

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 555668	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 11/27/2024
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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - 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** 49573</p> <p>Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure the resident, who was transferred by a mechanical lift (a device used to transfer residents from a bed to a chair or between surfaces), did not fall from the lift during transfer and sustained injuries for one of three sampled residents (Resident 1). The facility failed to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA 1) did not transfer Resident 1 by herself from a bed to a shower chair (a movable or permanently installed seat for the tub or shower) by using a mechanical lift (a device used to transfer residents from a bed to a chair or between surfaces). 2. Ensure CNA 1 did not use a mechanical lift sling (accessory attached to a mechanical lift [device used to transfer residents from one surface to another]) with worn out straps to transfer Resident 1 from bed to shower chair. 3. Ensure staff followed the mechanical lift Manufacturer ' s User Manual guide dated 2016 and 10/1/2018 which indicated after each laundering the sling must be inspected for wear, tears, and loose stitching. Slings that have been bleached, torn, cut, frayed, or broken are unsafe and could result in injury and should be discarded immediately. <p>These failures resulted in Resident 1 falling from the mechanical lift to the floor and sustaining a bump (swelling) on the right parietal (located near the back and top of the head) area of the head, a right frontal (front) scalp hematoma (discoloration of skin, due to bleeding under the skin) and soft tissue swelling (inflammation and fluid buildup, that can potentially feel tender or painful) in her right elbow. Resident 1 was admitted to the General Acute Care Hospital (GACH) for three days for evaluation and treatment.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s Admission Record, the Admission Record indicated Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] and readmitted on [DATE] with diagnoses including morbid obesity (having too much body fat), dementia (a progressive state of decline in mental abilities) and chronic kidney disease (a long-term condition that occurs when the kidney are damaged and can ' t filter blood properly).</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 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During an interview on 11/26/2024 at 1:40 p.m., Registered Nurse Supervisor (RNS 1) stated Resident 1 was totally dependent on staff for shower and bathing. RNS 1 stated on the day of the fall (10/15/2024), she found Resident 1 on the floor and Resident 1 told her the back of her head was hurting. RNS 1 stated Resident 1 complained that her pain level was a 7 or 8 out of 10 on the pain scale. RNS 1 stated the incident could have been prevented if staff had inspected the sling to make sure it was in good condition. RNS 1 stated before CNA 1 transferred Resident 1, CNA 1 should have been made sure there was another staff member to assist her transfer Resident 1 with the mechanical lift. RNS 1 stated that if CNA 1 had called for some help, it might have helped to prevent the fall.</p> <p>During an interview on 11/26/2024 at 2:05 p.m., the Director of Staff Development (DSD) stated staff were in-serviced (trained) on the use of a mechanical lift to use two or three persons transfer assistance. The DSD stated the slings were based on height and weight of the residents and staff were to use the slings associated with the residents ' height and weight. The DSD stated the correct size sling for Resident 1 was a large, which was the sling with the green and blue rim. The DSD stated the slings should be checked prior to using it to transfer the resident to make sure it was in good working condition. The DSD stated new slings were ordered after the incident that happened with Resident 1. The sling used to transfer Resident 1 was worn out and ripped indicating it was old, and the color was faded from multiple washes. The DSD stated the Administrator (ADM) and Central Supply staff ordered new slings after this fall incident.</p> <p>During an interview on 11/26/2024 at 4:03 p.m., the Director of Nursing (DON) stated on 10/15/2024, Resident 1 fell on the floor from the mechanical lift during transfer. The DON stated Resident 1 was transferred to the GACH because the resident fell with a head injury and the resident complained of pain to the back of her head. The DON stated the incident could have been avoidable if CNA 1 waited for another CNA to help her with Resident 1 ' s transfer via mechanical lift. The DON stated any transfer with the mechanical lifts must be done by two to three persons assistance. The DON stated the sling ripped on the hook that was attached to the black strap that was attached to the sling. The DON stated CNA 1 should have checked the sling before using it to transfer Resident 1. The DON stated all slings used to transfer residents with the mechanical lift were replaced on 10/22/2024 after Resident 1 ' s fall. The DON stated that slings were replaced if there were noted wear and tear, and the nursing staff should have checked to make sure all slings were intact.</p> <p>During an observation and interview on 11/27/2024 at 9:15 a.m., with the Occupational Therapist (OT) in Resident 1 ' s room, Resident 1 ' s OT treatment session was observed. The OT stated Resident 1 was dependent on staff for activities of daily living but was able to eat on her own. The OT stated Resident 1 did have pain with movement in her right arm. Resident 1 stated she was in pain in her head and right arm , and the OT told Resident 1 it was expected for someone who fell .</p> <p>During a record review of the facility's policy and procedure (P/P), titled Total Mechanical Lift, revised 4/27/23, indicated mechanical lifts are devices used to assist with transfers and movement of individuals who require support for mobility beyond the manual support provided by nursing staff alone .nursing staff will receive training on how to use the mechanical lift .at least two people are present while resident is being transferred with the mechanical lift.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0726</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 49573</p> <p>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) 1 was competent to use the mechanical lift (a device used to transfer a resident from one surface to another) to transfer a resident (Resident 1) from bed to shower chair in accordance with professional standards of practice.</p> <p>This failure resulted in Resident 1 falling from the sling and suffering a head injury when CNA 1 transferred Resident 1 from bed to shower chair without assistance from another staff member.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s Admission Record, the Admission Record indicated Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] and readmitted on [DATE] with diagnoses including morbid obesity (having too much body fat), dementia (a progressive state of decline in mental abilities) and chronic kidney disease (a long-term condition that occurs when the kidney are damaged and can ' t filter blood properly).</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s History and Physical (H&P) dated 5/10/2024, the H&P indicated Resident 1 had fluctuating capacity to understand and make decisions.</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s Minimum Data Sheet (MDS- a resident assessment tool), dated 8/30/2024, the MDS indicated Resident 1 had moderately impaired cognitive (thought process) skills for daily decision making and was dependent (helper does all of the effort to complete activities, the assistance of two or more helpers is required) on self-care abilities such as oral hygiene, toileting, shower/bathing, upper and lower body dressing and mobility such as rolling left and right, sitting to lying, lying to sitting and bed to chair transfers.</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s untitled Comprehensive Care Plan dated 5/16/2023, the Comprehensive Care Plan Indicated Resident 1 was dependent on staff and needed physical assistance with mobility (ability to move freely) and with completion of physical activities such as eating, bathing, and transfers. The Care Plan indicated to use a mechanical lift as indicated for transfer.</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s untitled Comprehensive Care Plan dated 10/5/2022, the Comprehensive Care plan indicated Resident 1 was able to transfer from bed to chair with extensive assistance, requiring two persons assistance.</p> <p>During a review of Resident 1 ' s untitled Comprehensive Care Plan dated 5/16/2023, the Comprehensive Care Plan Indicated Resident 1 was dependent on staff and needed physical assistance with mobility (ability to move freely) and with completion of physical activities such as eating, bathing, and transfers. The Care Plan indicated to use a mechanical lift as indicated for transfer.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0908</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Keep all essential equipment working safely.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 49573</p> <p>Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to maintain and calibrate (the process than ensures the reading and functionality of a device is accurate and in full working order) on 2 of 5 mechanical lifts (a device used to transfer residents from a bed to a chair or other similar places) mechanical lift 1 and mechanical lift 2 for use to transfer residents of the facility from one surface to another in the facility.</p> <p>This deficient practice had the potential to cause injury to any resident if the mechanical lift that was used to determine the weight of the resident was inaccurate. The inaccurate weight of the resident could lead to the wrong sling being used to transfer residents based on the height and weight of the resident.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>During a concurrent observation and interview on 11/27/2024 at 10:30 a.m. with the Maintenance Supervisor (MS), Restorative Nursing Assistant (RNA) 1 and RNA 2 and the Director of Nursing (DON), the RNAs are demonstrating the use of the mechanical lift 1 to weigh the MS and show the lifting procedure. Based off what the MS stated his weight was, the sling with the green trim was chosen. The sling was placed on the wheelchair and the MS sat in the seat. The RNAs calibrated mechanical lift 1 by using a 25 pounds (lbs., unit of measurement) weight to zero the mechanical lift scale. The RNAs lifted the MS off the wheelchair and weighed the MS with mechanical lift 1. The MS weighed 164.4 lbs. on mechanical lift 1. Next the RNAs calibrated the standing scale (weight reading obtained by standing on the base) doing the same method of calibration with mechanical lift 1. The MS stepped onto the standing scale; the weight showed the MS weighed 167.9 lbs.</p> <p>During a concurrent observation and interview on 11/27/2024 at 11:11 a.m., with the MS, RNA 1, RNA 2 and the DON, the RNAs demonstrated the use of mechanical lift 2 to weigh the MS. The RNAs calibrated mechanical lift 2 doing the same method of calibration with mechanical lift 1. The RNAs lifted the MS off the wheelchair with mechanical lift 2 and sling and weigh the MS. The MS weighed 169.4 lbs. The MS stated the Mechanical lifts were calibrated annually with the last calibration date being January 2024, so the next calibration date was January 2025. The MS stated if there were discrepancies, he would call the manufacturer to troubleshoot and calibrate the mechanical lifts but does not know if there were any discrepancies unless the facility weighs each resident multiple times on multiple mechanical lifts that they have in the facility which was not feasible. The MS stated with the three different numbers for weights, the machines were not accurate in determining weight.</p> <p>During an interview on 11/27/2024 at 12:31 p.m., the Administrator (ADM) stated we need to have the correct weight of the resident to use the correct sling. The ADM stated if the weight of the resident was incorrect, the wrong sling would be used to transfer the resident. The ADM stated if the wrong sling was used, the sling could break and there could be injury to the resident.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0908</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>During a record review of the Admission Record for Resident 1, the Admission Record indicated Resident 1 was admitted to facility on 9/23/22 and readmitted on [DATE] with diagnoses of morbid obesity (having too much body fat), dementia (a progressive state of decline in mental abilities) and chronic kidney disease (a long-term condition that occurs when the kidney are damaged and can ' t filter blood properly).</p> <p>During a record review of the manufacturer's user manual titled mechanical lift User Manual dated 2022, the manual indicated the mechanical lift will be calibrated at the factory with the load cell. Should it be necessary to recalibrate the scale, complete the following instructions. To calibrate the Mechanical lift, when CAL1 was selected, you would need 50 pounds of weight to calibrate the Mechanical lift and when CAL2 was selected, you would need 200 pounds of weight to calibrate the Mechanical lift.</p>