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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 08/27/2025	
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER HELLENIC SENIOR LIVING OF ELKHART		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 2528 BYPASS ROAD, ELKHART, , 46514					
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The current facility document, titled "Documentation Cheat Sheet", indicated, "...Fall: Complete progress note, incident report and incident log (falls with injury MUST be called in to DON and ED. DON needs to be notified via text on all falls..."

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