

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  675361	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  07/02/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Wharton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  1220 Sunny Lane Wharton, TX 77488	

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<p>F 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Immediately tell the resident, the resident's doctor, and a family member of situations (injury/decline/room, etc.) that affect the resident.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 47358</b></p> <p>Based on observations, interviews and record reviews, the facility failed to immediately consult with the residents' Physician; and notify her authority, the resident' representative when there was need to alter treatment for 1 of 1 resident (Resident # 1)reviewed for notification .</p> <p>The facility failed to notify Resident #1's physician and Relative # 1 when Resident # 1 experienced a change of condition including low blood sugar on 6/23/2024.</p> <p>This failure placed residents experiencing a delay in medical treatment and worsening of condition symptoms.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Record review of Resident # 1's face sheet, dated 12/7/2021, revealed she was [AGE] year-old female who was admitted to the facility on [DATE]. She was diagnosed with End Stage Renal Disease (a medical condition in which kidneys cease functioning on a permanent basis), Essential (Primary) Hypertension (high blood pressure), Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus with Hyperglycemia (high blood sugar levels), Dependence on Renal Dialysis ( someone's kidneys are no longer working properly and they need regular dialysis to survive), Hyperglyceridemia ( too much cholesterol), Shortness of Breath (difficult breathing), and Schizophrenia (a disorder that affects a person's ability to think, feel, and behave clearly).</p> <p>Record review of Resident # 1's MDS, dated [DATE], revealed she a BIMS score of 5 ( severe cognitive Impairment); Resident # 1 had difficulty focusing attention and altered level of consciousness. Resident # 1 required limited assistance from at least one staff for transfers and bed mobility. Insulin injections were received during the last 7 days.</p> <p>Record review of Resident # 1's care plan, revised 11/30/2023 revealed the following care areas:</p> <p>o Resident # 1 has Diabetes Mellitus and was at risk for unstable blood glucose levels. Goals include resident will be free from any s/sx of hyperglycemia. Resident # 1 will have no complications related to diabetes. Resident # 1 will be from any s/sx hypoglycemia. Intervention include administer medication as ordered per MD, monitor/document /report PRN any s/sx of hypoglycemia (low blood sugar), Sweating, Tremor, Increased heart rate (Tachycardia) Pallor ( loss of skin color) , Nervousness, Confusion, slurred speech, lack of coordination, staggering gait( unsteady walking pattern).</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 0580</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>o Resident # 1 was on hemodialysis related to end stage renal disease on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:30 am. Days may vary based on holidays and dialysis center schedule. Goals include intervention should any s/sx of complication from dialysis occurs. Interventions includes monitor vital signs and notify MD of significant.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's progress note dated 6/23/2023 at 12:10 pm, LVN A wrote Resident with BGS of 47, this nurse provided snack and drink to resident and stayed at bedside. Rechecked BGS approximately 10 minutes later and sugar was 157. No hypoglycemic symptoms displayed during this episode.</p> <p>Record review of Resident # 1's Blood Sugar Summary for June 2024 revealed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 6/23/2024 at 7:53 am blood sugar was 167 mg/dl</li> <li>o 6/23/2024 at 11:47 am blood sugar was 47 mg/dl</li> <li>o 6/23/2024 at 6:28 pm blood sugar was 226 mg/dl</li> <li>o 6/23/2024 at 10:01 pm blood sugar was 122 mg/dl</li> </ul> <p>Record review of Resident # 1's reviewed on 5/28/2024 revealed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Novolog injection solution 100 unit/ml-insulin aspart (an insulin analog indicated to improve glycemic control in patients with diabetes mellitus). Directions: inject 10 unit subcutaneous; start date 6/3/2024. End date: open ended</li> <li>o Give a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Directions: at bedtime for Diabetes Mellitus; start date 5/1/2024. End date: open ended</li> <li>o Ozempic (0.25 or 0.5 mg/dose) Subcutaneous solution pen injector 2mg/3/ml (Semaglutide). Direction: Inject 0.5 mg subcutaneous; start date 4/29/2024. End date: open ended</li> <li>o Novolog Injection Solution 100 unit/ml (insulin aspart). Directions: Inject as per sliding scale; start date 3/27/2024. End date: open ended</li> <li>o ACCUCHECKS before meals and at bedtime. Directions: before meals and at bedtime; start date 6/22/2023. End date: open ended</li> <li>o Glucan emergency injection kit 1 mg (Glucagon rDNA). Directions: Inject 1 dose intramuscular; start date 6/21/2023. End date: open ended</li> </ul> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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