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F 0689 Level of Harm - 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** 49373 Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to prevent an avoidable fall for one of four sampled residents (Resident 1) when Resident 1 fell from the mechanical lift device (also known as Hoyer lift, a device that helps caregivers lift and transfer residents from one place to another) while being transferred by Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) 1 from his bed to recliner. This failure resulted in Resident 1 sustaining a head trauma (injury that occurs when there is a direct or indirect blow to the head), which led to hospitalization and subsequent death. Findings: Review of the facility's investigative report, dated [DATE], indicated On Friday, [DATE], at approximately 9:59 AM. (Name of Resident 1) under the care of a temporary agency (also known as registry - temporary staffing agency) Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) during a morning shift, suffered a fall while being transferred using a Hoyer lift . We originally reported that the fall was caused by the incorrect use of the sling as well as the time of the patient's manner of jerking. However, after interviewing all of the staff working that day, it was discovered that these statements were only based on speculation. It was incorrectly reported that the patient started jerking while on the floor. However, the investigation clarified that the patient (Resident 1) started jerking while still in the sling during the transfer. The sudden movement caused the patient to slide from the sling and the incident happened so fast that they were unable to prevent the fall . Review of Resident 1's Admission Record, indicated Resident 1 was admitted on [DATE]. Review of Resident 1's physician's Progress Note, dated [DATE], indicated Resident 1 had diagnoses including severe Lewy body dementia (a disease associated with abnormal deposits of protein in the brain that can lead to problems with thinking, movement, behavior, and mood) and unspecified secondary parkinsonism (brain disorder that causes unintended or uncontrollable movements, such as shaking, stiffness, and difficulty with balance and coordination). Review of Resident 1's MDS (minimum data set - a standardized assessment tool for nursing home residents), dated [DATE], indicated Resident 1 had moderate cognitive impairment (problems with a person's ability to think, learn, remember, use judgement, and make decisions) and was dependent on two or more staff to transfer from bed to chair and vice-versa. (continued on next page)		

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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