

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

OMB NO. 0938-0391

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTIONS		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:		(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING B. WING		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 01/26/2022	
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER SUGAR GROVE SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 5865 SUGAR LN, PLAINFIELD, , 46168					
(X4) ID PREFIX TAG	SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES...	ID PREFIX TAG	PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION...			(X5) COMPLETION DATE	
R 0000	INITIAL COMMENTS This visit was for the Investigation of Complaints IN00371573 and IN00371581. This visit included a Residential COVID-19 Quality Assurance Walk-Through. Complaint IN0000371573-Substantiated. State Residential Findings are cited at R0036, and R0407. Complaint IN0000371581-Substantiated. State Residential Findings are cited at R0036, R0154, and R0407. Survey dates: January 25 and 26, 2022 Facility number: 012394 Residential Census: 108 These State Residential Findings are cited in accordance with 410 IAC 16.2-5. Quality review was completed on Febraury 4, 2022.	R 0000					

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R 0036	Residents' Rights- Deficiency 410 IAC 16.2-5-1.2(k)(1-2) (k) The facility must immediately consult the resident ' s physician and the resident ' s legal representative when the facility has noticed: (1) a significant decline in the resident ' s physical, mental, or psychosocial status; or (2) a need to alter treatment significantly, that is, a need to discontinue an existing form of treatment due to adverse consequences or to commence a new form of treatment. Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to inform families of residents' change in condition for 2 of 6 residents reviewed for notification (Resident C and D) and the facility failed to notify resident families and representatives of positive COVID-19 cases in the facility for 1 of 2 months reviewed for notification of COVID-19. Findings include: 1. During an interview, on 1/25/22 at 1:50 p.m., Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) 6 indicated from Monday to Wednesday there had been 12 residents throughout the building including the memory	R 0036	Preparation and submission of this statement of correction does not constitute an admission or agreement by the provider of the truth of the facts alleged or of the correctness of the conclusion stated on the statement of deficiencies. This statement of correction is prepared and submitted solely because of requirements under state and federal laws. We cordially request a desk review regarding the alleged deficiencies in lieu of any revisit. 1. Residents and families are now being notified of COVID status in the building and families and MDs are now being notified of condition changes with residents as changes of condition occur. 2. An audit of COVID notifications to residents and families over the past two months will be completed. Also, an audit of 100% of residents will be conducted to determine if there have been recent condition changes and if notification was made to MD and family. Notifications as appropriate will be made in accordance with the audit findings. These audits will be	02/25/2022
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Executive Director/Designee, in collaboration with Director of Nursing/Designee will review audits with QA Committee monthly x3 months for identified issues. QA Committee will determine if audits necessitate extension past 3 months and will continue to review audit results monthly for duration of the extended timeframe as applicable.

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Resident C's record lacked documentation of nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea, and lacked documentation of notification to the physician or family for these symptoms.

b. During an interview, on 1/26/22 at 11:40 a.m., the family of Resident D indicated when they came to visit 1/21/22 and

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they found out during the visit Resident D had a "stomach bug" by observing the resident having diarrhea and then asking the nursing staff about her symptoms. No one contacted the family.

On 1/26/22 at 3:06 p.m. Resident D's record was reviewed. An admission evaluation and assessment indicated the resident was able to propel self in a wheelchair, able to state her name and was oriented to person and place.

A Nurses' note, dated 1/22/22 at 10:30 a.m., indicated Resident D' family was at the bedside and the resident did not complain of diarrhea during the shift.

The record lacked documentation of the resident's gastric symptoms on 1/21/22 and lacked documentation of notification of the family or physician.

The Medication Administration Record, for January 2022, indicated Resident D received one dose of Imodium on 1/21/22 which was originally ordered for an as needed medication on 5/28/20.

During an interview, on 1/26/22 at 12:55 p.m., LPN 8 indicated she worked on the dementia unit regularly. There were several residents that had had gastric symptoms of vomiting

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On 1/26/22 at 2:34 p.m., the Regional Nurse provided the current undated policy titled, "Significant Condition Change & Notification." The policy indicated, "...ensure that the resident's family and/or representative and medical practitioner are notified of resident changes such as those listed below...emesis/diarrhea...mobility changes ...symptoms of an infectious process...other abnormal assessment findings...when any of the above situations exists, the licensed nurse will contact the resident's representative and their medical practitioner...."

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2. During an interview, on 1/25/22 at 1:50 p.m., Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) 6 and Qualified Medication Aide (QMA) 5 indicated they were unaware if families and residents were notified of COVID-19 cases in the building. There was a sign in the lobby near the reception desk that indicated how many residents and staff were positive.

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previous ED to families regarding COVID-19 in the facility. There were emails shown as sent weekly in December. There were no emails sent starting 1/1/22. The interim ED indicated he would get that corrected as soon as possible and would find a way to ensure during the transitions in management the communications did not stop.

The interim Executive Director provided the current COVID-19 policy, updated on 1/16/22, titled, "Action Plan-COVID-19." The policy indicated, "...COMMUNITY GUIDANCE WHEN COVID-19 IS NEWLY DISCOVERED ...E. the following guidance FOR NOTIFICATION is applicable if there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 as described above:

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R 0154	Sanitation and Safety Standards - Deficiency 410 IAC 16.2-5-1.5(k) (k) The facility shall keep all kitchens, kitchen areas, common dining areas, equipment, and utensils clean, free from litter and rubbish, and maintained in good repair in accordance with 410 IAC 7-24. Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure kitchen supplies were stored off the floor and, in a manner, to avoid possible contamination for 2 of 2 days of observation. Findings include: On 1/25/22 at 1:37 p.m., the Assistant Kitchen Manager indicated they had an empty apartment as a storage room previously, but it had been rented out so now extra supplies were kept throughout the kitchen and in the hallway. This was not working out since	R 0154	Preparation and submission of this statement of correction does not constitute an admission or agreement by the provider of the truth of the facts alleged or of the correctness of the conclusion stated on the statement of deficiencies. This statement of correction is prepared and submitted solely because of requirements under state and federal laws. We cordially request a desk review regarding the alleged deficiencies in lieu of any revisit. 1. All kitchen supplies, including overstock in service hallway, have been stored off floor on either shelves or pallets to avoid possible contamination.	02/25/2022

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people keep getting into the boxes and paper products were stored in boxes on floor.

On 1/25/22 at 2:10 p.m., 2:50 p.m., and on 1/26/22 at 12:42 p.m., the following kitchen supplies were observed stored in boxes on the floor in the access hallway between the kitchen and the locked memory care unit:

Disposable plastic containers - 4 boxes

Disposable plastic lids - 1 box

Foam-hinged lid containers - 6 boxes

Trash-can liners- 1 box

Fungicide- 1 box

Acid cleaner -1 box

Blaze machine detergent -2 boxes

Plastic divider plates- 1 box

Dinner napkins- 1 box

Insulated Styrofoam cups -3 boxes

Disposable griddle polish pads- 2 boxes

Large roll plastic wrap- 1 box

Vinyl leaning gloves- 2 boxes

1. All residents are at risk of alleged deficient practice.

1. Maintenance Director and Housekeeping Supervisor were immediately notified that supplies needed to be stored off floors. Staff education regarding storing stock/supplies off floor is scheduled for 2/21/22.

1. Maintenance Director/designee will conduct rounds of entire facility 3 times weekly for 3 months to ensure all stock/supplies are stored off floors.

1. [Executive Director/Designee, in collaboration with Maintenance Director/Designee will review audits with QA Committee monthly x3 months for identified issues. QA Committee will](#)

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Citrus scented degreaser -1 box

During an interview, on 1/25/22 at 3:15 p.m., Resident E's family indicated the hall behind the kitchen, on the way back to the memory care unit, was filled with boxes on top of boxes. In order to get to the memory care unit, everyone had to walk past the stacked boxes. She was concerned it violated the fire codes and it was very unpleasant to have to walk back through there to visit Resident E.

On 1/26/22 at 2:27 p.m., the interim Executive Director (ED) indicated there was no policy for kitchen supply storage. The facility followed the Serve Safe and the Indiana Residential kitchen regulations. Kitchen supplies should be kept 6 inches off floor and 12 inches from the ceiling.

This State Residential Finding relates to Complaint IN00371581.

Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure kitchen supplies were stored off the floor and, in a manner, to avoid possible contamination for 2 of 2 days of observation.

Findings include:

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[determine if audits necessitate extension past 3 months and will continue to review audit results monthly for duration of the extended timeframe as applicable.](#)

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R 0407	Infection Control - Noncompliance 410 IAC 16.2-5-12(b)(1-4)	R 0407	1. Preparation and submission of this statement of correction does not constitute an	02/25/2022

(b) The facility must establish an infection control program that includes the following:

(1) A system that enables the facility to analyze patterns of known infectious symptoms.

(2) Provides orientation and in-service education on infection prevention and control, including universal precautions.

(3) Offering health information to residents, including, but not limited to, infection transmission and immunizations.

(4) Reporting communicable disease to public health authorities.

Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure infection control practices for COVID-19 were implemented to prevent and contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus by ensuring staff wore eye protection while providing resident care for 2 of 2 days of infection control observation, and the facility failed to report positive COVID-19 employees and residents to the Indiana Department of Health for 22 of 23 residents positive for COVID-19 and 3 of 5 COVID-19 positive employees. (Resident L)

Findings include:

1. During a tour of the assisted living units, on 1/25/22 at 1:45

admission or agreement by the provider of the truth of the facts alleged or of the correctness of the conclusion stated on the statement of deficiencies. This statement of correction is prepared and submitted solely because of requirements under state and federal laws. We cordially request a desk review regarding the alleged deficiencies in lieu of any revisit.

1. While any COVID cases in the community, eye protection and N95 mask to be worn by all direct care givers regardless resident COVID status. Point of Care COVID results will be reported through RedCap within 24 hours of testing.

2. All residents have the potential to be affected by the deficient practice. When COVID is present in the community, all direct care staff will be educated to wear eye protection, as well as N95 masks, at all times while delivering care regardless of residents' COVID status. Additional employees will be trained to enter Point of Care testing results into

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p.m., there were transmission based precaution (TBP) signs and personal protective equipment (PPE) outside the closed resident apartment doors for Residents M, H, J, L, F, G, and C. Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) 6 and Qualified Medication Aide (QMA) 5 were observed on medication carts and assisting, within 6 feet, 2 unidentified residents without eye protection.

During an interview, on 1/25/22 at 1:50 p.m., Licensed Practical Nurse 6 indicated Residents F, G, H, J, K, and L were COVID-19 positive and residing in the facility.

During a tour of the locked memory care unit, on 1/25/22 at 2:10 p.m., there were 12 unidentified residents in the lounge in armchairs watching a movie. None of the residents had on masks nor were the residents socially distanced. Qualified Medication Aide (QMA) 2, Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) 3, QMA 12, and 1 unidentified employee were observed in the dining area and lounge area around the residents with only surgical masks on.

On 1/25/22 at 2:30 p.m., the Hospice Chaplain was observed to walk through the lounge and talk with 4 unidentified residents within less than 6 feet with only

RedCap so that there will be no future gaps in reporting.

3. If/when COVID cases recur in the community, walking rounds will be done daily to ensure that direct care staff are wearing eye protection and N95 masks for all cares or interactions with residents within 6 feet. The DON/designee will audit weekly for 4 weeks to ensure that RedCap reporting is being completed within 24 hours of point of care COVID testing.

4. Systemic Changes for the PPE deficient practice were completed on January 28th. Systemic Changes for the RedCap reporting deficient practice will be completed by February 25th.

5. Executive Director/Designee, in collaboration with Director of Nursing/Designee will review audits with QA Committee monthly

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a surgical mask on.

On 1/25/22 at 2:17 p.m., Housekeeper 10 was observed cleaning rooms on the locked memory care unit. She wore a surgical mask only. She indicated she was the housekeeper for the locked memory care unit and then assisted on the 300 hallway on Fridays. She was observed assisting an unidentified resident to her room within 6 feet of the resident with only a surgical mask on.

On 1/26/22 at 12:35 p.m., QMA 5 exited a resident's room on the 100 hallway without eye protection on holding a box of unidentified medication. The resident was not on transmission based precaution.

During multiple observations of the assisted living unit, on 1/26/22, no staff wore eye protection around residents in hallways or common areas.

On 1/26/22 from 12:42 p.m. to 1:10 p.m., staff observed on the locked memory care unit did not wear eye protection in common areas around residents or when assisting residents in their rooms.

On 1/26/22 at 12:48 p.m., Resident D's chair alarm sounded in her room. CNA 9 entered the room at 12:49 p.m. to assist the resident wearing

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Committee will determine if audits necessitate extension past 3 months and will continue to review audit results monthly for duration of the extended timeframe as applicable.

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2. On 1/26/22 at 2:05 p.m., the Director of Nursing (DON) provided a list from the Indiana Department of Health COVID-19 reporting system of all staff and residents reported as tested for COVID-19 by the facility's antigen tests from 9/24/21 to 1/26/22 with their results of positive or negative. The list stopped on 12/23/21 and then restarted on 1/12/22. On 1/12/22, there were 2 positive

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On 1/26/22, the Assistant Director of Nursing and the Clinical Scheduler provided the list of COVID-19 positive residents and staff as of 1/25/22. The list contained 28 names with the first positive case on the list dated 12/30/21. There were 5 employees listed as positive for COVID-19 and 23 residents listed as positive for COVID-19 from 12/30/21 to 1/25/22.

During an interview, on 1/26/22 at 2:05 p.m., the DON indicated due to management staff being out with COVID-19 there had been no one available with access to the reporting system to report positives which caused gaps in the reporting. The DON was unaware of any reporting system besides the system they reported the antigen testing results.

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facilities that had a positive COVID-19 POC test for staff or residents had to report to the Long-term Care COVID-19 reporting form and the COVID-19 POC test reporting within 24 hours of the result.

This State Residential Finding relates to Complaints IN00371573 and IN00371581.

Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure infection control practices for COVID-19 were implemented to prevent and contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus by ensuring staff wore eye protection while providing resident care for 2 of 2 days of infection control observation, and the facility failed to report positive COVID-19 employees and residents to the Indiana Department of Health for 22 of 23 residents positive for COVID-19 and 3 of 5 COVID-19 positive employees. (Resident L)

Findings include:

1. During a tour of the assisted living units, on 1/25/22 at 1:45 p.m., there were transmission based precaution (TBP) signs and personal protective equipment (PPE) outside the closed resident apartment doors for Residents M, H, J, L, F, G, and C. Licensed Practical Nurse

(LPN) 6 and Qualified Medication Aide (QMA) 5 were observed on medication carts and assisting, within 6 feet, 2 unidentified residents without eye protection.

During an interview, on 1/25/22 at 1:50 p.m., Licensed Practical Nurse 6 indicated Residents F, G, H, J, K, and L were COVID-19 positive and residing in the facility.

During a tour of the locked memory care unit, on 1/25/22 at 2:10 p.m., there were 12 unidentified residents in the lounge in armchairs watching a movie. None of the residents had on masks nor were the residents socially distanced. Qualified Medication Aide (QMA) 2, Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) 3, QMA 12, and 1 unidentified employee were observed in the dining area and lounge area around the residents with only surgical masks on.

On 1/25/22 at 2:30 p.m., the Hospice Chaplain was observed to walk through the lounge and talk with 4 unidentified residents within less than 6 feet with only a surgical mask on.

On 1/25/22 at 2:17 p.m., Housekeeper 10 was observed cleaning rooms on the locked memory care unit. She wore a surgical mask only. She

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indicated she was the housekeeper for the locked memory care unit and then assisted on the 300 hallway on Fridays. She was observed assisting an unidentified resident to her room within 6 feet of the resident with only a surgical mask on.

On 1/26/22 at 12:35 p.m., QMA 5 exited a resident's room on the 100 hallway without eye protection on holding a box of unidentified medication. The resident was not on transmission based precaution.

During multiple observations of the assisted living unit, on 1/26/22, no staff wore eye protection around residents in hallways or common areas.

On 1/26/22 from 12:42 p.m. to 1:10 p.m., staff observed on the locked memory care unit did not wear eye protection in common areas around residents or when assisting residents in their rooms.

On 1/26/22 at 12:48 p.m., Resident D's chair alarm sounded in her room. CNA 9 entered the room at 12:49 p.m. to assist the resident wearing only a surgical mask.

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