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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 08/31/2021
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER LAKE MEADOWS SENIOR ASSISTED LIVING		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 11570 E 126TH STREET, FISHERS, , 46037			
(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 IN00360754 and Residential COVID-19 Quality Assurance Walk Through. Complaint IN00360754 - Substantiated. State Residential Findings are cited at R407. Survey Date: August 31, 2021 Facility Number: 014910 Residential: 85 These State Residential Findings are cited in accordance with 410 IAC 16.2-5. Quality review completed on September 8, 2021	R 0000	Please accept the attached plan of correction as credible allegation of compliance to the deficiency cited during the Investigation of Complaint conducted on August 31, 2021. Hopefully, you will find the remedies are sufficient, thoroughly explained, and able to provide a clear picture of how we corrected the concern. I would like to formally request your consideration for granting this community paper compliance.		
R 0407	Infection Control - Noncompliance 410 IAC 16.2-5-12(b)(1-4) (b) The facility must establish an infection control program that includes the following:	R 0407	It is the policy of Priority Life Care to establish and implement an effective & compliant infection control program. The deficient practice was corrected immediately upon identification.	10/15/2021	

- (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, interview, and record review, the facility failed to assess and screen residents for symptoms of Covid-19, and ensure unvaccinated staff wore eye protection within 6 feet of residents to prevent and/or contain the spread of COVID-19. This affected 85 of 85 residents in the facility.

Findings include:

- 1. The clinical record for Resident B was reviewed on 8/31/21 at 12:44 p.m. The diagnoses included, but were not limited to: dementia, schizoaffective disorder of bipolar type, anxiety, and major depressive disorder.
- 2. The clinical record for Resident C was reviewed on 8/31/21 at 1:20 p.m. The diagnoses included, but were

All residents had the potential to be affected by the deficient practice. As a preventive measure, all staff will be re-educated on screening residents and PPE utilization by 10/15/2021. The DON, or her designee, will audit clinical records and spot check staff utilization of PPE daily for 7 days, weekly for 4 weeks and as needed thereafter to ensure compliance. Any concerns will be documented and presented to the Quality Assurance Committee for resolution.

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not limited to, dementia.

3. The clinical record for Resident D was reviewed on 8/31/21 at 1:22 p.m. The diagnoses included, but were not limited to, dementia.

A list of residents with their current Covid-19 vaccination status was provided by the DON (Director of Nursing) on 8/31/21 at 12:35 p.m. The list indicated Resident B was unvaccinated, residing on an assisted living unit in the facility. Residents C and D were both fully vaccinated and resided on the locked memory care unit of the facility.

There were no current orders, progress notes, or other information in Resident B's, Resident C's, or Resident D's clinical records indicating daily assessment for symptoms of Covid-19.

An interview was conducted with the DON on 8/31/21 at 11:30 a.m. She indicated nursing monitored for changes in condition, which would include symptoms of Covid-19, but were not documenting an assessment of Covid-19 symptoms for residents.

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shift, 5 days weekly, since 8/2/21. She relied on the CNAs (Certified Nursing Assistants) to inform her if any of the residents were having symptoms of Covid-19, and stated, "I'm not going through and assessing any residents."

An interview was conducted with QMA (Qualified Medication Aide) 3 on 8/31/21 at 1:52 p.m. She was working on the locked memory care unit of the facility. She indicated she was not screening any of the residents for symptoms of Covid-19. They used to take temperatures, ask about symptoms, and document it, but they stopped doing that "about a month and a half ago."

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screening by phone is acceptable, but screen at least once a week in person."

4. An observation and interview was conducted with LPN (Licensed Practical Nurse) 2 on 8/31/21 at 1:40 p.m. in the hallway of the facility near the elevator. She was wearing a surgical mask and prescription eye glasses, but no eye protection. A resident walked in front of her during the interview and she verbally redirected him to the lobby area. She indicated she'd worked at the facility on day shift, 5 days weekly, since 8/2/21. She was responsible for medication administration to residents in the entire building, and had "just finished doing med [medication] pass." She received her second dose of the Covid-19 vaccination on Sunday, 8/29/21, and hadn't been wearing any sort of eye protection in the facility since she began working there.

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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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SIGNATURE

TITLE

(X6) DATE