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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 676387	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 02/15/2024
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Highland Meadows Health & Rehab		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1870 S John King Blvd Rockwall, TX 75032	
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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F 0813 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Have a policy regarding use and storage of foods brought to residents by family and other visitors. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 46403 Based on observations, interviews, and record review the facility failed to follow their policy regarding storage of foods brought to the residents by family and other visitors to ensure safe and sanitary storage, handling, and consumption of the food and beverages for 9 Residents (#7, #54, #264, #92, #33, #21, #55, #10, and #28) out of 9 reviewed for personal food storage. The facility did not have documentation of temperature checks for the resident's personal refrigerators. The facility staff did not label, date, and clean the nourishment refrigerator for the residents. The deficient practice placed one hundred and ten residents who had used the nourishment refrigerators at risk of food borne illness. The deficient practice placed nine residents who had personal refrigerators at risk of food borne illness. The findings included : Observation on [DATE] at 8:00 AM revealed Resident#7 did not have documentation of temperatures for personal refrigerator. Observation on [DATE] at 8:05AM revealed Resident#54 did not have documentation of temperatures for personal refrigerator. Observation on [DATE] at 8:10 AM revealed Resident#264 did not have documentation of temperatures for personal refrigerator. Interview revealed that she does not use her refrigerator that much and she would clean it out. Observation on [DATE] at 8:13 AM revealed Resident#92 did not have documentation of temperatures for personal refrigerator. Observation on [DATE] at 8:17 AM revealed Resident#33 did not have documentation of temperatures for personal refrigerator. Interview revealed grandson brought food and cleaned it out refrigerator. (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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F 0880 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program. 47030 Based on observations, interviews, and record review, the facility failed to establish and maintain an infection prevention and control program designed to provide a safe, sanitary, and comfortable environment and to help prevent the development and transmission of communicable diseases and infections for three of three residents (Resident #21, #95, and #88) reviewed for infection control. 1. MA A touched medications without gloves and administered to Resident #21. 2. MA A failed to clean the blood pressure machine while checking the blood pressure for Resident #21 and #95. 3. CNA B failed to complete hand hygiene while providing incontinent care to Resident #88. These failures could place residents at risk for contamination and infection. The findings included: Observation on 02/13/24 at 09:45 AM reflected MA A checked Resident #21's blood pressure and then proceeded to prepare the medications for Resident #21 and put them in the medication cart. While getting the medications from the medication bottle, MA A picked up the medications without gloves. MA A then administered the medications to the resident. MA A completed hand hygiene then proceeded to Resident #95's room and checked her blood pressure. In an interview on 02/13/24 at 10:14 AM with MA A stated she was aware that she was not supposed to touch the medications with ungloved hands, but she forgot. MA A stated her hands were considered contaminated, so she was not supposed to touch medications without gloves. MA A stated she was not supposed to clean the blood pressure machine unless she had residents who were in isolation. She stated since there were no residents on isolation, she did not need to clean the blood pressure machine. MA A stated she was supposed to maintain infection control to prevent the spread of infection from one resident to another. Observation on 02/14/24 at 01:43 PM revealed CNA B providing incontinent care to Resident #88. The resident was in bed, CNA B went in the room gloved and positioned the resident. CNA B proceeded to unfasten the resident's brief and positioned the resident on her side. Resident #88 had small amount of bowel movement, which was loose. CNA B cleaned the resident and then realized she did not have a trash bag. She then ungloved and left the room. CNA B came back in the room and gloved without any form of hand hygiene. She had a packet of wipes in her hands and trash bag. She then continued to clean the resident's bottom area with wipes and took off gloves after cleaning the resident and donned clean gloves without any form of hand hygiene. CNA B proceed to apply the clean brief, fastened the brief, and positioned the resident, then bagged the trash and left the room without any form of hand hygiene. (continued on next page)		

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