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F 0000  Bldg. 00	<p>This visit was for the Investigation of Complaints IN00448302 and IN00448692.</p> <p>Complaint IN00448302 - Federal deficiencies related to the allegations are cited at F584</p> <p>Complaint IN00448692 - Federal deficiencies related to the allegations are cited at F584.</p> <p>Survey dates: December 20, 2024</p> <p>Facility number: 003130 Provider number: 155702 AIM number: 200386750</p> <p>Census Bed Type: SNF/NF: 85 Total: 85</p> <p>Census Payor Type: Medicare: 1 Medicaid: 69 Other: 15 Total: 85</p> <p>This deficiency reflects State Findings cited in accordance with 410 IAC 16.2-3.1.</p> <p>Quality Review completed on 12/23/2024</p>			F 0000			
F 0584 SS=E Bldg. 00	<p>483.10(i)(1)-(7) Safe/Clean/Comfortable/Homelike Environment</p> <p>Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure room temperatures were at the appropriate temperatures on the Behavior Unit (BHU). This deficient</p>			F 0584	<p><b>F584</b></p> <p>The facility requests desk review for this citation.</p>		12/21/2024

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

Tammy Matthews

Administrator

01/02/2025

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 disclosed days 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>practice had the potential to affect 27 of 27 residents residing on the BHU.</p> <p>Finding includes:</p> <p>During an observation on the Behavior Unit on 12/20/2024 at 9:40 A.M., with the Maintenance Director the following ambient air temperature readings were obtained utilizing the facility's laser thermometer inside resident room, pointed at the following walls:</p> <p>Rm. 400--the inside wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 401--the inside wall temperature was 66 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 62 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 402--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 403--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 404--the inside wall temperature was 69 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 405--the inside wall temperature was 71 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 406--the inside wall temperature was 69 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 407--the inside wall temperature was 71 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 408--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>Rm. 409--the inside wall temperature was 69 degrees Fahrenheit and the outside wall</p>				<p><i>This Plan of Correction is the center's credible allegation of compliance.</i></p> <p><i>Preparation and/or execution of this plan of correction does not constitute admission or agreement by the provider of the truth of the facts alleged or conclusions set forth in the statement of deficiencies. The plan of correction is prepared and/or executed solely because it is required by the provisions of federal and state law.</i></p> <p><b>1) Immediate actions taken for those residents identified:</b></p> <p>All residents on the Behavior unit were affected. Maintenance director turned on the boiler and continued rounding until appropriate temperatures were reached. All areas reached appropriate temperatures prior to state surveyor leaving the building.</p> <p><b>2) How the facility identified other residents:</b></p> <p>All residents had the potential to be affected.</p> <p><b>3) Measures put into place/ System changes:</b></p> <p>Staff will be re-educated regarding not turning off the boiler as well the code on the door has been changed so staff do not have</p>		

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	<p>temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 410--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 411--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit. There were 2 blankets rolled up along and placed on the window ledge. The resident was observed to have blankets on his lap. Rm. 412--the inside wall temperature was 68 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 413--the inside wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 414--the inside wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 58 degrees Fahrenheit. The resident was observed wrapped in a blanket sleeping. In the common area behind the nursing station and outside of resident rooms 405, 406 and 407, the ambient air temperatures registered 70 and 71 degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>During an observation of the BAU unit, on 12/202024 at 10:57 A.M with the Maintenance Director., the following ambient air temperature readings were obtained utilizing the facility's laser thermometer inside resident rooms, pointed at the following walls Rm. 400--the inside wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit, and the outside wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 401--the inside wall temperature was 65 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 61 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 402--the inside wall temperature was 66 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall</p>				<p>access to the code and are unable to get in the boiler room and turn the boiler off.</p> <p><b>4) How the corrective actions will be monitored:</b></p> <p>The Maintenance Director or designee will complete an audit at least 2 x per week on various shifts and times to ensure temperature in the building remains between 71 to 81 degrees.</p> <p>The results of these audits will be reviewed in Quality Assurance Meeting monthly x6 months or until 100% compliance is achieved x3 consecutive months. The QA Committee will identify any trends or patterns and make recommendations to revise the plan of correction as indicated.</p>		

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	temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 403--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 68 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 404--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 405--the inside wall temperature was 70 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 66 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 406--the inside wall temperature was 68 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 66 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 407--the inside wall temperature was 69 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 408--the inside wall temperature was 69 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 409--the inside wall temperature was 67degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 410--the inside wall temperature was 66 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 64 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 411--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 412--the inside wall temperature was 65 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 61 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 413--the inside wall temperature was 66 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit. Rm. 414--the inside wall temperature was 67 degrees Fahrenheit, and the out side wall temperature was 68 degrees Fahrenheit.  During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:00 A.M.,						

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	<p>the Maintenance Director indicated that someone must had shut off one of the facility's boilers and that was the reason why the temperatures were too cool. He indicated the previous maintenance director had shown some of the nurses how to turn off the boiler He indicated the nurses would go outside the facility to the garage door, put in the code to open the garage door, go in and turn off the boiler using the toggle switch. No reason was given as to why the nursing staff would have turned off one of the boilers.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:04 A.M., QMA 2 indicated she could not control the temperature in the building as there was no thermostat. She indicated no residents had complained to her of being too cold on the unit. She indicated the residents usually wore sweaters to stay warm.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:10 A.M., the Maintenance Director indicated there were no thermostats in the facility. He indicated someone had shut the boiler off and he had turned it back on earlier in the morning. He indicated once the boiler was activated, the temperatures in the resident rooms would rise.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:18 A.M., Resident B, a resident on the BHU, indicated it was colder at night time and she used two blankets. She indicated her room was cold at times.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:37 A.M., Resident C was observed wearing the following clothing:: a t-shirt, a long sleeve flannel shirt and 2 fleece blankets folded over on his lap and extending down to his legs. Resident C indicated it got too cold in his room. He indicated he had a</p>						

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	<p>thermometer in his room and stated it was current reading 70 degrees. Resident C indicated the staff had placed towels on the window ledge because there was cold air coming in around the window blowing on him when he was in bed. He indicated the cold was "like a fan going- it was cold." Resident C indicated he used to have a room on the other side of the unit and that room was too cold too.. When asked if he had informed any of the staff about the cold air temperature, Resident C indicated "yes, the nurse especially." He indicated staff would come in his room and state " boy it's cold in here."</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:45 A.M., Resident E indicated he liked it cool and would put on extra clothes when it got too cold in his room.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:28 A.M., CNA 3 indicated since the facility had gotten the boiler fixed, it did not get very cold on the unit.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 10:20 A.M., the Maintenance Director indicated he completed temperature checks throughout the facility weekly, but had not completed the checks every week.</p> <p>The Maintenance Director provided a binder of papers titled, "Building Temperatures" that indicated the following: A building temperature log sheet, dated 10/17/2025, indicated: no temperatures were documented for rooms 400, 406, 408, 410. The air vent temperature by room 403 was documented at 68.4 degrees Fahrenheit and the air vent temperature by room 411 was documented 68.1 degrees Fahrenheit.</p>						

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	<p>A building temperature log sheet, dated 10/25/2024, indicated: there were no temperatures documented for rooms: 406, 408 and 414. The air vent temperature by room 403 was 68.6 degrees Fahrenheit and the air vent temperature by room 411 was 68.4 degrees degrees Fahrenheit.</p> <p>A building temperature log sheet, dated 11/1/2024, indicated: there were no temperatures documented for rooms: 400, 410, and 414. The air vent temperature by room 403 was blank and the air vent temperature by room 411 was 74.6 degrees Fahrenheit</p> <p>A building temperature log sheet, dated 11/8/2024, indicated: there were no temperatures documented for rooms: 400, 406, 408, and 410. The air vent temperatures by rooms 403 and 411 were blank.</p> <p>A building temperature log sheet, dated 11/15/2024, indicated: there were no temperatures documented for rooms: 406, 408, 410, and 414. The air vent temperatures by rooms 403 and 411 were blank.</p> <p>A building temperature log sheet, dated 11/20/2024, indicated: there were no temperatures documented for rooms: 400, 406, 408 and 410. The air vent temperatures by rooms 403 and 411 were blank.</p> <p>A building temperature log sheet, dated 12/10/2024, indicated: there were no temperatures documented for rooms: 406, 408, 410 and 414. The air vent temperatures by rooms 403 and 411 were blank.</p> <p>During an interview, on 12/20/2024 at 11:55 A.M., the Administrator indicated the facility had not</p>						

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	<p>been without heat and the boiler was never broken. She indicated there were some gauges that needed to be replaced on the boiler, but it was still functional.</p> <p>A policy was requested, on 12/20/2024 at 11:58 A.M., related to monitoring of resident room temperatures.</p> <p>On 12/20/2024 at 12:00 P.M., the Administrator indicated the facility had no policy regarding the monitoring of resident room temperatures.</p> <p>This citation relates to Complaints IN00448692 and IN00448302.</p> <p>3.1-19(h)</p>						