

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 675764	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 03/08/2024
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<p>F 0690</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide appropriate care for residents who are continent or incontinent of bowel/bladder, appropriate catheter care, and appropriate care to prevent urinary tract infections.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 35822</p> <p>Based on observations, interviews, and record review the facility failed to ensure residents who were incontinent of bowel and bladder received appropriate treatment and services to prevent urinary tract infections and restore as much bowel functions as possible for 1 of 5 (Resident #1) residents reviewed for bowel and bladder incontinence.</p> <p>-CNA A failed to change Resident #1's soiled brief every 2 hours.</p> <p>-CNA A failed to thoroughly clean resident's vaginal area to prevent infections.</p> <p>This failure placed resident at risk for unwanted UTI's and a decrease in quality of life.</p> <p>Findings were:</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's face sheet dated 03/08/2024 revealed that resident was an 56-year- old female admitted to the facility originally on 02/23/20218 and latest return to the facility on [DATE] with the diagnoses that included the following: dementia (impairment of at least two brain functions that include memory loss and judgement), anxiety, type 2 diabetes mellitus, hypertensive (high blood pressure) heart disease, obesity, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (group of lung diseases that block airflow making it difficult to breathe), diarrhea, depression, bipolar disorder (mood swings ranging from depression to high energy and excitement), and personal history of urinary tract infections.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's quarterly MDS assessment dated [DATE] revealed that the resident's BIMS score was 14 indicating that resident cognition was intact. Further review of MDS section GG revealed that the resident was dependent for personal hygiene. Further review revealed that the resident was always incontinent of bowel and bladder.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's diagnostic testing dated 09/19/2023 revealed a urine C & S reflected that the resident had tested positive for UTI positive for the following bacteria in the urine klebsiella pneumoniae and Escherichia coli.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's Physician orders for the month of September 2023 reflected the following order:</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 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 35822</p> <p>Based on observations, interviews, and record review, the facility failed to establish and maintain an infection prevention program designed to provide a safe, sanitary, and comfortable environment and to help prevent the development and transmission of communicable diseases and infections for 1 (Resident #1) of 5 residents reviewed for infection control.</p> <p>-CNA A failed to change gloves and sanitize her hands to place clean fitted sheet on Resident #1's mattress during incontinent care.</p> <p>-CNA B took a bedside table from another resident room to Resident #1's room to use during care .</p> <p>-CNA B placed soiled linen bag on floor.</p> <p>This failure placed resident at risk for cross contamination, risk of infections, and decrease in health.</p> <p>Findings were:</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's face sheet dated 03/08/2024 revealed that resident was an 56year old female admitted to the facility originally on 02/23/20218 and latest return to the facility on [DATE] with the diagnoses that included the following: dementia (impairment of at least two brain functions that include memory loss and judgement), anxiety, type 2 diabetes mellitus, hypertensive (high blood pressure) heart disease, obesity, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (group of lung diseases that block airflow making it difficult to breathe), diarrhea, depression, bipolar disorder (mood swings ranging from depression to high energy and excitement), and personal history of urinary tract infections.</p> <p>Record review of Resident #1's quarterly MDS dated [DATE] revealed that resident BIMS score was 14 indicating that resident cognition was intact. Further review of MDS section GG revealed that resident was dependent for personal hygiene. Further review revealed that resident was always incontinent of bowel and bladder.</p> <p>Observation on 03/08/2024 at 8:45AM revealed Resident #1 was resting in bed. Further observation was made of resident fitted sheet with brown ring around the soiled circled edge.</p> <p>In an interview on 03/08/2024 at 8:45AM Resident #1 said her brief needed to be changed.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0880</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Observation on 03/08/2024 at 9:50AM revealed CNA A entered Resident #1's room with clean linens in hand along with CNA B. CNA A went to the bathroom to wash her hands and put on a set of clean gloves. Further observation was made of CNA B leaving Resident #1's room and returning to Resident #1's room with a bedside table that was unclean with stains on surface. CNA B went and washed her hands but did not sanitize the bedside table proceeding to place on a clean set of gloves to assist CNA A with incontinent care for Resident #1. CNA A placed a clean brief along with other personal care items on the bedside table. Further observation was made of the resident brief being heavily soiled with urine and feces. When CNA A positioned resident to her left side to finish cleaning feces off resident buttocks,. CNA A proceeded to apply a clean fitted sheet without changing gloves, sanitizing her hands, and placing on a new set of gloves. CNA B placed the soiled materials that were inside of a bag on the floor .</p> <p>In an interview on 03/08/2024 at 10:10AM CNA B said she did not sanitize the bedside table that she had taken from another resident's room to provide care for Resident #1 because too much was going on and therefore did not take the time to do so. CNA B said she did not know that it was wrong to place soiled linens inside of a bag on the floor. CNA B said she could not remember the last time she had received an in-service on infection control. CNA B said she had been working at the facility for approximately 2.5 months.</p> <p>In an interview on 03/08/2024 at 10:27AM CNA A said soiled linens inside of a bag should not be placed on the floor for infection control purposes and cross contamination. CNA A said staff should not be using other residents' bedside tables due to cross contamination. CNA A said the reason she did not change her soiled gloves before applying clean sheets to Resident #1's mattress was due to her getting nervous during incontinent care .</p> <p>In an interview on 03/08/2024 at 11:15AM the DON said the staff should not be taking equipment out of other resident's rooms or placing bags with soiled material inside of it on the floor for infection control and cross contamination .</p> <p>In an interview on 03/08/2024 at 11:35AM the infection control nurse said the staff had received infection control training that included handwashing on 03/01/2024. The infection control nurse said she had done more training on infection control on 03/6/2024. The infection control nurse said CNA A was present but later found out that CNA B was not present. The infection control nurse said she had asked CNA B why she did not attend, and CNA B said she was working on the unit at the time of the mandatory training and was unable to come to the training. The infection control nurse said all staff received training on infection control at the time of hire and annually. The infection control nurse said staff were not supposed to share resident to resident bedside tables or place soiled linen bags on the floor due to cross contamination.</p> <p>Record review of the facility last in-service on infection control mandatory was 03/06/2024. Further review revealed that CNA A had signed that she received the in-service, but CNA B had not.</p> <p>Record review of the facility policy on Infection Control dated 11/28/2017 revealed in part:</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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