

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 02/06/2026
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 0584</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Honor the resident's right to a safe, clean, comfortable and homelike environment, including but not limited to receiving treatment and supports for daily living safely.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview and record review the facility failed to ensure a resident had a right to a safe, clean, comfortable and homelike environment, including housekeeping and maintenance services necessary to maintain a sanitary, orderly, and comfortable interior for 1 of 8 residents (Resident #2) reviewed for environmental concerns. 1. The facility failed to ensure there were not dried, thick streaks of mucus covering Resident #2's dresser and the walls surrounding his dresser spanning an area of approximately 5 feet by 5 feet. 2. The facility failed to ensure there were no crayon and/or pen marks of multiple colors on the wall next to Resident #2's bed. These failures could place residents at risk of a diminished quality of life due to exposure to an environment that was unpleasant, unsanitary, and unsafe. The findings include: Record review of Resident #2's admission Record generated on 2/6/26 revealed he was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses of Alzheimer's disease, heart failure, bipolar disorder, gastro-esophageal reflux disease and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was [AGE] years of age. Record review of Resident #2's Care Plan Report dated 11/6/24 revealed he had a behavior problem of spitting on the floors and walls in his room. Interventions included, .Anticipate and meet The resident's needs, caregivers to provided (sic) opportunity for positive interaction, attention. Stop and talk with him/her as passing by. If reasonable, discuss The resident's behavior. Explain/reinforce why behavior is inappropriate and/or unacceptable to the resident. In an observation on 2/3/26 at 4:23 PM, Resident #2's dresser, and walls next to his dresser were covered in dried, thick streaks of mucus that were brown, red, or pink in color. They covered an area of approximately 5 feet by 5 feet. On the wall next to his bed there were crayon and/or pen marks of multiple colors, scribbled on the wall in the size of approximately 2 feet by 1 foot. In an interview on 2/3/26 at 4:30 PM, CNA A said she heard Resident #2 spit on the walls. She said the nurses and nurse managers were aware. In an attempted interview with Resident #2 on 2/3/26 at 4:31pm revealed he could not be interviewed. In an interview on 2/6/26 at 12:58 PM, the Maintenance Director, said housekeeping staff would remove the mucus material in Resident #2's room. He said they were going to start using a magic eraser product. He said housekeeping staff were still cleaning the room, and they could not paint over biological material and would want them to remove it as best as they could before they painted the wall or made any repairs. In an interview on 2/6/26 at 2:00 PM, the Environmental Supervisor said Resident #2 spit so much, they had to clean his room twice daily sometimes. She said right now it was clean and in 2 hours some of the wall would be covered again. She said they used disinfectant to clean the walls and washed his curtain. She said they cleaned it last night. She said it was not hard to clean the stain off. She said if it stayed too long it was difficult to clean. In an observation on 2/6/26 at 2:00 PM, Resident #2's walls were clean. There were some small spots on the wall where the sheetrock was damaged. In an interview on 2/6/26 at 4:00 PM, ADON B said Resident #2 spit on his walls. She said she</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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