monitoring of Resident 1. A 06/04/2026 4:33 PM nurse progress note showed the nurse manager documented Resident 1's WV was beeping, when checked it was full, canister was changed, line patent, and suctioning well. There was no documentation regarding the assessment of the wound, drainage, pain, notification of the doctor, or Resident 1's condition. A 06/04/2026 doctor visit note showed Resident 1 required skilled therapy after surgery for functional limitations, limited weight (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.

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE	TITLE	(X6) DATE
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F 0726 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Ensure that nurses and nurse aides have the appropriate competencies to care for every resident in a way that maximizes each resident's well being. Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure 4 of 4 licensed nurse staff (Staff D -Registered Nurse, Staff E - LPN, Licensed Practical Nurse, & Staff F- LPN) and 3 of 6 nurse aide staff (Staff H, I & J) had the specified competencies and skill sets to provide nursing and related services to assure resident safety and attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being for of each resident, as determined by resident assessments and individual plans of care and considering the number, acuity and diagnoses of the facility's resident population in accordance with the facility assessment. This failure placed residents at risk infection, injury, inadequate care, and rehospitization.Findings included.In an interview on 06/10/2026 at 6:35 PM, Staff B (Director of Nursing) and Staff C (Administrator in Training) was asked to provide documentation which showed the facility had verified the competency and skill sets of licensed nurses Staff D, Staff, E, Staff, F and Staff G assigned to provide care to Resident 1's wound vacuum (specialized equipment for wound care that applies negative pressure to the wound to manage drainage and promote healing). Documentation for nurse aides Staff H, Staff I, and Staff J to show they were evaluated and able to demonstrate competency in assisting residents with mobility was requested. None of the documentation requested was provided for Staff D, E, F, G, H, I, or J.In a phone interview on 06/11/2026 at 12:05 PM, Staff A (Interim Administrator) stated it was important for licensed nurses and nurse aides to be trained, and verification of competent skill sets upon hire prior to providing care to residents and annually.Reference: WAC 388-97-1080(1), -1090(1), -1680(1)(2)(a)(b)(i)(ii)(c).		