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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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F 0689 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 42311 Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure one of three sampled residents (Resident 1) who had a history of dementia (a progressive state of decline in mental abilities), assessed as high risk for fall, had a wandering (moving around without any clear purpose or direction) behavior and had a history of fall, was provided supervision and kept free from accidents by failing to reassess Resident 1 for Elopement Screening (a safety assessment that evaluates a resident's risk of leaving a safe environment without permission) after Resident 1 had triggered (activated) the exit door alarm twice on 12/31/2024 and had a wandering behavior on 1/1/2025. On 1/2/2025, Resident 1 was able to walk two steps outside the facility's exit door (located at the side of the facility equipped with a door alarm that is activated when it is opened and held open for a certain period of time) without staff assistance and without an assistive device (walker- [a mobility aid that helps provide stability and balance while you walk] or wheelchair [a mobility device with wheels that helps people who have difficulty walking around]). This deficient practice resulted to Resident 1's fall on 1/2/2025 at 4:47 p.m., outside of the facility's exit door and requiring transfer to General Acute Care Hospital 2 (GACH 2) on 1/2/2025 at 5:45 p.m. Findings: During a record review of Resident's Admission Record, the Admission Record indicated the facility admitted Resident 1 on 12/30/2024, with diagnoses that included Parkinson's disease (a progressive disorder of the nervous system that affects movement), generalized muscle weakness and neurocognitive disorder with Lewy bodies (a disease associated with abnormal deposits of a protein called Lewy bodies, affect chemicals in the brain whose changes, in turn, can lead to problems with thinking, movement, behavior, and mood). During a record review of Resident 1's Morse Fall Risk Screen (an assessment tool that predicts the likelihood that a resident will fall), dated 12/30/2024, timed at 5:20 p.m., the Morse Fall Risk Screen indicated Resident 1 was a high risk for fall. During a record review of Resident 1's Progress Notes, dated 12/30/2024, timed at 8:13 p.m., the Progress Notes indicated Resident 1 was confused (unable to think clearly), uncooperative and combative (eagerness to fight) with staff. During a record review of Resident 1's care plan for at risk for wandering and elopement related to exit-seeking behavior (when someone attempts to leave a place or roams around without a clear destination), frequently asking to go out, expression of not wanting to stay in the facility, wanders aimlessly, dated 12/30/2024, the care plan indicated the following interventions: 1. Call the attention of the resident and redirect (change the course of direction) when seen going towards the exit door. (continued on next page)		

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F 0689 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	During a concurrent interview and record review on 1/22/2025, at 4:22 p.m., with the Director of Staff Development (DSD), Resident 1's Fall Risk Assessment and Elopement Screening, dated 12/30/2024, was reviewed. The Elopement Screening, dated 12/30/2024, indicated a score of three (low risk). The Elopement Screening indicated, Diagnosis: Resident 1 had no diagnosis that will affect his or her judgment and safety awareness. The DSD stated Resident 1 had history of dementia and the Elopement Screening answer for diagnosis should be yes with additional score of two, making the total score for Elopement Screening to five which is still low risk. The DSD stated Resident 1 was low risk for elopement and high risk for fall. The DSD stated on 1/2/2025 between 2 p.m., to 2:30 p.m., Resident 1 managed to go to the right hallway and open the emergency exit door close to room [ROOM NUMBER]. The DSD stated an alarm sound was heard and when staff responded she (Resident 1) already sustained an unwitnessed fall. The DSD stated staff assigned that day (1/2/2025) were CNA 2, Licensed Vocational Nurse 2 (LVN 2), and LVN 4. The DSD stated the Physician was notified at 2:53 p.m., with order to transfer to GACH 2. During a concurrent interview and record review on 1/22/2025 at 4:31 p.m., with the DSD, Resident 1's Progress Notes, dated 12/31/2024 and 1/1/2024, were reviewed. The Progress Notes dated 12/31/2024 timed at 4:42 p.m., indicated Resident 1 wandered at least twice to the exit door by room [ROOM NUMBER] and set the alarm off twice. The Progress Notes, dated 12/31/2024 timed at 3:08 p.m. indicated Resident 1 was noted wandering, refusing care and needed redirection multiple times throughout the shift. The Progress Notes, dated 12/31/2024 timed at 9:08 p.m., indicated Resident 1 was wandering at the beginning of the shift. The Progress Notes dated 1/1/2025 timed at 1:24 p.m., indicated Resident 1 was noted wandering. The DSD stated they were monitoring her (Resident 1) as she (Resident 1) was placed close to the nursing station. The DSD stated there was no frequency on how often they documented the monitoring. The DSD stated the monitoring would be in the Medication Administration Record (MAR-record of medication received by the resident) or Progress Notes. The DSD stated if Resident 1 was assessed as high risk for elopement, the facility would do an hourly monitoring and apply bed alarm as needed. The DSD stated Resident 1 did not elope but just stepped out of the building. The DSD stated elopement is purposely seeking for an exit. The DSD stated if Resident 1 was reassessed for elopement after 12/31/2024 and 1/1/2025, Resident 1 would be a high risk for elopement and the facility would monitor Resident 1 hourly and document in the MAR, possibly place a bed alarm, and provide a sitter as needed. During a concurrent interview and record review on 1/22/2025 at 5:12 p.m., with the DON, Resident 1's Progress Notes, dated 12/31/2024 timed at 4:42 a.m., 3:08 p.m., and 9:08 p.m., and Elopement Screening questionnaire were reviewed. The Progress Notes indicated Resident 1 wandered at least twice setting off the alarm door at 4:42 a. m. The Progress Notes, dated 12/31/2024 at 3:08 p.m., and 9:08 p.m., indicated Resident 1 had wandered. The DON stated Resident 1 would score 10 (high risk) if reassessed for elopement from score of 1 (cognitively impaired), 2 (diagnosis- has medical diagnosis of dementia) and 5 (has exit seeking behavior). The DON stated elopement risk assessment was done upon admission and after incident of the fall. The DON stated nurses (RN 1, LVN 2 or LVN 3) should have done another elopement screening after 12/31/2024. The DON stated that since Resident 1 would have scored as high risk for elopement, Resident 1 should have a wanderguard, every hour monitoring and documentation of Resident 1's location and whereabouts. The DON stated there should be an hourly documentation prior to Resident 1's fall. The DON stated on 1/2/2025 staff were alerted when the exit door alarm went off. The DON stated the exit door automatically alarms when opened. (continued on next page)		

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F 0689 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	During a concurrent interview and record review on 1/23/2025, at 2:22 p.m., with the DSD, facility's PnP titled, Door Guardian System (also known as wanderguard), dated 1/2025, was reviewed. The PnP indicated, To use a device that will alert the resident and staff of wandering tendency and still maintain resident's optimum function and physical freedom as safely as possible. 1. Residents shall be assessed by the Licensed Nurse on admission, readmission, quarterly (every three months) and annual assessment and when a significant change in condition is identified, post elopement and as needed using the elopement risk tool in PointClickCare (electronic resident health record). 2. If the assessment of the resident shows there is wandering and elopement risk creating a safety issue, the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT-a coordinated group of experts from several different fields who work together)) and the Licensed Nurse will discuss this issue with the family or responsible party. 3. The Licensed Nurse will also assess the need for the use of the device when resident is exhibiting behavior showing risk for wandering or elopement and needing the use of a device such as the Door Guardian. 4. The IDT will assess the appropriateness of the intervention to address the wandering or elopement tendency to include the ongoing use of the door Guardian 5. The need for the Door Guardian shall be assessed a minimum of quarterly, annual and when a significant change of condition is identified and as needed. 8. Care plans for the residents using the Door Guardian shall include an entry identifying the resident's safety risk and the appropriate interventions, including the use of the Door Guardian. The DSD stated the facility lack (insufficient) implementation on assessing residents need for the use of the device when resident is exhibiting behavior showing risk for wandering or elopement and needing the use of a device such as the Door Guardian or wanderguard. During an interview on 1/24/2025 at 9:57 a.m., with RN 1, RN 1 stated on 12/31/2024 early morning, Resident 1 activated the exit door alarm twice by room [ROOM NUMBER]. RN 1 stated Resident 1 was found twice close to the exit door in room [ROOM NUMBER]. RN 1 stated the exit door was close. RN 1 stated both times Resident 1 mentioned she (Resident 1) was looking for her (Resident 1) clothes. RN 1 stated there were no staff, no wheelchair or walker with her (Resident 1). RN 1 stated Resident 1 was a high risk for fall and could possibly fall if alone in the corner of the hallway with no supervision. During a record review of facility's PnP titled, Wandering and Elopement, dated 3/2019 and last reviewed on 1/15/2024, the PnP indicated, The facility will identify residents who are at risk of unsafe wandering and strive to prevent harm while maintaining the least restrictive environment for residents. 1. If identified as at risk for wandering, elopement, or other safety issues. the resident's care plan will include strategies and interventions to maintain the resident' safety.: (continued on next page)		

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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER The Gardens Healthcare Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 17650 Devonshire Street Northridge, CA 91325	
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