

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 525114	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 02/03/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Sauk CO Health Care Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1051 Clark St Reedsburg, WI 53959	
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F 0609 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>Timely report suspected abuse, neglect, or theft and report the results of the investigation to proper authorities.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on interview and record review, the facility did not ensure that all alleged violations involving abuse, neglect, exploitation, or mistreatment, are reported immediately to the administrator of the facility and to other officials, including the State Survey Agency, in accordance with State law through established procedures for 1 of 3 residents (R2) reviewed for abuse. Facility became aware of an injury of unknown origin on 12/19/25 when R2 was sent to the emergency department and was found to have a closed nondisplaced fracture of the left pinky finger. The facility failed to report it to the state within the required timeframe. Evidenced by: The facility policy entitled Reporting and Investigation of Alleged Caregiver Misconduct or Resident Rights Violation, dated 12/2025, states, in part: . Policy: It is the policy of the Sauk County Health Care Center that each resident will be free from Abuse. Sauk County Health Care Center will take all reasonable measures to ensure resident safety and security and will promptly investigate all reports/allegations of resident rights violations, abuse, neglect, mistreatment, injuries of unknown source or misappropriation of property, resident to resident incidents, reporting the investigative results to the appropriate agencies in accordance with state and federal laws. Definitions of Abuse and Neglect: .g. Injuries of Unknown Origin: An injury should be classified as an injury of unknown source when both of the following conditions are met: i. The source of the injury was not observed by any person or the source of the injury could not be explained by the resident; ii. The injury is suspicious because of the extent of the injury or the location of the injury (e.g., the injury is located in an area not vulnerable to trauma) or the number of injuries observed at one particular point in time or the incidence of injuries over time. PROCEDURE: RESPONDING/INVESTIGATING/PROTECTION: All allegations of misconduct will be thoroughly investigated. 3. Any facility employee having either direct or indirect knowledge of potential misconduct involving a facility resident shall immediately follow the reporting procedures. 4. The Supervisor receiving verbal or written information shall take prompt measures to assess and ensure the safety and welfare of the resident(s) involved, immediately notify the Administrator or Administrator designee of the allegation along with any other appropriate individuals. Following notification of the Administrator, the supervisor/administrator reporting will immediately complete the Alleged Nursing Home Resident Mistreatment Report via the online reporting system. 5. The supervisor or designee will report suspected crimes to law enforcement. Serious injuries will be reported no later than 2 hours after discovery. Nonserious injuries will be reported no later than 24 hours after discovery. 8. For the Nursing Home, the Administrator, Social Worker, DON (Director of Nursing) or designee will complete the investigation. R2 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] and has diagnoses that include cerebrovascular disease (a group of conditions that impair brain blood flow, including stroke, carotid stenosis (narrowing of the carotid arteries in the neck caused by plaque buildup), aneurysms (dangerous bulge in the artery wall caused by weakened vessels, which can cause severe bleeding or death if ruptures)</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 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** Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility did not ensure that residents received treatment and care in accordance with professional standards of practice (N6, Wisconsin Nurse Practice Act) for 1 of 3 sampled residents (R2). On 12/10/25 staff observed and documented an open area on R2's left 5th digit. The facility did not complete an initial comprehensive assessment of the wound including, measurements, size and characteristics. On 12/19/25, R2 was sent to emergency department due to deterioration in the wound. R2 was diagnosed with a displaced fracture and osteomyelitis requiring antibiotic therapy. Evidenced by: According to the Wisconsin Nurse Practice Act, N6.03(1), An R.N. (Registered Nurse) shall utilize the nursing process in the execution of general nursing procedures in the maintenance of health, prevention of illness or care of the ill. The nursing process consists of the steps of assessment, planning, intervention, and evaluation. This standard is met through performance of each of the following steps of the nursing process: (a) Assessment. Assessment is the systematic and continual collection and analysis of data about the health status of a patient culminating in the formulation of a nursing diagnosis. (b) Planning. Planning is developing a nursing plan of care for a patient which includes goals and priorities derived from the nursing diagnosis. (c) Intervention. Intervention is the nursing action to implement the plan of care by directly administering care or by directing and supervising nursing acts delegated to L.P.N.s (Licensed Practical Nurse) or less skilled assistants. (d) Evaluation. Evaluation is the determination of a patient's progress or lack of progress toward goal achievement which may lead to modification of the nursing diagnosis. Per the wound care education institute Best Practices for Wound Assessment and Documentation states, in part: . Foundational elements of wound assessment. A structured approach to wound assessment is key to capturing the clinical picture and determining the best course of action for care. Here are the essential components to document: .1. Precise anatomical location. 2. Wound classification and etiology. Determine and document the wound's origin. Common types include: Pressure injuries: Classify by stage using the National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel's (NPIAP) guidelines. Arterial or venous ulcers: Note underlying circulatory insufficiencies. Diabetic foot ulcers: These are often neuropathic, so assess the patient's offloading status. The patient should be assigned a [NAME] grade and updated as needed. Surgical incisions or traumatic wounds: Include the mechanism of injury or surgical intent. Documenting wound etiology ensures targeted interventions and appropriate resource use .3. Accurate wound measurements. *Length.*Width.*Depth. 4. Wound bed characteristics Quantify the percentage and type of tissue present: Granulation: Red, moist, and bumpy - This is a sign of healthy tissue growth. Slough: Yellow/white, stringy, or moist. May be adherent or loosely attached. This is non-viable and may require debridement. Eschar: Thick, dry, black, or brown. Document if stable or if debridement is needed. Hyper granulation: Assess for signs of infection and/or necessary treatment changes, such as stopping a collagen application. Descriptive wound bed assessments help monitor healing phases and guide appropriate debridement strategies. 5. Wound edge and margin assessment Evaluate wound edges for signs of healing or chronicity: Defined vs. undefined: Defined edges are more acute, and undefined may suggest chronicity. Epibole (rolled edges): This is common in stalled wounds. Undermining or maceration: This may indicate moisture imbalance or shearing/friction forces. Marginal changes can be early indicators of delayed healing or infection. 6. Exudate characteristics Drainage quality provides vital clues about wound status: Amount: None, scant, light, moderate, or heavy. Type: Serous (clear), serosanguineous, sanguineous, seropurulent, or purulent. Color and consistency: Thick yellow/green with odor may indicate infection. Odor: Describe only after cleansing to eliminate confounding factors. Always</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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F 0684 Level of Harm - Actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>correlate exudate changes with wound progression and signs of infection.7. Peri wound skin statusDocument any abnormal findings in the tissue surrounding the wound: Color: Erythema may signal infection or inflammation. Texture: Watch for induration, bogginess, or dryness. Breakdown: Maceration, excoriation, or denuded skin may indicate excessive moisture or friction.Healthy peri wound skin supports optimal wound healing and should be protected as part of the overall care plan.8. Pain and symptom reportingPain is a critical, yet often under-documented, aspect of wound assessment. Capture: Intensity: Use a numeric or verbal pain scale. Descriptors: Burning, aching, stabbing, etc. Timing: Before, during, or after dressing changes. Management: Note what interventions alleviate or exacerbate pain The facility's policy entitled Wound Treatment Management, dated 4/2024, states, in part: . Policy: To promote wound healing of various types of wounds, it is the policy of this facility to provide evidence-based treatments in accordance with current standards of practice and physician orders.Policy Explanation and Compliance Guidelines: .8. The effectiveness of treatments will be monitored through ongoing assessment of the wound. Considerations for needed modifications include: a. Lack of progression towards healing. b. Changes in the characteristics of the wound.R2 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] and has diagnoses that include cerebrovascular disease (a group of conditions that impair brain blow flow), unspecified dementia, severe with anxiety, and bilateral osteoarthritis of hip.R2's Minimum Data Set (MDS) Significant Change Assessment, dated 1/22/26, shows R2 has severe cognitive impairment with a Brief Interview of Mental Status (BIMS) score of 00.R2's progress notes are as follows: R2's Progress Note, dated 12/10/25, at 12:34 PM, states: Left hand pinky has open area reported to supervisor.Important to note: There is no wound assessment with characteristics of wound or measurements indicated when found.R2's Progress Note dated 12/11/25, at 3:12 PM, states: Orders Received from [physician name] .Cleanse scab on pinky finger on left hand with soap and water-apply betadine and allow to dry then leave open to air. R2's Care Plan states, in part: . Problem: Potential for tissue integrity impairment. Related to: Immobility, HLD (hyperlipidemia), CAD (coronary artery disease), Dry, scaling areas, advanced age, fragile skin, incontinence. Manifested by: Reddened areas, itching, edema, moist areas, blisters, bruises easily.Goal: Skin will remain intact, Free of irritation, No breakdown of area. Goal Time: 2/26Approach: Nurses- Inspect skin especially bony prominences and dependent areas for redness/breakdown daily. Assess skin status.R2's Progress notes continued: 12/11/25, at 3:12 PM, Skin Problems: Wound care to left pinky as ordered .12/12/25, at 1:49 PM, Procedure Done: wound treatment done per order.12/13/25, at 12:24 AM, Procedure Done: Wound treatment done per order.12/13/25, at 12:35 PM, Procedure Done: wound treatment done per order.12/14/25, at 12:16 AM, Procedure Done: wound treatment done per order.12/15/25, at 2:49 PM, Weekly Skin Assessment: within normal limits, warm, dry, no open areas. Skin Problems: small wound to left pinky, being treated. Foot Problem/Care: Nails are clean and smooth; heels are firm and blanchable.Important to note this is not a thorough wound assessment. This does not indicate characteristics of the wound or measurements. There is no documentation of wound assessments from 12/10/25 to current to indicate staff are monitoring R2's wound for decline or improvement.12/15/25, 16:43 PM, Wound treatment done per order to left pinky finger, left pinky nail appears to be falling off, no s/s (signs or symptoms) of infection.Important to note: This is a change in the wound. There is no physician notification or a thorough assessment of the wound documented in R2's record.12/16/25 at 12:59 PM, Skin Problems: Wound care to left pinky as ordered.12/17/25 at 12:26 PM, Skin Problems: Wound care to left pinky as ordered.12/18/25 at 12:43 PM, Procedure Done: wound treatment done per order.12/19/25 at 2:55 PM, Skin Problems Left pinky cleaned as ordered, notified Charge nurse of change in wound appearance.12/19/25 5:35 PM, General Skin Condition: Resident left pinky finger noted to have a large</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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