

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 555765	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/03/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER The Hills Post Acute		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1800 Old Tustin Avenue Santa Ana, CA 92705	

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<p>F 0755</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide pharmaceutical services to meet the needs of each resident and employ or obtain the services of a licensed pharmacist.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 50126</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, medical record review, facility document review, and facility P&P review, the facility failed to provide the necessary pharmacy services for one of four sampled residents (Resident 1).</p> <p>* The facility failed to ensure Resident 1's oxycodone medications (narcotic/pain medications) were stored properly that resulted in the missing medications.</p> <p>* The facility failed to ensure Resident 1's Controlled Drug record and the MAR documentation for oxycodone matched.</p> <p>* The facility failed to ensure the proper inventory of all narcotics during the incoming and outgoing shift changes for the licensed nurses assigned to Medication Carts 1, 2, 3, and 5.</p> <p>These failures had the potential for diversion of the controlled medications and possible health complications due to not administering the medications as prescribed.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>Review of the facility's P&P titled Medication Ordering and Receiving from Pharmacy revised 9/2019 showed only the licensed personnel may receive the controlled substances from the pharmacy driver/courier.</p> <p>a. A nurse signs for the medications, including the controlled substances, on the pharmacy delivery ticket and inspects the medications.</p> <p>b. The receiving nurse transfers medications and accompanying inventory sheets to an authorized nurse on the unit (if different than the nurse who received the medication).</p> <p>c. Two nurses witness placement of the controlled substances in the secured compartment of the medication cart.</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 0755</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Review of the facility's P&P titled Medication Storage in the Facility revised 8/2019 showed Scheduled (II-IV) medications (narcotic medications) and other medications subject to abuse or diversion are stored in a permanently affixed, locked compartment separate from all other medications. Alternatively, in a unit dose system, these medications may be kept with other medications in the cart if the supply of medications is minimal and the shortage is readily detectable. The access system to controlled medications is not the same as the system giving access to other medications (the key that opens the compartment is different from the key that opens the medication cart). If a key system is used, the medication nurse on duty maintains possession of the key to controlled substance storage areas. Back-up keys to all medication storage areas, including those for controlled substance are kept by the director of nursing or designee.</p> <p>Medical record review for Resident 1 was initiated on 5/2/24. Resident 1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE], and readmitted on [DATE].</p> <p>Review of Resident 1's Order Summary Report as of 2/29/24, showed a physician's order dated 1/25/24, to administer oxycodone 10 mg one tablet by mouth every 24 hours as needed for pain.</p> <p>Review of Resident 1's Order Summary Report as of 4/30/24, showed a physician's order dated 4/22/24, to administer oxycodone 5 mg one tablet by mouth every 24 hours as needed for pain.</p> <p>1. Review of the facility's SOC 341 dated 4/29/24, showed the facility reported a suspected drug discrepancy and the medications for Resident 1 remained unaccounted for.</p> <p>On 5/2/24 at 1130 hours, an interview and concurrent facility document review was conducted with the DON. The following pharmacy documents were reviewed and verified by the DON:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A telephone order dated 4/11/24 at 2241 hours, showed the facility ordered Resident 1's oxycodone medications. - Consolidated Delivery Sheets dated 4/17/24 at 1600 hours, showed the facility received 30 tablets of oxycodone 10 mg for Resident 1. <p>On 5/3/24 at 1224 hours, a telephone interview was conducted with RN 1. When asked about Resident 1's oxycodone medication delivered on 4/17/24, RN 1 acknowledged signing and receiving Resident 1's 30 tablets of oxycodone 10 mg. RN 1 stated after receiving the medications, the medications were placed inside the IV medication cart. RN 1 further stated he did not tell anyone about Resident 1's oxycodone medication inside the IV medication cart and did not recall what happened to the medication after putting it inside the IV medication cart.</p> <p>On 5/3/24 at 1345 hours, an interview was conducted with the Administrator. The Administrator acknowledged and was aware of RN 1 signing and receiving the oxycodone medications for Resident 1.</p> <p>On 5/3/24 at 1415 hours, a telephone interview was conducted with LVN 2. LVN 2 stated she followed up on Resident 1's oxycodone medication on 4/22/24. LVN 2 further stated the pharmacy made her aware RN 1 had signed and received Resident 1's oxycodone medication on 4/17/24.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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