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F 0000  Bldg. 00	<p>This visit was for the Investigation of Complaint IN00429836.</p> <p>Complaint IN00429836 - Federal/state deficiencies related to the allegations are cited at F609.</p> <p>Survey dates: March 15, 2024</p> <p>Facility number: 000078 Provider number: 155158 AIM number: 100289310</p> <p>Census Bed Type: SNF/NF: 59 Total: 59</p> <p>Census Payor Type: Medicare: 8 Medicaid: 44 Other: 7 Total: 59</p> <p>This deficiency reflects State Findings cited in accordance with 410 IAC 16.2-3.1.</p> <p>Quality review completed on 3/21/24.</p>			F 0000	<p>The facility requests that this plan of correction be considered its credible allegations of compliance. Submission of this response and Plan of Correction is not a legal admission that a deficiency exists or that this statement of deficiency was correctly cited and is also not to be construed as an admission of interest against the facility, the Administrator, or any employee, agents, or other individuals who draft or may be discussed in the response and Plan of Correction. In addition, preparation and submission of the 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 corrections of a conclusion set forth in this allegation by the survey agency. Accordingly, the facility has prepared and submitted this Plan of Correction prior to the resolution of Appeal of this matter solely because of the requirements under State and Federal law that mandates submission of the Plan of Corrections a condition to participate in the Title 18 and Title 19 programs. The submission of Plan of Correction within this timeframe should in no way be of non-compliance or admission by</p>		

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE

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Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (\*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (see instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 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 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>Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure an allegation of abuse was reported to the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH), for 1 of 3 residents reviewed for abuse. (Resident B)</p> <p>Finding includes:</p> <p>The record for Resident B was reviewed on 3/15/24 at 9:15 a.m. Diagnoses included, but were not limited to, hypertension and type 2 diabetes mellitus.</p> <p>The Admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment, dated 1/24/24, indicated the resident was cognitively intact.</p> <p>A written summary of an interview between Resident B and Social Services (SS), dated 2/22/24 at 2:30 p.m., indicated Resident B had reported that during night shift at 5 a.m., the resident had woken up with a CNA stripping her clothes off and then sitting her in her wheelchair, saying, "you're going to be punished." The resident indicated she felt the CNA had said that maybe because she had put her call light on a lot that night due to being in pain. Resident B had asked the CNA what her name was, and the CNA told her she didn't have a name. The CNA had continued to dress her and placed her in the empty dining room for three hours.</p> <p>During an interview with SS, on 3/15/24 at 10:24 a.m., she indicated she had spoken with Resident B on 2/22/24 during her rounds and had asked the resident how her care was. That was when the resident had reported her concerns with the CNA taking her clothes off and leaving her in the dining room. She had made the former Interim DON aware, but had not reported the allegations</p>				<p><b>be accomplished for those residents found to have been affected by the deficient practice?</b> Resident B had no negative outcomes from deficient practice. <b>How other residents having the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice will be identified and what corrective action(s) will be taken:</b> Other resident have the potential to be affected by the alleged deficient practice therefore, staff education completed on reporting abuse allegations by SDC/Designee by date of compliance.</p> <p><b>What measure will be put into place or what systemic changes will be made to ensure that the deficient practices does not recur:</b> ED education on the deficient practice on 03/22/24 was completed by the RVP. SSD education completed on 03/22/2024 By ED. Staff education will be completed by date of compliance by SDC/Designee. This education will be provided upon hire, at least annually and as needed. SDC/designee will educate monthly on reporting abuse all 3 shifts X 3 months then do staff education on reporting allegations of abuse quarterly x 6 months to ensure compliance. No employee will work past date of compliance with out this education</p>		

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	<p>directly to the Administrator, and was unsure if the Administrator had been notified. She had then interviewed the resident's roommate, who shared a different story from what Resident B alleged, and indicated no abuse had occurred. Resident B had been sent to the hospital on 2/23/24 for a change in condition. She had spoken with the resident's POA (power of attorney) on 3/1/24, who indicated the resident had made similar statements to the hospital case manager, and the hospital staff was going to have her speak with APS (Adult Protective Services). The POA indicated the resident had a history of talking "wacky" when she was in pain.</p> <p>During an interview with the Administrator, on 3/15/24 at 9:42 a.m., she indicated the marketing staff had received a phone call from the hospital case manager indicating Resident B, who was currently hospitalized, would not be returning to the facility yet because the hospital physician wanted the resident to speak with APS. The Administrator was aware of a concern the resident had voiced about being left sitting up in her wheelchair in the dining room. That concern had been investigated by SS and the former Interim DON. SS had interviewed the resident's roommate and the Resident's POA, and determined there were no concerns. Resident B's allegations had not been reported to IDOH.</p> <p>A facility policy, titled, "Abuse-Conducting an Investigation", received as current, indicated "...7. If it is determined that alleged abuse and or neglect, injury of unknown source, exploitation, or misappropriation of resident property has occurred, the Administrator, Director of Nursing, or his/her designee will promptly notify officials in accordance with the state and federal regulations..."</p>				<p>being completed. <b>How the corrective action(s) will be monitored to ensure the deficient practice will not recur:</b> SSD will interview 3 resident's weekly x 2 months, then 2 resident's weekly x 2 months, then 1 resident weekly x 2 months to ensure compliance. ED will interview 2 resident's weekly x 6 months to ensure no concerns or issues. Any issues noted will be addressed immediately. <b>Results will be presented to PI x 6 months. PI will determine the need for further audits.</b> The results of these reviews will be discussed at the monthly facility Quality Assurance Committee meeting monthly for a total of 3 months and then quarterly thereafter to ensure compliance is at 100%. Frequency and duration of reviews will be increased as needed, if compliance is below 100%. <b>Date of Compliance: 04/11/2024</b></p>		

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	<p>The Indiana Department of Health Long-Term Care Abuse and Incident Reporting Policy, updated 12/8/23, indicated abuse allegations should be reported "...Immediately: Immediately means as soon as possible, in the absence of a shorter state time frame requirement, but not later than two hours after the allegation is made, if the events that cause the allegation involve abuse or result in serious bodily injury..."</p> <p>This citation relates to Complaint IN00429836.</p> <p>3.1-28(c)</p>						