

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 065052	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/13/2025
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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Protect each resident from all types of abuse such as physical, mental, sexual abuse, physical punishment, and neglect by anybody.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure two (#2 and #3) of four residents were free from abuse out of 10 sample residents.</p> <p>Specifically, the facility failed to ensure Resident #2 and Resident #3 were free from physical abuse by each other.</p> <p>On 4/16/25 Resident #2 attempted to strike Resident #3. Resident #3 responded by grabbing Resident #2. Both residents fell to the ground. Resident #3 sustained a left humerus (shoulder) fracture. Resident #2 sustained bruising to his arm and an abrasion to his back.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>I. Facility policy and procedure</p> <p>The Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation policy, 2024, was provided by the nursing home administrator (NHA) on 5/7/25 at 10:15 a.m. via email. It read in pertinent part,</p> <p>It is the policy of this facility to provide protections for the health, welfare and rights of each resident by developing and implementing written policies and procedures that prohibit and prevent abuse, neglect, exploitation and misappropriation of resident property.</p> <p>Abuse means the willful infliction of injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or punishment with resulting physical harm, pain or mental anguish, which can include staff to resident abuse and certain resident to resident altercations. Abuse also includes the deprivation by an individual, including a caretaker, of goods or services that are necessary to attain or maintain physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being. Instances of abuse of all residents, irrespective of any mental or physical condition, cause physical harm, pain or mental anguish. It includes verbal abuse, sexual abuse, physical abuse, and mental abuse including abuse facilitated or enabled through the use of technology.</p> <p>Physical abuse includes, but is not limited to hitting, slapping, punching, biting, and kicking.</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 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Serious bodily injury means an injury involving extreme physical pain; involving substantial risk of death; involving protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty; requiring medical intervention such as surgery, hospitalization, or physical rehabilitation.</p> <p>II. Physical abuse between Resident #2 and Resident #3 on 4/16/25</p> <p>A. Facility investigation</p> <p>The 4/16/25 facility investigation was provided by the NHA on 5/12/25 at 9:15 a.m.</p> <p>The investigation documented Resident #2 and Resident #3 resided on a secured unit. Resident #2 had severe cognitive impairment, impaired communication ability and weighed 150.6 pounds. Resident #3 was cognitively intact and had delusions and hallucinations in regards to self and others. Resident #3 weighed 268.2 pounds, which was over a 100 pound difference between the two residents.</p> <p>The investigation documented that on 4/16/25 at approximately 4:00 a.m., Resident #3 was sitting in a recliner in the dining room. Resident #2 entered the dining room with clothing from his room and placed his clothing on the tables. Resident #3 asked Resident #2 what he was doing. Resident #2 responded with something inaudible on the video surveillance, while he pointed his finger at Resident #3. Resident #3 got up out of his recliner and moved toward Resident #2. Resident #2 swung at Resident #3 but missed contact. Resident #3 said to protect himself before he put his arms around Resident #2, both men grappled and both fell to the ground.</p> <p>The nurse who was seated at a nurses station and was not in view of the dining room heard noise that came from the dining room. Upon investigation, the nurse found both Resident #2 and Resident #3 on the ground. The nurse separated the residents. Resident #2 sustained a bruise to the posterior right arm and a linear abrasion to the mid-spine. Resident #3 sustained a non-displaced fracture to the left humerus. Both residents were placed on 15-minute checks.</p> <p>The investigation documented that it was determined by the medical director (MD) and a psychiatrist, that Resident #2 had a gradual dose reduction (GDR) of Zyprexa medication from 2.5 mg (milligrams), and the decision was made to stop the medication completely in December 2024. Resident #2 was reviewed in the psychopharmacological meetings and it appeared to be successful for several weeks until a few days before the altercation. The investigation documented on 4/14/25 licensed practical nurse (LPN) #2 requested Resident #2 be put back on Zyprexa 2.5 mg and the GDR be stopped. The physicians agreed, based on Resident #2's behavior tracking. The Zyprexa was re-ordered for Resident #2. According to the physician's interviews, Zyprexa 2.5 mg, an antipsychotic medication had not been able to take effect in the two days from 4/14/25 until the incident on 4/16/25.</p> <p>The investigation documented Resident #2 and Resident #3 had not had an altercation with each other prior to the incident.</p> <p>B. Resident #2</p> <p>1. Resident status</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Resident #2, age less than 65, was admitted on [DATE]. According to the May 2025 computerized physician orders (CPO), diagnoses included bipolar disorder (mental illness) and alcohol-induced persisting dementia.</p> <p>The 4/4/25 minimum data set (MDS) assessment revealed the resident had severe cognitive impairments with a brief interview for mental status (BIMS) score of three out of 15. He was independent with eating, toileting, personal hygiene and walking.</p> <p>2. Record review</p> <p>The 12/17/24 interdisciplinary team (IDT) psychotherapeutic review revealed Resident #2's Zyprexa 2.5 mg was discontinued that day (12/17/24).</p> <p>The cognitive impairment care plan, revised 1/9/25 revealed Resident #2 had cognitive impairments, exhibited cognitive loss related to alcohol-induced persisting dementia. He had short and long term memory loss, disorganized thinking, difficulty with word finding at times and was only oriented to himself. Pertinent interventions included monitoring the resident for changes in cognitive status, notifying the physician if changes in cognitive status were noticed, providing cognitive therapy, administering medications as ordered and notifying the physician if the resident's behavior interfered with daily functioning.</p> <p>The 3/30/25 IDT psychotherapeutic review revealed Resident #2 was stable, with no change after the discontinuation of Zyprexa.</p> <p>The 4/14/25 nursing progress note, documented at 4:14 a.m., revealed Resident #2 had increased agitation, was difficult to redirect and continually paced from his room to the dining room.</p> <p>Another 4/14/25 nursing progress note, documented at 6:00 a.m., revealed Resident #2 again displayed increased agitation in the dining room, threw chairs and tipped a table.</p> <p>Another 4/14/25 nursing progress note, documented at 10:52 a.m. revealed the resident's agitation had increased</p> <p>The 4/14/25 behavioral progress note documented at 12:10 p.m., revealed Resident #2 voided in a trashcan in the dining room and when asked to stop he raised his voice and said no.</p> <p>Another 4/14/25 nursing progress note, documented at 2:10 p.m., revealed Resident #2 was more agitated than normal and he continued to pace the hallway.</p> <p>Another 4/15/25 nursing progress note, documented at 1:04 p.m., revealed Resident #2 was being monitored for Zyprexa use.</p> <p>Review of the April 2025 CPO revealed the following physician's order:</p> <p>Zyprexa oral tablet 2.5 mg, give at bedtime for angry outbursts, throwing chairs, and verbal aggression related to bipolar disorder, ordered 4/14/25.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Another 4/16/25 nursing progress note, documented at 4:23 p.m., revealed the Xray was positive for a fracture of Resident #3's left humeral head (shoulder). Physician's orders were received for a sling and a referral to an orthopedic surgeon was made.</p> <p>The 4/23/25 IDT progress note revealed Resident #3 was not the aggressor in the incident with Resident #2.</p> <p>-However, the facility investigation documented Resident #3 wrapped his arms around Resident #2 and both fell to the ground (see facility investigation above).</p> <p>The 4/23/25 pain assessment revealed Resident #3 had frequent and almost constant pain. The resident revealed his pain level was a 8 out of 10 on a pain scale of 1-10 recorded as the highest.</p> <p>VI. Staff interviews</p> <p>The psychiatrist was interviewed on 5/8/25 at 3:45 p.m. The psychiatrist said he had worked as Resident #2's psychiatrist when he lived in the community and continued to be involved with his care when he was admitted to the facility. He said because of Resident #2's alcohol use, he had dementia and needed the level of care provided in the facility. The psychiatrist said the resident continued with a small dose of Zyprexa (2.5 mg) after doing previous successful GDRs. The psychiatrist said the facility's IDT team, along with his involvement, decided to discontinue Zyprexa in December 2024. He said the Zyprexa was discontinued for a few months with success. He said in April 2025, Resident #2 started to show aggressive behavior, which was not normal for Resident #2. He said it was not just a bad day in April 2025 and it seemed his baseline was off. He said a few days before the altercation, he decided to put Resident #2 back on the Zyprexa. The psychiatrist said the Zyprexa was restarted two days before the aggressive behavior incident happened with Resident #3. The psychiatrist said two days prior to the incident was not long enough for the Zyprexa to take effect. The psychiatrist said Resident #2 was now doing well after the Zyprexa was restarted. The psychiatrist said the reason for the incident was due to Resident #2 and the GDR of Zyprexa.</p> <p>The psychiatrist said he had been Resident #3's psychiatrist for several years. The psychiatrist said Resident #3 was very delusional. The psychiatrist said Resident #3 was not agreeable to any medication changes. The psychiatrist said in his opinion, Resident #3 was not the reason for the altercation with Resident #2.</p> <p>The NHA was interviewed on 5/12/25 at 9:15 a.m. The NHA said he reviewed surveillance videos, along with resident and staff interviews for the investigation.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0600</p> <p>Level of Harm - Actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>LPN #2 was interviewed on 5/12/25 at 11:14 a.m. She said the day of the altercation (4/16/25) between Resident #2 and Resident #3, she was in her car in the parking lot at approximately 4:30 a.m. She said she received a phone call from the nurse who separated the residents. She said she immediately came into the building and went to the floor where the altercation occurred. She said she immediately called the NHA. She said she and the NHA watched the video surveillance cameras. She said the video surveillance revealed Resident #2 attempted to punch Resident #3 but the punch did not hit Resident #3. LPN #2 said Resident #3 then grabbed Resident #2 like a wrestler would do and Resident #3 put his arms around Resident #2 and both residents fell to the ground. She said she had worked with Resident #2 for a long time and there had never been an incident like the one that occurred. She said a few days prior, the nursing staff had called the physician to restart Resident #2's Zyprexa . LPN #2 said as the Zyprexa was restarted, the staff knew to observe and let Resident #2 pace down the hallway while his medication took effect. She said that was two days prior to the incident and the medication was likely to not have taken effect yet. She said Resident #2 sustained a bruise on his back and a small skin abrasion on his arm. She said Resident #2 was placed back on Zyprexa and he was no longer agitated like he was prior to the incident.</p> <p>LPN #2 said the surgeon had cancelled two appointments with Resident #3 due to the surgeon's schedule and an appointment was rescheduled again. She said the resident's family member wanted an appointment to be made with a specific surgeon.</p> <p>The director of nursing (DON) was interviewed on 5/12/25 at 11:55 a.m. She said Resident #2 had not had any physical violence prior to the incident on 4/16/25. The DON said in the March 2025 IDT psychopharmacological meeting, Resident #2's medications and behaviors were discussed. The DON said Resident #2 was reviewed in the psychopharmacological meeting in March 2025 to determine if the resident was tolerating not being on Zyprexa. The DON said the IDT team determined in the March 2025 meeting that they would continue with the discontinuation of the Zyprexa to determine if it was a successful GDR or not.</p> <p>The DON said in April 2025, after monitoring Resident #2's behaviors, LPN #2 spoke to the psychiatrist about Resident #2. The DON said it was determined by the psychiatrist to put Resident #2 back on the Zyprexa 2.5 mg. The DON said that was two days before the altercation with Resident #3, which was not enough time for the medication to work.</p> <p>The social services director (SSD) was interviewed on 5/12/25 at 1:00 p.m. The SSD said Resident #2 had not had any physical violence before the incident on 4/16/25. The SSD said Resident #2 and Resident #3 had not had any altercations with any other residents since the incident on 4/16/25.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</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>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, record review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure an environment free of accident hazards for one (#1) of one resident reviewed for accidents/hazards out of 10 sample residents.</p> <p>Resident #1, who was at risk for elopement, required 15-minute safety checks due to inappropriate behaviors with staff and residents unrelated to his elopement risk. The staff on the fourth floor where Resident #1 resided were to observe Resident #1 and document his behaviors with the 15-minute safety checks.</p> <p>-However, the two certified nurse aides (CNA) and one licensed practical nurse (LPN) on duty the night of 4/11/25 failed to perform Resident #1's 15-minute safety checks per facility protocol (see nursing home administrator's (NHA) interview below).</p> <p>On 4/11/25 at approximately 8:14 p.m. Resident #1 rode an elevator in the facility from the fourth floor down to the first floor, walked to the front door, opened the front door, which set off an alarm, and left the facility. A staff member heard the alarm and looked out a window, however, the staff member failed to go outside and search for anyone. When the staff member did not see anyone outside, the door was relocked and the alarm was reset.</p> <p>At approximately 4:00 a.m. on 4/12/25 (almost eight hours after the resident left the facility through the front door, setting off the alarm) a CNA noticed Resident #1 was gone around 4:00 a.m. on 4/12/25, notified the LPN and the staff began a search for the resident. However, staff failed to notify the NHA about the missing resident until 6:13 a.m., over two hours after the staff initially noticed the resident was missing. The local police department was notified to help with the search.</p> <p>The police found Resident #1 at approximately 8:15 a.m., 12 hours after he left the facility. Resident #1 was sitting on a curb in a neighborhood, was confused and was unable to tell the police what had happened during the previous 12 hours. The police took Resident #1 to the local hospital where he was evaluated, determined to have no injuries and sent back to the facility.</p> <p>Resident #1 was immediately placed in the facility's secure unit for safety upon his return to the facility.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Record review and interviews confirmed the facility corrected the deficient practice prior to the onsite investigation from 5/7/25 to 5/13/25, resulting in the deficiency being cited as past noncompliance with a correction date of 4/12/25.</p> <p>I. Situation of serious harm</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The facility failed to respond to an alarm on 4/11/25 at approximately 8:15 p.m. when Resident #1 opened the front door on the first floor and left the facility. A staff member did not investigate when he heard the front door alarm. The staff member looked out a window, and when the staff member did not see anyone, the door was relocked and the alarm was reset. Additionally, the facility failed to conduct 15-minute safety checks on Resident #1 on 4/11/25, which resulted in the facility not identifying the resident was missing until 4:00 a.m. on 4/12/25.</p> <p>Resident #1 was wandering in the community for approximately 12 hours before the police found him sitting on a curb in a neighborhood at approximately 8:15 a.m. on 4/12/25.</p> <p>The facility's failure to ensure staff conducted 15-minute safety checks on Resident #1 and responded to a door alarm appropriately created a situation for the likelihood of serious harm.</p> <p>II. Facility plan of correction</p> <p>The corrective action plan implemented by the facility in response to Resident #1's elopement on 4/11/25 was provided by the NHA on 5/5/25 at 10:00 a.m. It revealed the following:</p> <p>A. Immediate action to correct the deficient practice for Resident #1</p> <p>On 4/12/25 at 8:00 a.m. the facility conducted an investigation into the elopement of Resident #1. The facility interviewed all staff who were on duty, which included those who were responsible for the resident's direct care. The surveillance videos were reviewed to determine when the resident left through the front door, what happened with the staff member who did not go outside to investigate when the alarm went off and what the staff on the fourth floor had done from 8:00 p.m. on 4/11/25 until 6:00 a.m. on 4/12/25.</p> <p>Inspection of the door alarms determined the front door alarm had functioned properly.</p> <p>Resident #1 was taken to a local hospital by the police for a wellness check. The physician at the hospital documented the resident had no noted injury and was cleared to return to the facility.</p> <p>The facility managers, the medical director of the facility, and the representative for Resident #1 determined the resident needed to be placed in a secured unit. Placement was immediate upon the resident's arrival back to the facility from the hospital on 4/12/25.</p> <p>B. The facility identified deficient practice</p> <p>1. The facility had been having difficulty with the door alarms going off randomly due to the wind. A company came out in March 2025 and assessed and repaired all doors leading to the exterior. Staff did not search the parking lot when the door alarm sounded on 4/11/25 around 8:00 p.m. Staff assumed that the alarm sounded due to another reason (see CNA #2's interview below).</p> <p>2. Resident #1 had a history of exit seeking and had a care plan for the behavior. The resident was not placed on one-to-one supervision or placed in a secure unit with increased exit seeking behavior in the last month. The resident was already on 15-minute checks for behavior. However, the documentation on the 15-minute checks did not appear accurate.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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