

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 165524	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 10/02/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Bethany Lutheran Home		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE Seven Elliott Street Council Bluffs, IA 51503	
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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 observation, clinical record review, staff interviews, and policy review the facility failed to protect a resident from possible accidents and injuries for 1 of 2 residents (Resident #38). The facility failed to provide adequate supervision to prevent elopement. On 7/20/25 between 4:30-4:40 PM the staff last saw Resident #38 standing by the front door where visitors were exiting. The door alarm sounded with Staff A responding to the alarm but he failed to locate Resident #38 and went back to his previous duties being unaware Resident #38 was outside. On 7/20/25 at approximately 5:00 PM Staff B looked out the dining room window and observed Resident #38 walking down the sidewalk past the facility, near the bridge over a creek, towards a high traffic 3 lane street with a speed limit of 35 miles per hour. The upcoming 3 lane street did not have a side walk on the side Resident #38 was walking towards. The State Agency informed the facility on 10/1/25 at 12:10 PM of the Immediate Jeopardy (IJ) that began on 7/20/25. The immediacy was removed on 7/21/25 when the facility completed the following: Door Alarm Response Policy (11/2/18) training.Missing Resident Policy (12/21/18) training. Elopement Response Drill training.The facility reported a census of 90 residents. Findings include: The Minimum Data Set (MDS) for Resident #38 dated 5/19/25 identified a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 5/15 which indicated severe cognitive impairment. The MDS documented diagnoses that included: hypertension, renal insufficiency, thyroid disorder and Alzheimer's Disease. Resident #1 was independent with transfers and ambulation. The document disclosed the resident exhibited wandering behavior 1-3 days during the assessment period and wore a wander/elopement alarm.The Care Plan dated 9/15/25 identified a wandering focus area dated 5/14/25 with staff interventions to ensure a pathway for following, monitoring for signs/symptoms of urinary tract infection and use of a Wander Guard (5/14/25). Additional interventions of escorting the resident to and from activities and staff to attend all activities to redirect the resident when necessary was added on 7/21/25. The document contained a focus area for impaired cognition related to Alzheimer's dated 5/27/25 with interventions of keeping a consistent routine and escorting to/from activities revised 9/10/25. The Wandering Risk assessment dated [DATE] revealed Resident #38 had a score of 10/16 indicating a high risk to wander. The areas identified on the document included the resident was ambulatory, had a history of wandering, and a medical diagnosis of dementia/cognitive impairment. The document contained comments that on the date of the entry the resident had been wandering the halls today, almost went through a set of doors that set off alarms. Resident is independent with ambulation and could be mistaken for a non-resident and make her way out of the building in certain circumstances. The Morse Fall Scale dated 5/12/25 revealed a score of 60/125 indicating a high risk for falling. The document identified the resident had fallen within the past 3 months, did not use ambulatory aids, impaired gait (uses furniture as assistance, keeps head down when walking) and overestimates or forgets own limitations. A facility investigation revealed on 7/20/25 Resident #38 was assisted to the main floor chapel</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 0725</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>Provide enough nursing staff every day to meet the needs of every resident; and have a licensed nurse in charge on each shift.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observations, resident and staff interviews, document reviews and policy review the facility failed to provide nursing staff to assure residents safety by not responding to call lights in a timely manner for 6 of 27 residents reviewed (Resident #35, #42, #10, #30, #50 and #76). The facility reported a census of 90. Findings include:</p> <p>1. Resident #35's Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 15/15 indicating normal cognition. The document listed Resident #35 as frequently incontinent of bladder and bowel. The MDS listed the resident as requiring substantial/maximal assistance for toileting hygiene, bed mobility and transfers.</p> <p>Resident #35's Care Plan dated 9/24/25 revealed an Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) focus area, revised 9/9/25, with interventions of assisting with cares (9/3/25), bilateral bed rails (9/3/25), and reporting further deterioration to provider (9/3/25). The document included a urinary incontinence focus area dated 9/9/25 with interventions including incontinence care following each incontinence episode (9/9/25), report signs and symptoms of urinary tract infections (UTIs), and assist to toilet (9/9/25).</p> <p>On 9/30/25 at 2:46 PM Resident #35 stated call lights take a long time to be answered, sometimes longer than 15 minutes. The resident stated staff will come in at times, shut the call light off, say they will return and then do not. The resident stated he has been late to activities due to staff not answering his call light.</p> <p>On 10/1/25 at 5:45 AM Resident #35 stated he has been late to activities due to staff not answering his call light.</p> <p>2. Resident #42's MDS dated [DATE] revealed a BIMS score of 15/15 indicating normal cognition. The document listed Resident #42 as frequently incontinent of bladder and bowel. The MDS provided the resident required substantial/maximal assistance with toileting hygiene, and transfers.</p> <p>Resident #42's Care Plan dated 9/25/25 revealed an ADL focus area (7/24/25) that included interventions with providing assistance with care, allowing extra time to complete ADLs and reporting further deterioration to the provider (7/24/25). The document contained a focus area of at risk for skin breakdown related to incontinence and impaired mobility (revised 9/25/25) with interventions of keeping areas clean and dry as possible, minimize skin exposure to moisture (7/24/25) and skin treatments as ordered (9/25/25).</p> <p>On 9/29/25 at 10:38 AM Resident #42 stated it would take 45 minutes or longer to answer call lights. The resident stated the staff would answer the call light and then leave with statements of takes 2 to get you up, can't get you up as we are assisting other residents either to or from the dining room, or we have reports to do. The resident stated assistance at night was limited. Resident #42 revealed she has had incontinence episodes due to staff not answering her call light and that it makes her mad and uncomfortable.</p> <p>3. Resident #50's MDS dated 9/26/25, revealed a Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) score of 15/15 indicating normal cognition. The MDS identified a diagnosis of a stroke and dependent on staff</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0725</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>for toileting and transfers.</p> <p>Interview on 9/29/2025 at 11:21 AM, Resident #50 stated he was at the facility receiving therapy after a stroke, was doing therapy daily, and it usually takes 30 minutes for the staff to answer his call light.</p> <p>4. Resident #76's Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] revealed a BIMS score of 15/15 indicating normal cognition. The document listed the resident as occasionally incontinent of bladder and required substantial/maximal assistance for toileting hygiene, bed mobility and transfers.</p> <p>Interview on 9/29/2025 at 3:41 PM, Resident #76 stated staff come in and talk to each other or look at their phone and can wait 1 1/2 - 2 hours for them to answer the call light, days and evenings are the worst, nights is better. Resident stated she times it with the clock on her wall.</p> <p>5. Observation on 9/30/2025 at 4:27 PM, Staff U, Certified Medication Aide sitting at the Nurses' Station on a cell phone. Staff O, LPN instructed Staff U to go see if the other staff needed assistance.</p> <p>Review of document titled, Alarm Response Report provided by the Administrator revealed:</p> <p>a. room [ROOM NUMBER] had call lights with a response time of longer than 15 minutes from 9/24/25 - 10/1/25 on:</p> <p>9/25/25 at 6:35 PM 24 minutes and 09 seconds.</p> <p>9/27/25 at 6:50 PM 17 minutes and 25 seconds.</p> <p>9/28/25 at 7:19 PM 18 minutes and 02 seconds.</p> <p>9/29/25 at 8:46 AM 25 minutes and 04 seconds.</p> <p>9/29/25 at 5:01 PM 19 minutes and 32 seconds.</p> <p>b. room [ROOM NUMBER] had call lights with a response time longer than 15 minutes from 9/24/25 - 10/1/25 on:</p> <p>9/24/25 at 6:43 PM 27 minutes and 11 seconds.</p> <p>9/25/25 at 4:51 PM 16 minutes and 55 seconds.</p> <p>9/26/25 at 12:54 AM 23 minutes and 36 seconds.</p> <p>9/26/25 at 4:30 PM 1 hour and 58 seconds.</p> <p>9/26/25 at 7:20 PM 15 minutes and 39 seconds.</p> <p>9/26/25 at 7:36 PM 30 minutes and 2 seconds.</p> <p>9/28/25 at 7:07 AM 39 minutes and 27 seconds.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0725</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Some</p>	<p>9/28/25 at 7:24 PM 21 minutes and 38 seconds.</p> <p>9/29/25 at 7:10 PM 22 minutes and 47 seconds.</p> <p>c. room [ROOM NUMBER] had call lights with a response time of longer than 15 minutes from 9/24/25 - 10/1/25 on:</p> <p>9/24/25 at 4:31 AM 44 minutes and 15 seconds.</p> <p>9/24/25 at 6:53 AM 17 minutes and 49 seconds.</p> <p>9/27/25 at 5:42 AM 17 minutes and 7 seconds.</p> <p>9/27/25 at 6:38 PM 18 minutes and 51 seconds.</p> <p>9/28/25 at 6:24 AM 18 minutes and 23 seconds.</p> <p>9/28/25 at 6:28 PM 21 minutes and 15 seconds.</p> <p>9/29/25 at 5:41 AM 17 minutes and 30 seconds.</p> <p>9/30/25 at 4:20 AM 18 minutes and 44 seconds.</p> <p>9/30/25 at 8:29 AM 18 minutes and 42 seconds.</p> <p>d. room [ROOM NUMBER] had call lights with a response time of longer than 15 minutes from 9/24/25 - 10/1/25 on:</p> <p>9/30/25 at 1:38 PM 22 minutes and 22 seconds.</p> <p>10/1/25 at 4:50 AM 24 minutes and 34 seconds.</p> <p>On 10/2/25 at 1:45 PM the DON stated the facility's expectation was that call lights would be responded to in less than 15 minutes.</p> <p>On 10/2/25 at 2:00 PM the Administrator stated she expected the call lights would be responded to in less than 15 minutes. The Administrator acknowledged on the Alarm Response Report there were several call light times that were reported longer than 15 minutes.</p> <p>Review of policy dated 10/31/24 titled, Call Light Response documented the objective was to ensure timely and efficient response to resident call lights, enhancing resident safety and satisfaction. Staff members were required to respond to resident call lights within 15 minutes of activation. Call light response data would be recorded and stored for a period of 7 days. This data would be reviewed regularly to identify patterns, improve response times and address any issues related to call light usage.</p>