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| STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION | (X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 555557 | (X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing | (X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/28/2025 |
| NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Pioneers Memorial Skilled Nursing Center | | STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 320 Cattle Call Dr. Brawley, CA 92227 | |

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| <p>F 0684</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for 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** 48263</p> <p>Based on interview, and record review, the facility failed to ensure necessary care and services were provided according to the facility's fall policies and procedures for one resident (Resident 1) reviewed during a Facility Reported Incident (FRI) investigated after an unwitnessed fall.</p> <p>This deficient practice delayed Resident 1's necessary post-fall care and diagnosis (identifying injury from its signs and symptoms using tests) of multiple rib (chest bone) fractures that were sustained.</p> <p>Cross-Reference F-689</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses which included a history of Parkinson ' s disease (a progressive disease of the nervous system marked by tremor, muscular rigidity, and slow, imprecise movements), per the admission record.</p> <p>A record review of Resident 1's minimum data set (MDS - a federally mandated resident assessment tool) dated 4/9/25 indicated, a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS- developed by reviewing the resident's status during the prior seven-day period) score of 10 points out of 15 possible points, which indicated Resident 1 had moderate cognitive (pertaining to memory, judgement and reasoning ability) deficits.</p> <p>A record review of Resident 1 ' s comprehensive MDS dated [DATE] section GG indicated Resident 1 required maximum (helper lifts, holds, or supports limbs [arms and legs]and provides more than half the effort) assistance with toilet transfers, with most recent quarterly MDS, dated [DATE] indicating that Resident 1 had impairment to both lower extremities (legs).</p> <p>A review of Resident 1 ' s facility investigation note, titled UNWITNESSED FALL: [RESIDENT NAME] 4/10 ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS was conducted. This record indicated:</p> <p>- On 4/10/25, .Resident fell on ,d+[DATE] with injuries to her right ribs . Put on neuros [neuro-checks; assessment that evaluates the brain, and spinal cord functioning, including vital signs, pain, muscle strength, balance, vision and cognitive alertness to think and reason] and monitoring for changes .</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 - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> | <p>- On 4/11/25, .Resident returned on 4/14 with Dx [diagnosis] of L2 compression and rib fractures, pain management .Findings: Resident appeared she may have hit the water faucets in the bathtub or the side of the bathtub. Left on the toilet without assist. Avoidable .Inservices [staff education]: Fall Management, do not leave resident unattended.</p> <p>A clinical chart review of Resident 1 ' s fall care plan was conducted. This record indicated:</p> <p>- Date initiated 1/3/25, .The resident is (High) risk for falls r/t [related to] Confusion, gait balance, poor communication/comprehension .Vision/hearing problems .Follow facility fall protocol .</p> <p>- Date initiated 4/11/25, The resident has had an actual fall with injury. 4/10/25 .4rth and 5th rib fractures right side acute (new/sudden) .</p> <p>On 4/28/25 at 12:47 P.M., an interview was conducted with Resident 1. Resident 1 stated that the fall incident happened in the bathroom. Resident 1 stated that the nursing staff put her on the toilet and that she lost balance and fell into the tub. Resident 1 stated she waited for about five minutes for staff to arrive and help her. Resident 1 stated she experienced rib pain after the fall (4/10/25).</p> <p>On 4/28/25 at 12:58 P.M., an interview was conducted with Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) 1. CNA 1 stated that on the day of the unwitnessed fall (4/10/25), he was assigned to (care for) Resident 1. CNA 1 stated that the housekeeper heard Resident 1 yelling from the bathroom and said that Resident 1 fell . CNA 1 stated he was assisting another resident before he entered Resident 1 ' s room. CNA 1 stated that when he entered Resident 1 ' s room, he found Resident 1 in the bathtub in a sitting position with both feet hanging out the tub. CNA 1 stated that Resident 1 required minimal to maximal assistance with toileting and transfers.</p> <p>On 4/28/25 at 1:04 P.M., an interview and record review was conducted with licensed nurse (LN) 1. LN 1 stated that on 4/11/25 (one day after the fall) at 6:17 A.M., Resident 1 complained of pain on her right flank (rib area), and she discovered that Resident 1 had a new bruise on her right rib. LN 1 stated she notified Resident 1 ' s physician (MD) and responsible party (RP) on 4/11/25 at 2 P.M. (per the CHANGE OF CONDITION [COC] EVALUATION) about the unwitnessed fall, bruising on the rib area, and that the MD ordered to send the resident to the hospital for X-rays (images of the inside of the body). LN 1 stated they did not perform post-fall neuro-checks (neurological check; assessment that evaluates the brain, and spinal cord functioning to include vital signs, pain, muscle strength, balance, vision and cognitive alertness to think and reason) until the day (4/11/25) after the unwitnessed fall.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p> |

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| <p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p> | <p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 48263</p> <p>Based on interview, and record review, the facility failed to provide supervision and maintain a safe environment to prevent accidents for one resident (Resident 1) which resulted in an unwitnessed fall.</p> <p>As a result, this deficient practice resulted in harm for Resident 1, who sustained multiple rib (chest bone) fractures and pain.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses which included a history of Parkinson ' s disease (a progressive disease of the nervous system marked by tremor, muscular rigidity, and slow, imprecise movements), per the Admission Record.</p> <p>A record review of Resident 1's minimum data set (MDS - a federally mandated resident assessment tool) dated 4/9/25 indicated, a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS- developed by reviewing the resident's status during the prior seven-day period) score of 10 points out of 15 possible points, which indicated Resident 1 had moderate cognitive (pertaining to memory, judgement and reasoning ability) deficits.</p> <p>A record review of Resident 1 ' s comprehensive MDS dated [DATE], section GG, indicated Resident 1 required maximum (helper lifts, holds, or supports limbs [arms and legs]and provides more than half the effort) assistance with toilet transfers with most recent quarterly MDS dated [DATE] indicating Resident 1 had lower extremity (leg) impairments to both legs.</p> <p>A review of Resident 1 ' s facility investigation entitled, UNWITNESSED FALL: [RESIDENT NAME] 4/10 ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS was conducted, and indicated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 4/10/25, .Resident fell on ,d+[DATE] with injuries to her right ribs . It was reported Resident was assisted to the toilet and waved the Nurse away for privacy while on the toilet . - On 4/11/25, .Resident returned on 4/14 with Dx [diagnosis] of L2 compression and rib fractures, pain management .Findings: Resident appeared she may have hit the water faucets in the bathtub or the side of the bathtub. Left on the toilet without assist. Avoidable .Inservices [staff education]: Fall Management, do not leave resident unattended. <p>A clinical chart review of Resident 1 ' s fall care plan was conducted and indicated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date initiated 1/3/25, .The resident is (High) risk for falls r/t [related to] Confusion, gait balance, poor communication/comprehension .Vision/hearing problems .Follow facility fall protocol . - Date initiated 4/11/25, The resident has had an actual fall with injury. 4/10/25 .4rth and 5th rib fractures right side acute (new/sudden) . <p>(continued on next page)</p> | | |

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