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Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

February 27, 2023

Ingrid Kausyla, Executive Director

Brandywine Living At Litchfield

19 Constitution Way

Litchfield, CT 06759

Via E-mail: ikausyla@brandycare.com

Dear Ms. Kausyla:

An unannounced visit was made to Brandywine Living At Litchfield on February 6, 2023 by a representative of the Facility Licensing and Investigations Section of the Department of Public Health for the purpose of conducting a licensure renewal inspection.

Attached are the violations of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and/or General Statutes of Connecticut which were noted during the course of the visit. The state violations cannot be edited by the provider in any way.

In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, section 19a-496, upon a finding of noncompliance with such statutes or regulations, the Department shall issue a written notice of noncompliance to the institution. Not later than ten days after such institution receives a notice of noncompliance the institution



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The plan of correction is to be submitted to the Department by March 9, 2023.

The plan of correction shall include:

- (1) The measures that the institution intends to implement or systemic changes that the institution intends to make to prevent a recurrence of each identified issue of noncompliance;
- (2) the date each such corrective measure or change by the institution is effective;
- (3) the institution's plan to monitor its quality assessment and performance improvement functions to ensure that the corrective measure or systemic change is sustained; and
- (4) the title of the institution's staff member that is responsible for ensuring the institution's compliance with its plan of correction.

The plan of correction shall be deemed to be the institution's representation of compliance with the identified state statutes or regulations identified in the department's notice of noncompliance. Any institution that fails to submit a plan of correction may be subject to disciplinary action.



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You may wish to dispute the violations and you may be provided with the opportunity to be heard. If the violations are not responded to by March 9, 2023 or if a request for a meeting is not made by the stipulated date, the violations shall be deemed admitted.

Please return your response to Elizabeth Heiney, Supervising Nurse Consultant, at Elizabeth.Heiney@ct.gov. Please direct your questions concerning the instructions contained in this letter to Elizabeth Heiney directly at (860) 509-8059. Please do not send another copy via US mail.

Respectfully,

Elizabeth T. Heiney, B.S., R.N., B.C.
Supervising Nurse Consultant
Facility Licensing and Investigations Section

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March 1, 2023

Elizabeth Heiney, Supervising Nurse Consultant

State of Connecticut

Department of Public Health

Via Email: Elizabeth.Heiney@ct.gov

Dear Elizabeth,

Attached, you will find the plan of correction for Brandywine Living at Litchfield. A violation was given after an unannounced, survey visit was made on February 6, 2023. The Health and Wellness Director and the RN Designee were not employed during the time above violation occurred. Corrective action was implemented on 11/15/2022 when the new Health and Wellness Director and RN Designee started their positions with Brandywine and realized we were out of compliance. The plan of correction for this violation includes corrective measures that have been implemented to correct these issues and prevent reoccurrence, including the effective date the corrective measure will be put into place, compliance management to ensure that change and correction is sustained and the title of the person responsible for ensuring compliance with the plan of correction. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully,

Jina Lafleur RN, BSN, HWD

Health and Wellness Director

Brandywine Living at Litchfield

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Plan of Correction for Violation of Regulations of CT State Agencies section 19-13-D105 (e)

Submitted 3/3/2023

Violation	Corrective Measure	Date in effect	Compliance Management	Responsible Team Member	Date plan initiated /complete
Failure to ensure the quality assurance committee, met at least once every one hundred and twenty	Current nursing Team (Health and Wellness Director and RN designee) that were not present when said violation	11/15/2022	Health and wellness director to attend Quality assurance (QA) meetings	Health and Wellness Director (HWD)	11/15/2022

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Violation	Corrective Measure	Date in effect	Compliance Management	Responsible Team Member	Date plan initiated /complete
Failure to ensure the quality assurance committee, met at least once every one hundred and twenty (120) days.	Current nursing Team (Health and Wellness Director and RN designee) that were not present when said violation took place, recognized that Quality Assurance was not completed therefore implemented and held a Quality assurance meeting on 11/15/2022. Quality Assurance meetings will be held every 120 days. meeting dates have been established for the remainder of the calendar and are scheduled to occur on 6/13/2023 10/10/2023 2/13/2024	11/15/2022	Health and wellness director to attend Quality assurance (QA) meetings with QA team Every 120 days as required. Quality assurance team to include Brandywine Health and Wellness Director, RN Designee, and Resident Service Coordinator, RN case manager and Social Worker from Litchfield hills VNA and Prime Health MD.	Health and Wellness Director (HWD)	11/15/2022