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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTIONS		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:		(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING B. WING		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/15/2024	
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER CEDARHURST OF EDISON LAKES		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1025 PARK PLACE, MISHAWAKA, , 46545					
(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 Complaint IN00434184. Complaint IN00434184 - State deficiencies related to the allegations are cited at R0090, R0243 and R0246. Survey date: May 13, 14 & 15, 2024 Facility number: 013331 Residential Census: 78 These State Residential Findings are cited in accordance with 410 IAC 16.2-5. Quality Review completed on 5/20/2024	R 0000	<i>Submission of this response and Plan of Correction is NOT a legal admission that a deficiency exists or, that this Statement of Deficiencies was correctly cited, and is also NOT to be construed as an admission against interest by the residence, or any employees, agents, or other individuals who drafted or may be discussed in the response or Plan of Correction. In addition, preparation and submission of this Plan of Correction does NOT constitute an admission or agreement of any kind by the facility of the truth of any facts alleged or the correctness of any conclusions set forth in this allegation by the survey agency.</i>				
R 0090	Administration and Management - Deficiency 410 IAC 16.2-5-1.3(g)(1-6) (g) The administrator is responsible	R 0090	The Executive Director (ED) and Director of Nursing (DON) completed re-education on 05/14/2024 and again 5/28/24 regarding Cedarhurst			06/14/2024	

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for the overall management of the facility. The responsibilities of the administrator shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Informing the division within twenty-four (24) hours of becoming aware of an unusual occurrence that directly threatens the welfare, safety, or health of a resident. Notice of unusual occurrence may be made by telephone, followed by a written report, or by a written report only that is faxed or sent by electronic mail to the division within the twenty-four (24) hour time period. Unusual occurrences include, but are not limited to:

(A) epidemic outbreaks;

(B) poisonings;

(C) fires; or

(D) major accidents.

If the division cannot be reached, a call shall be made to the emergency telephone number published by the division.

(2) Promptly arranging for or assisting with the provision of medical, dental, podiatry, or nursing care or other health care services as requested by the resident or resident's legal representative.

(3) Obtaining director approval prior to the admission of an individual under eighteen (18) years of age to an adult facility.

(4) Ensuring the facility maintains, on the premises, an accurate record of actual time worked that

communication expectation policy and procedures and Indiana State Department of Health long term care abuse and incident reporting policy. All staff

re-educated on communication expectation policy and procedures to be completed by 6/14/24 that include any event or suspected event that occurs in the community will be reported to the ED and DON immediately so an investigation can be completed as per Cedarhurst policy and State regulations.

All residents had the potential to be affected by this deficient practice. DON and ED will review any alleged, suspected, or actual unusual events on our daily connect. DON and ED will follow Cedarhurst communication expectation policy and IDOH policy for incident reporting.

Monitoring will be on-going.

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indicates the:

(A) employee's full name; and

(B) dates and hours worked during the past twelve (12) months.

(5) Posting the results of the most recent annual survey of the facility conducted by state surveyors, any plan of correction in effect with respect to the facility, and any subsequent surveys. The results must be available for examination in the facility in a place readily accessible to residents and a notice posted of their availability.

(6) Maintaining reports of surveys conducted by the division in each facility for a period of two (2) years and making the reports available for inspection to any member of the public upon request

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(Resident B)

Finding includes:

On 5/13/24 at 1:37 P.M., the clinical record for Resident B was reviewed. Diagnoses included, but were not limited to: included hypertension and arthritis. Resident B also received Hospice services for diagnoses of heart failure and heart block.

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- Morphine 20 mg/ml, to give 0.25 ml by mouth every 2 hours and every 2 hours as needed, dated 5/2/24.

Resident B's Medication Administration record from 4/25/24 to 5/2/24 indicated the resident was administered morphine on the following dates and times:

4/25/24 at 9:43 P.M.

5/1/24 at 8:00 P.M.

5/1/24 at 12:09 A.M.

5/2/24 at 8:00 A.M.

5/2/24 at 12:00 P.M.

A Nursing Progress Notes for Resident B, indicated morphine was administered on 5/2/24 at 12:00 P.M. per Hospice instructions.

Resident B's "CONTROLLED

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DRUG REPORT
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left in the cart at the end of each
shift) was documented as
follows:

4/24/24 at 2:30 P.M., 30 ml of
morphine sulfate solution 100/5
ml, was received.

4/24/24 at 3:22 (does not
document A.M. or P.M.),
Employee (E) 8 signed out 0.25
ml as given with 29.75 ml
remaining

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document A.M. or P.M.), E10
signed out 0.25 ml as given with
29.50 ml remaining

4/25/24 at 10:57 A.M., E5
signed out 0.25 ml as given with
29.25 ml remaining

4/25/24 at 9:30 P.M., E2 signed
out 0.25 ml as given with 29.00
ml remaining

4/27/24 at 9:30 P.M., E2 signed
out 0.25 ml as given with 28.75
ml remaining

4/28/24 at 9:30 P.M., E2 signed
out 0.25 ml as given with 28.50
ml remaining

5/1/24 at 12:00 A.M., E9 signed
out 0.25 ml as given with 28.25

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5/1/24 at 9:00 P.M., E5 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 28.00 ml remaining

5/2/24 at 8:00 A.M. E2 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 24.00 ml remaining

5/2/24 No time documented, count corrected signed by Interim Director of Nursing

5/2/24 at 12:00 P.M., E3 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 23.75 ml remaining

5/2/24 at 2:35 P.M., E6 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 23.50 ml remaining

5/2/24 at 3:40 P.M. E6 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 23.25 ml remaining

5/2/24 at 5:20 P.M. E6 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 23.00 ml remaining

5/2/24, Disposition of Remaining Doses, Doses flushed Quantity: 23 ml signed by E11 and Hospice Nurse.

During an interview on 5/14/24 at 1:15 P.M. with Employee 2 he indicated on 5/1/24 at 8:00 A.M., as he was going off night shift, he counted narcotics with E6 ,who was the on-coming day shift nurse. He indicated Resident B's morphine amount was "off." He indicated he

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notified the Interim Director on Nursing there were 4 ml of morphine solution unaccounted for, so she came to the facility to look into it. Employee 2 indicated he went home before the Interim Director of Nursing arrived to the facility and he gave E6 the medication cart keys.

During an interview, on 5/14/24 at 1:41 P.M. E3 indicated E2 and E6 counted Resident B's narcotics on 5/2/24 at 8:00 A.M., and E6 notified her the morphine count was "off" for Resident B. E3 indicated she notified the Interim Director of Nursing the morphine count was not correct, but did not notify the Administrator.

During an interview, on 5/14/24 at 9:45 A.M. the Administrator indicated she was not notified and was not aware of the concern with Resident B's morphine count or any medication was unaccounted for until 5/14/24 at 9:45 A.M. The Administrator indicated none of the staff notified her the morphine count for Resident B was not correct on 5/1/24. She indicated if she would have known there was morphine unaccounted for in the facility, she would have started an immediate investigation, and if necessary, would have reported the incident to the State Agency per the facility's policy for an

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unusual occurrence.

During an interview, on 5/15/24 at 9:55 A.M. with the Interim Director of Nursing she indicated she was notified on 5/2/24 in the morning that Resident B's morphine count sheet was incorrect. She reviewed the Controlled Drug Reference Record/Disposition Form and noted on 5/2/24 at 8:00 A.M., the amount of remaining morphine was incorrect with 4 ml of morphine unaccounted for on the form.. When she looked back through the notes and report record/ disposition form, she figured the resident was "probably" receiving the morphine every 4 hours and it was not being recorded (on the Controlled Drug Reference Record/Disposition Form) every time it was administered. She also indicated she had to account for "possible spillage" and so the count of 24 ml remaining in the bottle was "likely" correct. The Interim Director of Nursing indicated she did not suspect any diversion and did not notify the Administrator because she felt she had accounted for all the doses since not all administrations were documented.

On 5/15/24 at 1:20 P.M., a policy titled, "Communication Expectations Policy &

Procedures," dated 7/23, was provided by the Administration who indicate it was the facility's current policy. The policy indicated,"...[The facility] must be notified of unusual occurrences that affect the operations of a community in a timely manner. When an unusual event occurs at the community, all staff members, including department heads must report the occurrence to the appropriate department head...Unusual happening or high-risk event...missing narcotics...[report to Administrator and Director of Nursing]..."

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5/1/24 at 12:00 A.M., E9 signed out 0.25 ml as given with 28.25 ml remaining

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	policy titled, "Communication Expectations Policy & Procedures," dated 7/23, was provided by the Administration who indicate it was the facility's current policy. The policy indicated,"...[The facility] must be notified of unusual occurrences that affect the operations of a community in a timely manner. When an unusual event occurs at the community, all staff members, including department heads must report the occurrence to the appropriate department head...Unusual happening or high-risk event...missing narcotics...[report to Administrator and Director of Nursing]..." This citation relates to Complaint IN00434184			
R 0243	Health Services - Deficiency 410 IAC 16.2-5-4(e)(3) (3) The individual administering the medication shall document the administration in the individual ' s medication and treatment records that indicate the: (A) time; (B) name of medication or treatment; (C) dosage (if applicable); and (D) name or initials of the person administering the drug or	R 0243	Nursing staff will document all medication administration in the medical record, including time of administration, reason for administration, and the follow up regarding the effectiveness of the medication administration. Nursing staff will administer only medications they have prepared per policy. All residents had the potential to be affected by this deficient practice. An audit scheduled on	06/14/2024

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treatment.

Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure medication administrations for PRN (as needed) medications were documented accurately and consistently in the Electronic Medication Record (EMR). The facility also failed to ensure PRN medication was prepared and administered by the same nurse, for 1 of 3 residents reviewed for PRN medication administration. (Resident B).

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5/29/24 of resident medication administration records to verify all medications are being documented as ordered. All medication passers in-service on 5/17/24 of medication administration documentation expectation and policy, including QMA scope of practice. Clinical staff will pass medications per policy, immediately.

The DON/designee and ED/designee will review the medication administration record weekly to ensure medication administration documentation is completed per policy. All medication passers were re-educated on medication administration processes on 5/17/24. All medication passers will complete medication administration competency check off by 6/14/24. Monthly medication administration in-services will be conducted to review policies and procedures of medication administration and expectations. New hires will complete medication administration competency check off with DON/designee and complete training for acceptable medication administration practices before passing any medications at this community.

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4/24/24 at 10:57 A.M.

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During an interview with Employee 2 on 5/14/24 at 1:15 P.M., he indicated on 5/1/24, Employee 4 had prepared Resident B's morphine dosage

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On 5/14/24 at 10:53 A.M., a policy titled, "Medication Administration Policy & Procedures," dated 2/24/22,

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R 0246	Health Services - Deficiency 410 IAC 16.2-5-4(e)(6) (6) PRN medications may be administered by a qualified medication aide (QMA) only upon authorization by a licensed nurse or physician. The QMA must receive appropriate authorization for each administration of a PRN medication. All contacts with a nurse or physician not on the premises for authorization to administer PRNs shall be documented in the nursing notes indicating the time and date of the contact. Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to ensure PRN (as needed) medications administered by a QMA (Qualified Medication Aide) were signed off by a licensed nurse for 1 of 3 residents reviewed for PRN medication administration. (Resident B). Finding includes: On 5/13/24 at 1:37 P.M., the clinical record for Resident B was reviewed. Diagnoses included hypertension and arthritis.	R 0246	The facility will ensure PRN (as needed) medications administered by QMA (Qualified Medication Aide) are reviewed, approved, and delegated by a by a licensed nurse before administration. All residents had the potential to be affected by this deficient practice. A chart audit scheduled on 5/30/24 to verify that PRN medications administered by a QMA have been reviewed, approved, and delegated by a licensed nurse before administration. Any PRN's found to have missing approvals were flagged for the DON to review for staff noncompliance and what further education and disciplinary counseling up to an including termination is warranted. The DON/designee and ED/designee will review the medication administration record routinely to ensure medication administration documentation is completed per policy. All medication passers	06/14/2024

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Physician's Orders included the following:

- Morphine Sulfate Solution 100 mg per 5 ml (100/5 ml), to take 0.25 ml by mouth every 4 hours as needed, dated 4/45/24.

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Resident B's Medication Administration records from 4/25/24 to 5/2/24, indicated the resident was administered morphine on the following dates and times by QMAs, and lacked documentation of any notification to a Licensed nurse and authorization to administer the PRN medication:

were re-educated on medication administration processes on 5/17/24. All medication passers will complete medication administration competency check off by 6/14/24. The Regional Director of Nursing added a prompt in our EMAR system to read, "what nurse approved PRN", requiring any QMA to document the approval by a licensed nurse before administering a PRN. Monthly medication administration in-services will be conducted to review policies and procedures of medication administration and expectations. New hires will complete medication administration competency check off with DON/designee and complete training for acceptable medication administration practices before passing any medications at this community.

The Executive Director is responsible for sustained compliance. The ED/designee will complete audits by reviewing EMAR report administration records weekly at ROAR meeting for 4 weeks, then monthly for 3 months to ensure PRN medications that are administered by QMA are reviewed, approved, and delegated by a

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licensed nurse prior to administration. The audit will be discussed monthly with regional 1:1 meeting. The Regional Director will determine if continued auditing is necessary based on 3 consecutive months of compliance. Monitoring will be on-going.

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Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting provided it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.)

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