

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 505263	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/17/2024
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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Immediately tell the resident, the resident's doctor, and a family member of situations (injury/decline/room, etc.) that affect the resident.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 48368</p> <p>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to notify the provider of an elevated heart rate and a low blood pressure for 1 of 3 residents (Resident 4) reviewed for change in condition This failure placed the resident at risk of inappropriate medication dosages, health complications, and timely care of services from the physician, resulting in a delay of treatment.</p> <p>Findings included .</p> <p>Review of a policy titled, Managing Acute Condition Change, dated 07/11, showed: .Assess the resident experiencing an acute change including vital signs .</p> <p>Notify physician without delay .</p> <p><Resident 4></p> <p>Review of the resident's medical record showed the resident was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses including pneumonia (an infection of the lungs that may be caused by bacteria, viruses, or fungi), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (a lung disease causing restricted airflow and breathing problems), and hypertension (high blood pressure - when your blood is pumping with more force than normal through your arteries). The comprehensive assessment dated [DATE] showed the resident had intact cognition and required assistance of one staff member for activities of daily living.</p> <p>Record review of a nursing progress note, dated 05/02/2024, showed vital signs were taken by Staff P, Registered Nurse, with a heart rate of 131 beats per minute ([BPM], normal heart rate range is 60-100) in the supine [lying flat on their back] position, 136 BPM while sitting, and 110 BPM while standing.</p> <p>Record review of a nursing progress note, dated 05/03/2024, showed Resident 4 ' s heart rate was in the 160 ' s (BPM) after one minute of standing and was sent out the Emergency Department (ED) for further evaluation.</p> <p>Record Review of the ED discharge notes, dated 05/03/2024, showed a new onset diagnosis of atrial fibrillation (an irregular heartbeat) and was ordered new medications to control the heart rate.</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 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During an interview on 05/20/2024 at 3:30 PM, Staff P, stated they did not notify the Physician with a change in condition for Resident 4 on 05/02/2024 related to an elevated heart rate. Staff P further stated the normal process was to notify the physician of changes and they did not follow the correct process.</p> <p>Review of a physician ' s order dated, 04/20/2024, showed Resident 4 was to have their blood pressure monitored every day and to notify the physician if the systolic (top number) was less than 100 millimeters of mercury (mmHg-unit of measure).</p> <p>Record Review of Resident 4 ' s April through May 2024 Medication Administration Record, showed staff L, Licensed Practical Nurse, obtained and documented Resident 4 ' s blood pressure on 04/30/2024 with a reading of 96/89 mmHG and 96/69 mmHg (Normal blood pressure range is 120 to 129/ 80-84 mmHg) on 05/01/2024.</p> <p>Record review of the progress notes for April through May 2024, showed no documentation of the physician being notified of Resident 4 ' s systolic blood pressure below 100 mmHg.</p> <p>During an interview on 05/21/2024 at 12:45PM, Staff L, Licensed Practical Nurse, stated they did not recall notifying the Physician and the normal process was to follow the Physician ' s order. Staff L further stated, I did not do that, so the correct process was not followed.</p> <p>During an interview on 05/17/2024 at 12:34 PM, Staff E, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, stated they wrote the specific order with parameters so they would be notified right away for any changes in Resident 4 ' s condition. Staff E stated they were not notified of the abnormal heart rate and low systolic blood pressure. Staff E further stated they would expect for the nurses to follow their orders and notify them as directed, and for any changes of conditions.</p> <p>During an interview on 05/17/2024 at 2:22 PM, Staff B, Interim Director of Nursing Services, stated their expectation was for the nurses to follow the physician ' s orders and to notify the provider with any change in condition. Staff B further stated, we have a broken system.</p> <p>Reference: WAC 388-97-0320</p> <p>44922</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide appropriate treatment and care according to orders, resident's preferences and goals.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 44922</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review the facility failed to ensure residents received physician ordered medication, had necessary laboratory values (labs) drawn as ordered, and received timely treatment for abnormal labs for 4 of 4 residents (Residents 1, 2, 3, and 5) reviewed for quality of care. This failed practice resulted in harm for Residents 1 and 2 when their treatment was delayed, conditions worsened, and required hospitalization . Residents 3 and 5 were at risk for their condition to worsen and experience inaccurate or a delay in treatment.</p> <p>Findings included .</p> <p><Resident 1></p> <p>Review of the resident's medical record showed the resident admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses to include removal of the left leg below the knee and kidney failure. The 04/19/2024 comprehensive assessment, showed the resident's cognition was intact and required one staff assistance for bed mobility and transfers.</p> <p>Review of Resident 1's 04/12/2024 hospital notes, showed the resident was admitted to the hospital, from the facility, for diagnoses to include hyponatremia (decreased level of sodium [salt] in the blood) and an infected abscess (a painful lump filled with pus that can form anywhere on your body due to an infection or injury) to the left buttock. The discharge notes on 04/18/2024 showed the resident was to have weekly blood draws completed to monitor the hyponatremia and the infection, the first one to be drawn on 04/25/2024.</p> <p>Review of Resident 1's April 2024 Medication Administration Record (MAR) showed orders as follows:</p> <p>04/18/2024, obtain weekly labs. Scheduled to be drawn every Thursday morning, first one scheduled for 04/25/2024. The box on the 25th was documented with a 5 (a five means see progress notes, progress notes on 04/25/2024 showed need supplies).</p> <p>04/19/2024, obtain weekly labs. Scheduled to be drawn every seven days, first one scheduled for 04/24/2024. The box on the 24th was blank. (No nursing note to show why the lab had not been obtained).</p> <p>04/24/2024, obtain a Basic Metabolic Panel ([BMP], a blood test that measures eight different substances in your blood [sodium is one of them]). Scheduled to be drawn on 04/27/2024. Lab was drawn. (sodium lab value was low and no documentation to show notification to the provider).</p> <p>05/02/2024, obtain labs on 05/03/2024. Lab was drawn. (no documented notification to the provider for the low sodium level).</p> <p>05/02/2024, Sugar free Gatorade at bedside every shift for hyponatremia (ordered for the low sodium level from 04/27/2024, five days after lab drawn, when provider reviewed abnormal lab results on rounds 05/01/2024).</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Review of the resident's 05/15/2024 hospital discharge summary, showed the resident was sent to the hospital due to an unwitnessed fall out of their bed. During the hospital visit, Resident 5 was found to have an elevated international normalized ratio ([INR], a test that measures how long it takes for your blood to clot and monitor if the anticoagulant was working], when elevated, it indicates that your blood is taking longer to clot and there is an increased risk of bleeding).</p> <p>Review of Nursing progress notes specific to the Coumadin orders, showed on 04/30/2024 at 11:27 AM, the order was to give Coumadin 2.5 mg every evening and recheck INR on 05/03/2024 (should have received Coumadin on 04/30/2024, 05/01/2024, and 05/02/2024). A note on 05/03/2024 at 11:57 AM showed, hold the Coumadin for two days (hold on 05/03/2024, and 05/04/2024, and resume 2.5mg ([mg] a unit of measure) on 05/05/2024) and recheck INR on 05/06/2024.</p> <p>Review of Resident 5's April 2024 through May 2024 MARs, showed no Coumadin was administered on 05/02/2024, 05/03/2024, 05/04/2024, and 05/05/2024. The MAR further showed there were no Coumadin orders entered for 05/03/2024.</p> <p>During an interview on 05/21/2024 at 12:54 PM, Staff K stated their process was to draw the INR's the morning they were due, call the provider with the results, and obtain new orders. The provider's order would be documented under the nursing progress notes titled Coumadin note. Staff K verified they obtained the Coumadin orders on 04/30/2024 and 05/03/2024 and processed them. When Staff K was questioned about the accuracy of the orders, Staff K reviewed the order from 04/30/2024 and confirmed they had entered the order incorrectly and Resident 5 should have had a dose of Coumadin on 05/02/2023. Staff K continued to review the order for the 05/03/2024 INR and confirmed they did not process an order for Coumadin, and they should have, causing the resident to miss a 2.5 mg dose that should have been given on 05/05/2024. Staff K further stated the INR results were accurate but the information the provider was given from previous orders, for ordering the next dosing of Coumadin, would have been inaccurate.</p> <p>During an interview on 05/17/2024 at 3:10 PM, Staff B, Interim Director of Nursing Services (IDNS), stated their expectation would be for the nurses to give the medications as ordered and if that was not possible, they would expect the nurses to call the provider for additional directions. Staff B stated when medication orders were input into the system, they did not go directly to the pharmacy, the orders needed to be printed and faxed over to the pharmacy. Staff B stated they were unaware the nurses were not following the correct process. Additionally, Staff B would expect the nurses to process the orders correctly and right when they were received. Staff B further stated if the nurses had issues in obtaining medications timely, they would expect that communication from the nurses .</p> <p>Reference: WAC 388-97-1060(1)</p> <p>48368</p>		

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<p>F 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 48368</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to ensure staff compliance with current infection control guidelines and standards of practice by 1) incorrectly donning/doffing (to put on/to take off) personal protective equipment (PPE) for 4 of 7 staff (Staff K, F, T, and U), 2) not adhering to fit testing (to ensure a proper fit) guidelines for N-95 respirator (a respiratory protective device designed to achieve a very close facial fit and very efficient filtration of airborne particles) for 5 of 5 staff (Staff G, I, M, N, and O), and 3) improper hand hygiene and glove changes for 4 of 7 staff (Staff K, F, T, and U) between dirty and clean tasks when providing care and services to residents on transmission based precautions ([TBP], safeguards to prevent spread of diseases) during a COVID- 19 (an infectious disease-causing respiratory illness with symptoms including cough, fever, new or worsening malaise, headache, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of taste or smell, and in severe cases, difficulty breathing, that could result in severe impairment or death) outbreak. These failures placed residents at an increased risk for exposure to cross contamination (harmful spread of illness) and transmission of diseases.</p> <p>Findings included .</p> <p>Review of the facility policy titled COVID-19, dated 04/23/2024, showed N-95 respirators that were in use for source control were removed and discarded and a new N-95 respirator was to be placed following resident care.</p> <p>Review of the facility policy titled Respiratory Protection Program, dated 07/06/2021, Showed:</p> <p>Fit testing is completed initially and repeated annually.</p> <p>Documentation of all fit-testing results is maintained in each employee's personnel file.</p> <p>Fit testing will be repeated each time a different respirator is chosen.</p> <p>Facial hair is not allowed.</p> <p>Review of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Hand Hygiene for Healthcare workers, dated 02/27/2024, showed that all staff should implement hand hygiene to help reduce the spread of infections to others. Further review showed that staff should perform hand hygiene for situations like, before and after contact with a resident or a resident's immediate environment, after contact with objects in the immediate vicinity of a resident, after contact with a contaminated surface, and after removing gloves.</p> <p><Personal Protective Equipment/Hand Hygiene></p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>During an observation and concurrent interview on 05/15/2024 at 12:53 PM, showed Staff T, Nursing Assistant (NA) exiting a COVID-19 positive room, removed disposable face shield, and placed on the PPE cart across the hall from the room, sanitized hands, placed new gloves, cleaned the disposable face shield front and back, and hung on the back of the PPE cart to dry. Staff T stated they used the same disposable face shield for their entire shift and disposed of it at the end of the shift. Staff T walked away and did not cleanse the top of the PPE cart where the soiled mask was set prior to cleaning.</p> <p>During an interview on 05/15/2024 at 3:00 PM, Staff C, Infection Preventionist, stated the facility was currently in a COVID-19 outbreak. Staff C stated the face shields are to be used only once and then thrown away. Staff C stated the facility had more than enough PPE supplies, including face shields.</p> <p>An observation on 05/15/2024 at 3:24 PM, showed outside of room [ROOM NUMBER] (a COVID-19 positive room), there was a used disposable face shield hanging on the back of the PPE cart.</p> <p>During an observation and concurrent interview on 05/15/2024 at 3:29 PM, showed Staff U, Nursing Assistant Registered, exited room [ROOM NUMBER], a COVID-19 positive room, removed their face shield with their ungloved hands and placed it on the PPE cart outside the room. No hand hygiene was observed. Staff U then cleaned the face shield front and back and hung it on the back of the PPE cart. No sanitizing of the PPE cart was done. Staff U stated they were a new NA and their normal process would have been to sanitize their hands prior to removing their mask and after cleaning the face shield. Staff U stated they re-used the face shields during their shift and disposed of them at the end of the shift. Staff U stated they were taught that process by the other NAs and there was also a sign on the top of some of the carts that stated that was the process. Additionally, at 3:35 PM, Staff F, NA, exited room [ROOM NUMBER] with an N-95 respirator on, no face shield, and no gloves. Staff F did not perform hand hygiene, went to the cart of clean linens, obtained clean linens, and was re-entering room [ROOM NUMBER]. Staff F stopped and set the clean linens on the top of the PPE cart that Staff U had placed their dirty face shield on, applied a gown, removed the soiled N-95 respirator mask, and placed a new one without performing hand hygiene. Staff F stated their normal process would be to sanitize their hands when removing their N-95 respirator and they did not know the other NA had placed a dirty face shield on the cart previously without sanitizing it.</p> <p>During an observation on 05/15/2024 at 3:44 PM, showed outside of room [ROOM NUMBER], a PPE cart had a taped sign on the top that read Don't forget to Disinfect. The sign further showed the disinfectant was to be used to disinfect goggles and face shields upon exiting the room.</p> <p>During an observation and concurrent interview on 05/16/2024 at 11:13 AM, Staff K, Licensed Practical Nurse, exited a COVID-19 positive room with the same N-95 respirator on and continued working. When asked what the doffing process was, Staff K stated they removed their gloves, gowns, face shield, and washed their hands prior to leaving the room. Staff K grabbed the front of the contaminated N-95 respirator with non-gloved hands and placed it in an open garbage bin, then placed a new N-95 respirator without performing hand hygiene. Staff K further stated they did not change their N-95 respirator after exiting the COVID-19 room, nor performed hand hygiene after touching the contaminated respirator.</p> <p><Fit testing></p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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