

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  675614	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  04/17/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  Ballinger Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  2001 6th St Ballinger, TX 76821	
For information on the nursing home's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the nursing home or the state survey agency.			
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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure each resident received adequate supervision and assistance devices to prevent accidents for 1 of 5 resident (Resident #1) reviewed for accidents, hazards, supervision. CNA A and CNA B improperly transferred Resident #1 by hooking their arms under hers. The failure could place residents who required assistance during transfers at risk for injuries. The findings included:Review of Resident #1's admission Record, dated 4/14/26, revealed she was a [AGE] year-old female admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses including fracture of the left hip, stroke, dementia with agitation, and osteoporosis. Review of Resident #1's Quarterly MDS Assessment, dated 3/20/26, revealed:She had a BIMS of 1 of 15 (indicating severe cognitive impairment) and showed signs of delirium including inattention and disorganized thinking.She rejected care 1 to 3 days of the previous 7.She was dependent on staff for chair to bed transfers. Review of Resident #1's Care Plan Report, revised 4/8/24, revealed:Focus: Resident had an ADL Self Care Performance Deficit. Resident was mostly substantial to totally dependent [on staff for] ADLS except when eating.Goal: Resident will improve current level of function in (transfers) through the review date.Interventions included: Bed Mobility: require two staff for assistance. Observation on 4/14/26 at 4:35 p.m. revealed CNA A and CNA B assisted Resident #1 to sit at the edge of the bed. CNA B placed the gait belt on Resident #1. CNA A hooked her arms under Resident #1's arms and grabbed her by the seat of her pants. CNA B hooked her arms under Resident #1's and grabbed the back of the gait belt. The CNAs counted to three and completed a pivot transfer with Resident #1. Interview and observation on 4/14/26 at 4:39 p.m. the DOR stated the expectation for a two-person gait belt transfer was to place the gait blet on the resident and have the resident between the two staff. The DOR said staff were to have both hands on the gait belt and help the resident stand up and control where the resident went. The DOR stated he did not like the staff hooking their arms under the resident's arms because it placed a strain on the upper shoulders. The DOR said potential outcomes for this were to stretch the shoulders, skin tears, and bruises. The DOR stated it could hurt the resident including broken bones on the fragile residents. The DOR admitted he worked with Resident #1; he described her as impulsive since she had a stroke two years ago, she had cognitive problems and had sundowners (loss of cognitive ability at the end of the day) very quickly, and fragile since she lost a lot of weight. The DOR stated Resident #1 was able bear weight, stand, transfer, and walk 10 - 15 feet if encouraged but her balance was not good. He said his part of training the staff was usually on a one-on-one basis when the facility identified issues. During the interview, CNA A walked in and returned a gait belt labeled '?therapy'. CNA A said she did not need it and usually transferred a resident by the seat of their pants. The DOR stated transferring a resident by the seat of their pants was not a safe practice because it could cause friction, skin tears, and get very uncomfortable in a hurry. Interview on 4/14/26 at 5:17 p.m. the Administrator was informed of the observation and stated that staff hooking their arms under a resident's arms was not appropriate. Interview on 4/17/26 at 1:17 p.m. CNA B stated she thought the transfer went really well because Resident #1 did not fight them. Initially CNA B denied hooking her arms under Resident #1's arms but (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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