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A 000	Initial Comments A COVID-19 control and Generator Monitoring was conducted at Las Mercedes Boarding Home on . The provider had the following deficiencies identified at time of the survey.	A 000		
A 030 SS=D	59A-36.007(6) FAC; 429.28() FS 429.27 Resident Care - Rights & Facility Procedures 59A-36.007 (6) RESIDENT RIGHTS AND FACILITY PROCEDURES. (a) A copy of the Resident Bill of Rights as described in section 429.28, F.S., or a summary provided by the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program must be posted in full view in a freely accessible resident area, and included in the admission package provided pursuant to rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (b) In accordance with section 429.28, F.S., the facility must have a written grievance procedure for receiving and responding to resident complaints and a written procedure to allow residents to recommend changes to facility policies and procedures. The facility must be able to demonstrate that such procedure is implemented upon receipt of a complaint. (c) The telephone number for lodging complaints against a facility or facility staff must be posted in full view in a common area accessible to all residents. The telephone numbers are: the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, 1(888)831-0404; , Rights Florida, 1(800)342-0823; the Agency Consumer Hotline 1(888)419-3456, and the statewide toll-free telephone number of the Florida Hotline, 1(800)96- or 1(800)962-2873. The telephone numbers must be posted in close proximity to a telephone accessible by residents	A 030		

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A 030	Continued From page 1 and the text must be a minimum of 14-point font. (d) The facility must have a written statement of its house rules and procedures that must be included in the admission package provided pursuant to rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. The rules and procedures must at a minimum address the facility's policies regarding: 1. Resident responsibilities; 2. _____ and tobacco use; 3. Medication storage; 4. Resident elopement; 5. Reporting resident _____, neglect, and _____; 6. Administrative and housekeeping schedules and requirements; 7. _____ control, sanitation, and universal precautions; and, 8. The requirements for coordinating the delivery of services to residents by third party providers. (e) Residents may not be required to perform any work in the facility without compensation. Residents may be required to clean their own sleeping areas or apartments if the facility rules or the facility contract includes such a requirement. If a resident is employed by the facility, the resident must be compensated in compliance with state and federal wage laws. (f) The facility must provide residents with convenient access to a telephone to facilitate the resident's right to unrestricted and private communication, pursuant to section 429.28(1)(d), F.S. The facility must allow unidentified telephone calls to residents. For facilities with a licensed capacity of 17 or more residents in which residents do not have private telephones, there must be, at a minimum, a readily accessible telephone on each floor of each building where residents reside. (g) In addition to the requirements of section	A 030			

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A 030	Continued From page 2 429.41(1)(k), F.S., the use of physical _____ by a facility on a resident must be reviewed by the resident's physician annually. Any device, including half-bed rails, which the resident chooses to use and can remove or avoid without assistance, is not considered a physical _____. 429.28 Resident bill of rights.- (1) No resident of a facility shall be deprived of any civil or legal rights, benefits, or privileges guaranteed by law, the Constitution of the State of Florida, or the Constitution of the United States as a resident of a facility. Every resident of a facility shall have the right to: (a) Live in a safe and decent living environment, free from _____ and neglect. (b) Be treated with consideration and respect and with due recognition of personal dignity, individuality, and the need for privacy. (c) Retain and use his or her own clothes and other personal property in his or her immediate living quarters, so as to maintain individuality and personal dignity, except when the facility can demonstrate that such would be unsafe, impractical, or an infringement upon the rights of other residents. (d) Unrestricted private communication, including receiving and sending unopened correspondence, access to a telephone, and visiting with any person of his or her choice, at any time between the hours of 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. at a minimum. Upon request, the facility shall make provisions to extend visiting hours for caregivers and out-of-town guests, and in other similar situations. (e) Freedom to participate in and benefit from community services and activities and to pursue the highest possible level of independence, autonomy, and interaction within the community.	A 030			

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A 030	Continued From page 3 (f) Manage his or her financial affairs unless the resident or, if applicable, the resident's representative, designee, surrogate, guardian, or attorney in fact authorizes the administrator of the facility to provide safekeeping for funds as provided in s. 429.27. (g) Share a room with his or her spouse if both are residents of the facility. (h) Reasonable opportunity for regular exercise several times a week and to be outdoors at regular and frequent intervals except when prevented by inclement weather. (i) Exercise civil and religious liberties, including the right to independent personal decisions. No religious beliefs or practices, nor any attendance at religious services, shall be imposed upon any resident. (j) Assistance with obtaining access to adequate and appropriate health care. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "adequate and appropriate health care" means the management of medications, assistance in making , , for health care services, the provision of or arrangement of transportation to health care , , and the performance of health care services in accordance with s. 429.255 which are consistent with established and recognized standards within the community. (k) At least 45 days' notice of relocation or termination of residency from the facility unless, for medical reasons, the resident is certified by a physician to require an emergency relocation to a facility providing a more skilled level of care or the resident engages in a pattern of conduct that is harmful or offensive to other residents. In the case of a resident who has been adjudicated mentally , , the guardian shall be given at least 45 days' notice of a nonemergency relocation or residency termination. Reasons for	A 030			

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A 030	Continued From page 4 relocation shall be set forth in writing. In order for a facility to terminate the residency of an individual without notice as provided herein, the facility shall show good cause in a court of competent jurisdiction. (I) Present grievances and recommend changes in policies, procedures, and services to the staff of the facility, governing officials, or any other person without interference, coercion, discrimination, or reprisal. Each facility shall establish a grievance procedure to facilitate the residents' exercise of this right. This right includes access to ombudsman volunteers and advocates and the right to be a member of, to be active in, and to associate with advocacy or special interest groups. (2) The administrator of a facility shall ensure that a written notice of the rights,, and prohibitions set forth in this part is posted in a prominent place in each facility and read or explained to residents who cannot read. The notice must include the statewide toll-free telephone number and e-mail address of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program and the telephone number of the local ombudsman council, the Elder Hotline operated by the Department of Children and Families, and, if applicable, Rights Florida, where complaints may be lodged. The notice must state that a complaint made to the Office of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman or a local long-term care ombudsman council, the names and identities of the residents involved in the complaint, and the identity of complainants are kept confidential pursuant to s. 400.0077 and that retaliatory action cannot be taken against a resident for presenting grievances or for exercising any other resident right. The facility must ensure a resident's access to a telephone to	A 030		

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A 030	Continued From page 5 call the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program or local ombudsman council, the Elder Hotline operated by the Department of Children and Families, and Rights Florida. 429.27 Property and personal affairs of residents.- (1)(a) A resident shall be given the option of using his or her own belongings, as space permits; choosing his or her roommate; and, whenever possible, unless the resident is adjudicated or under state law, managing his or her own affairs. (b) The admission of a resident to a facility and his or her presence therein shall not confer on the facility or its owner, administrator, employees, or representatives any authority to manage, use, or dispose of any property of the resident; nor shall such admission or presence confer on any of such persons any authority or responsibility for the personal affairs of the resident, except that which may be necessary for the safe management of the facility or for the safety of the resident. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to safeguard residents' well-being by failing to follow current control standards related to COVID-19 and Florida Governor's emergency orders DEM Order 20-006, dated , delineating minimum screening standards for persons entering identified residential facilities. Findings included: 1) The COVID-19 is a transmissible that presents severe risk to	A 030			

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A 030	Continued From page 6 persons who are aged, infirm, or suffer from co- including, but not limited to, system deficiency, and See generally. Publications of the Centers for Control. On , the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order 20-51 designating a Public Health Emergency as a result of COVID-19 and its impact. Pursuant to that authority, emergency orders have been issued by the Florida Division of Emergency Management to implement the protections necessary to assure the health, safety, and well-being of Florida's citizenry, including those most to the effects of . Among those emergency orders was DEM Order 20-006, dated , delineating minimum screening standards for persons entering identified residential facilities. The Centers for Control referred to Assisted Living Facility's high risk of COVID-19 spread to residents and stated: "Given their congregate nature and population served, assisted living facilities (ALF) are at high risk of COVID-19 spreading and affecting their residents. If with SARS-CoV-2, the that causes COVID-19, assisted living residents-often older adults with underlying medical conditions-are at increased risk of serious illness." The facility poses a serious risk to its residents due to its failure to apply the necessary protections to assure the health, safety and well-being of its residents to avoid the risk of spread of COVID-19. On at 8:00 AM approached the facility	A 030		

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A 030	Continued From page 7 and observation revealed no posted notices of restrictions on visitation due to COVID-19 emergency order. Staff B opened the door and allowed state representatives entrance into the facility without conducting any COVID-19 screening such as checking temperature, documenting the visitor's names or temperature, asking screening questions, or requiring hygiene. There was one staff onsite, Staff B, to care for nineteen residents. On at 8:30 AM observed Staff D and Staff E enter the facility through the side kitchen door. Staff E walked through building one to enter building two. Staff D and Staff E were allowed entrance into the facility without undergoing any COVID-19 screening. Observation on at 8:20 AM revealed Resident #2 and Resident #3 seated in the facility living room in building one without wearing masks. At 8:45 AM observed Resident #4 and Resident #5 seated in the facility living room in building two without wearing masks. On at 9:00 AM the administrator arrived at the facility wearing a mask, gloves and a hair cover. The administrator was not screened prior to entering the facility. On at 9:00 AM observed the facility's supply of personal protective equipment which consisted of 3 boxes of gloves, 2 bottles of sanitizer, shields, and cloth masks. Administrator stated he did not have surgical masks or N95 masks, and that what was observed was all the supply he had. During an interview on at 9:02 AM the administrator stated the residents were provided	A 030			

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A 030	Continued From page 8 with ... shields and cloth masks, but they do not want to wear it. During an interview on ... at 10:14 AM the administrator stated the proper screening procedure for anyone who entered the facility was to wash their ..., complete the screening questionnaire, and have their temperature taken. Class III	A 030		
A 055 SS=D	59A-36.008(6) FAC Medication - Storage and Disposal (6) MEDICATION STORAGE AND DISPOSAL. (a) In order to accommodate the needs and preferences of residents and to encourage residents to remain as independent as possible, residents may keep their medications, both prescription and over-the-counter, in their possession both on or off the facility premises. Residents may also store their medication in their rooms or apartments if either the room is kept locked when residents are absent or the medication is stored in a secure place that is out of sight of other residents. (b) Both prescription and over-the-counter medications for residents must be centrally stored if: 1. The facility administers the medication; 2. The resident requests central storage. The facility must maintain a list of all medications being stored pursuant to such a request; 3. The medication is determined and documented by the health care provider to be hazardous if kept in the personal possession of the person for whom it is prescribed; 4. The resident fails to maintain the medication in a safe manner as described in this paragraph;	A 055		

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A 055	Continued From page 9 5. The facility determines that, because of physical arrangements and the conditions or habits of residents, the personal possession of medication by a resident poses a safety hazard to other residents, or 6. The facility's rules and regulations require central storage of medication and that policy has been provided to the resident before admission as required in rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (c) Centrally stored medications must be: 1. Kept in a locked cabinet; locked cart; or other locked storage receptacle, room, or area at all times; 2. Located in an area free of dampness and abnormal temperature, except that a medication requiring refrigeration must be kept refrigerated. Refrigerated medications must be secured by being kept in a locked container within the refrigerator, by keeping the refrigerator locked, or by keeping the area in which the refrigerator is located locked; 3. Accessible to staff responsible for filling pill-organizers, assisting with self-administration of medication, or administering medication. Such staff must have ready access to keys or codes to the medication storage areas at all times; and, 4. Kept separately from the medications of other residents and properly closed or sealed. (d) Medication that has been discontinued but has not expired must be returned to the resident or the resident's representative, as appropriate, or may be centrally stored by the facility for future use by the resident at the resident's request. If centrally stored by the facility, the discontinued medication must be stored separately from medication in current use, and the area in which it is stored must be marked "discontinued medication." Such medication may be reused if prescribed by the resident's health care provider.	A 055			

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A 055	Continued From page 10 (e) When a resident's stay in the facility has ended, the administrator must return all medications to the resident, the resident's family, or the resident's guardian unless otherwise prohibited by law. If, after notification and waiting at least 15 days, the resident's medications are still at the facility, the medications are considered abandoned and may be disposed of in accordance with paragraph (f). (f) Medications that have been abandoned or have expired must be disposed of within 30 days of being determined abandoned or expired and the disposal must be documented in the resident's record. The medication may be taken to a pharmacist for disposal or may be destroyed by the administrator or designee with one witness. (g) Facilities that hold a Special-ALF permit issued by the Board of Pharmacy may return dispensed medicinal drugs to the dispensing pharmacy pursuant to rule 64B16-28.870, F.A.C. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to ensure that all medications were kept in a locked room at all times. Findings Included: On at 8:34AM, observed an unlocked room with residents' medications stored. The medication room was located in a hallway next to bathroom one and adjacent to resident room two and easily accessible to all residents. The medication room contained unlocked medications for twelve residents. During an interview on at 8:34 AM Staff C stated that the medication room was not supposed to be unlocked, it was because Staff D	A 055			

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A 055	Continued From page 11 was getting ready to assist the residents with their medication. Class III	A 055		
A 078 SS=D	59A-36.010(2) FAC Staffing Standards - Staff (2) STAFF: (a) Within 30 days after beginning employment, newly hired staff must submit a written statement from a health care provider documenting that the individual does not have any signs or symptoms of communicable The examination performed by the health care provider must have been conducted no earlier than 6 months before submission of the statement. Newly hired staff does not include an employee transferring without a break in service from one facility to another when the facility is under the same management or ownership. 1. Evidence of a negative examination must be documented on an annual basis. Documentation provided by the Florida Department of Health or a licensed health care provider certifying that there is a shortage of testing materials satisfies the annual examination requirement. An individual with a positive test must submit a health care provider's statement that the individual does not constitute a risk of 2. If any staff member has, or is suspected of having, a communicable, such individual must be immediately removed from duties until a written statement is submitted from a health care provider indicating that the individual does not constitute a risk of transmitting a communicable (b) Staff must be qualified to perform their	A 078		

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A 078	Continued From page 12 assigned duties consistent with their level of education, training, preparation, and experience. Staff providing services requiring licensing or certification must be appropriately licensed or certified. All staff must exercise their responsibilities, consistent with their qualifications, to observe residents, to document observations on the appropriate resident's record, and to report the observations to the resident's health care provider in accordance with this rule chapter. (c) All staff must comply with the training requirements of rule 59A-36.011, F.A.C. (d) An assisted living facility to provide services to residents must ensure that individuals providing services are qualified to perform their assigned duties in accordance with this rule chapter. The contract between the facility and the staffing agency or contractor must specifically describe the services the staffing agency or contractor will provide to residents. (e) For facilities with a licensed capacity of 17 or more residents, the facility must: 1. Develop a written job description for each staff position and provide a copy of the job description to each staff member; and, 2. Maintain time sheets for all staff. (f) Level 2 background screening must be conducted for staff, including staff by the facility to provide services to residents, pursuant to sections 408.809 and 429.174, F.S. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to provide documentation of a negative examination and a written statement from a health care provider documenting that the individual is free from communicable on an annual basis for two out of five sampled staff.	A 078			

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A 078	Continued From page 13 Findings included: Review of Staff C's personnel record revealed the last examination and statement of freedom from communicable was on Review of Staff E's personnel record revealed the last examination and statement of freedom from communicable was on During an interview on the administrator acknowledged that Staff C and Staff E's documents were expired. Class III	A 078		
A 079 SS=D	59A-36.010(3) FAC Staffing Standards - Levels (3) STAFFING STANDARDS. (a) Minimum staffing: 1. Facilities must maintain the following minimum staff hours per week: Number of Residents, Day Care Participants, and Respite Care Residents Staff Hours/Week 0-5 168 212 16-25 253 26-35 294 36-45 335 46-55 375 56-65 416 66-75 457 76-85 498 86-95 539	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 14 For every 20 total combined residents, day care participants, and respite care residents over 95 add 42 staff hours per week. 2. Independent living residents, as referenced in subsection 59A-36.015(3), F.A.C., who occupy beds included within the licensed capacity of an assisted living facility but do not receive personal, limited nursing, or extended congregate care services, are not counted as residents for purposes of computing minimum staff hours. 3. At least one staff member who has access to facility and resident records in case of an emergency must be in the facility at all times when residents are in the facility. Residents serving as paid or volunteer staff may not be left solely in charge of other residents while the facility administrator, manager or other staff are absent from the facility. 4. In facilities with 17 or more residents, there must be at least one staff member awake at all hours of the day and night. 5. A staff member who has completed courses in First Aid and _____ () and holds a currently valid card documenting completion of such courses must be in the facility at all times. a. Documentation of attendance at First Aid or courses pursuant to subsection 59A-36.011(5), F.A.C., satisfies this requirement. b. A nurse is considered as having met the course requirements for First Aid. An emergency medical technician or paramedic currently certified under chapter 401, part III, F.S., is considered as having met the course requirements for both First Aid and _____. 6. During periods of temporary absence of the administrator or manager of more than 48 hours when residents are on the premises, a staff member who is at least _____ must be	A 079			

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A 079	Continued From page 15 physically present and designated in writing to be in charge of the facility. No staff member shall be in charge of a facility for a consecutive period of 21 days or more, or for a total of 60 days within a calendar year, without being an administrator or manager. 7. Staff whose duties are exclusively building or grounds maintenance, clerical, or food preparation do not count towards meeting the minimum staffing hours requirement. 8. The administrator or manager's time may be counted for the purpose of meeting the required staffing hours, provided the administrator or manager is actively involved in the day-to-day operation of the facility, including making decisions and providing supervision for all aspects of resident care, and is listed on the facility's staffing schedule. 9. Only on-the-job staff may be counted in meeting the minimum staffing hours. Vacant positions or absent staff may not be counted. (b) Notwithstanding the minimum staffing requirements specified in paragraph (a), all facilities, including those composed of apartments, must have enough qualified staff to provide resident supervision, and to provide or arrange for resident services in accordance with the residents' scheduled and unscheduled service needs, resident contracts, and resident care standards as described in rule 59A-36.007, F.A.C. (c) The facility must maintain a written work schedule that reflects its 24-hour staffing pattern for a given time period. Upon request, the facility must make the daily work schedules of direct care staff available to residents or their representatives. (d) The facility must provide staff immediately when the agency determines that the	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 16 requirements of paragraph (a) are not met. The facility must immediately increase staff above the minimum levels established in paragraph (a), if the agency determines that adequate supervision and care are not being provided to residents, resident care standards described in rule 59A-36.007, F.A.C., are not being met, or that the facility is failing to meet the terms of residents' contracts. The agency will consult with the facility administrator and residents regarding any determination that additional staff is required. Based on the recommendations of the local fire safety authority, the agency may require additional staff when the facility fails to meet the fire safety standards described in rule chapter 69A-40, F.A.C., until such time as the local fire safety authority informs the agency that fire safety requirements are being met. 1. When additional staff is required above the minimum, the agency will require the submission of a corrective action plan within the time specified in the notification indicating how the increased staffing is to be achieved to meet resident service needs. The plan will be reviewed by the agency to determine if it sufficiently increases the staffing levels to meet resident needs. 2. When the facility can demonstrate to the agency that resident needs are being met, or that resident needs can be met without increased staffing, the agency may modify staffing requirements for the facility and the facility will no longer be required to maintain a plan with the agency. (e) Facilities that are co-located with a nursing home may use shared staffing provided that staff hours are only counted once for the purpose of meeting either assisted living facility or nursing home minimum staffing ratios.	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 17 (f) Facilities holding a limited mental health, extended congregate care, or limited nursing services license must also comply with the staffing requirements of rules 59A-36.020, 59A-36.021 or 59A-36.022, F.A.C., respectively. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observations, record review and interview the facility failed to maintain a minimum of 253 staff hours per week for a census of 19 residents and have a written work schedule that reflected its 24 hours staffing pattern for the month of Findings included: On at 8:00 AM arrived at the facility then entered facility and greeted by Staff B (caregiver). At 8:16 AM Staff C (caregiver) arrived and entered right side where kitchen is located. On at 8:03 AM began tour with Staff B who was found in the facility alone with 19 residents. Staff B stated, she is making breakfast for the resident and to bear with her and then she would assist shortly with the tour. Staff B stated "Go, I'm making breakfast." Staff did not conduct COVID-19 screening of surveyors prior to allowing entrance into the facility. During tour it was observed that the facility was observed with no staff schedule posted in the entire facility and was found to have five hospice residents in building 3418 and one hospice resident in building 3416. On at 8:35 AM Observed two staff members (Staff D and Staff E) arrived at the	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 18 facility and entered through the kitchen area. Staff E was observed as she left the kitchen and headed to second building 3416. On :35 AM Staff B was interviewed and asked how often does she wok alone? Staff B stated, "I was not aware that I was alone. I usually work with the Staff D (the cook) and another lady in the other building. It is usually the three of us." At 11:38 AM the Administrator was asked for staffing schedule. Administrator stated, it was in the computer and that he would have to print it out. A copy of staff schedule was printed and a review of staff schedule revealed five staff members (Staff C, D, F, G, and H) were scheduled to work on from 6 AM to 6 PM. On at 11:40 AM the Administrator stated, "I did not know that Staff B was in the facility alone. She was not supposed to be. I will address it." Class III	A 079		
A 152 SS=D	59A-36.014(3) FAC Physical Plant - Safe Living Environ/Other (3) OTHER REQUIREMENTS. (a) All facilities must: 1. Provide a safe living environment pursuant to section 429.28(1)(a), F.S.; 2. Be maintained free of hazards; and, 3. Ensure that all existing architectural, mechanical, electrical and structural systems, and appurtenances are maintained in good	A 152		

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A 152	Continued From page 19 working order. (b) Pursuant to section 429.27, F.S., residents must be given the option of using their own belongings as space permits. When the facility supplies the furnishings, each resident bedroom or sleeping area must have at least the following furnishings: 1. A clean, comfortable bed with a mattress no less than 36 inches wide and 72 inches long, with the top surface of the mattress at a comfortable height to ensure easy access by the resident, 2. A closet or wardrobe space for hanging clothes, 3. A dresser, or other furniture designed for storage of clothing or personal effects, 4. A table or nightstand, bedside lamp or floor lamp, and waste basket; and, 5. A comfortable chair, if requested. (c) The facility must maintain master or duplicate keys to resident bedrooms to be used in the event of an emergency. (d) Residents who use portable bedside commodes must be provided with privacy during use. (e) Facilities must make available linens and personal laundry services for residents who require such services. Linens provided by a facility must be free of tears, stains and must not be soiled. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to provide a clean and safe living environment free of hazards. Findings Included: On 07/14/2020 at 8:38AM observed a brown stain on the ceiling of room #112.	A 152			

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A 152	Continued From page 20 On at 8:39AM observed black marks on the wall near the bed of Resident # 1 in During an interview on at 10:18AM the administrator stated that he did not know there was a stain or a mark in the rooms. Class III	A 152		
A 161 SS=D	429.275(2) FS; 59A-36.015(2) FAC Records - Staff 429.275 (2) The administrator or owner of a facility shall maintain personnel records for each staff member which contain, at a minimum, documentation of background screening, if applicable, documentation of compliance with all training requirements of this part or applicable rule, and a copy of all licenses or certification held by each staff who performs services for which licensure or certification is required under this part or rule. 59A-36.015 (2) STAFF RECORDS. (a) Personnel records for each staff member must contain, at a minimum, a copy of the employment application, with references furnished, and documentation verifying freedom from signs or symptoms of communicable In addition, records must contain the following, as applicable: 1. Documentation of compliance with all staff training and continuing education required by rule 59A-36.011, F.A.C., 2. Copies of all licenses or certifications for all staff providing services that require licensing or	A 161		

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A 161	Continued From page 21 certification, 3. Documentation of compliance with level 2 background screening for all staff subject to screening requirements as specified in section 429.174, F.S., and rule 59A-36.010, F.A.C., 4. For facilities with a licensed capacity of 17 or more residents, a copy of the job description given to each staff member pursuant to rule 59A-36.010, F.A.C., 5. Documentation verifying direct care staff and administrator participation in resident elopement drills pursuant to paragraph 59A-36.007(8)(c), F.A.C. (b) The facility is not required to maintain personnel records for staff provided by a licensed staffing agency or staff employed by an entity to provide direct or indirect services to residents and the facility. However, the facility must maintain a copy of the contract between the facility and the staffing agency or contractor as described in rule 59A-36.010, F.A.C. (c) The facility must maintain the written work schedules and staff time sheets for the most current 6 months as required by rule 59A-36.010, F.A.C. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to have reference on the job applications for four out of four (A, B, C, and D) sampled staff. Findings included: Review of applications for Staff A, B and D hired on and Staff C hired on had no references listed on their job applications. On a 1:05 PM the administrator acknowledge their were no references listed on	A 161		

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A 161	Continued From page 22 the job application. Class III	A 161		
A 182 SS=D	59A-36.019(3) FAC Emergency Mgmt - Plan Implementation (3) PLAN IMPLEMENTATION. (a) All staff must be trained in their duties and are responsible for implementing the emergency management plan. (b) If telephone service is not available during an emergency, the facility must request assistance from local law enforcement or emergency management personnel in maintaining communication. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observations, record review and interview the facility failed to trained five out of five (Staff A, B, C, D, and E) sampled staff in their duties and responsibility for implementing the emergency management plan. Findings included: On at 8:00 AM during tour of the facility observed a fixed generator outside of building #3418 near right gate and two fixed generator located in the area of building #8416. On at 8:55 AM The staff was then asked who is responsible for turning on the generator during a power outage. "Observed staff look at each and stated, I don't know the generator run automatically." Review of the facility's Emergency Power Plan (EPP) policies and procedures documented staff	A 182		

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A 182	Continued From page 23 would receive in-service training on: 1. "Staff would be able to identify the facility's alternate power source and it's functionality, maintenance, and operation based on requirement of the manufacturer. 2. Staff would be trained to initiate use by doing a mock emergency training." Review of the personnel file revealed that all staff members (Staff A, B, C, D, and E) signed a job training & orientation safety, emergency procedures documented stating staff received training in emergency procedures, and received a certificate that they had successfully completed the training in _____, of 2019. On _____ at 11:00 AM the Administrator acknowledged that the staff were not trained on how to operate the generator. Class III	A 182			
A 200 SS=G	59A-36.025 FAC Emergency Environmental Control 59A-36.025 Emergency Environmental Control for Assisted Living Facilities. (1) DETAILED EMERGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL PLAN. Each assisted living facility shall prepare a detailed plan ("plan") to serve as a supplement to its Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, to address emergency environmental control in the event of the loss of primary electrical power in that assisted living facility which includes the following information: (a) The acquisition of a sufficient alternate power source such as a generator(s), maintained at the assisted living facility, to ensure that current licensees of assisted living facilities will be	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 24 equipped to ensure air temperatures will be maintained at or below 81 degrees Fahrenheit for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours in the event of the loss of primary electrical power. 1. The required temperature must be maintained in an area or areas, determined by the assisted living facility, of sufficient size to maintain residents safely at all times and that is appropriate for resident care needs and life safety requirements. For planning purposes, no less than twenty (20) net square . . . per resident must be provided. The assisted living facility may use eighty percent (80%) of its licensed bed capacity as the number of residents to be used in the to determine the required square footage. This may include areas that are less than the entire assisted living facility if the assisted living facility's comprehensive emergency management plan includes allowing a resident to congregate when he or she desires in portions of the building where temperatures will be maintained and includes procedures for monitoring residents for signs of heat related injury as required by this rule. This rule does not prohibit a facility from acting as a receiving provider for evacuees when the conditions stated in section 408.821, F.S. and subsection 59A-36.019(5), F.A.C., are met. The plan shall include information regarding the area(s) within the assisted living facility where the required temperature will be maintained. 2. The alternate power source and fuel supply shall be located in an area(s) in accordance with local zoning and the Florida Building Code. 3. Each assisted living facility is unique in size; the types of care provided; the physical and mental capabilities and needs of residents; the type, frequency, and amount of services and care offered; and staffing characteristics. Accordingly,	A 200		

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A 200	Continued From page 25 this rule does not limit the types of systems or equipment that may be used to achieve temperatures at or below 81 degrees Fahrenheit for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours in the event of the loss of primary electrical power. The plan shall include information regarding the systems and equipment that will be used by the assisted living facility and the fuel required to operate the systems and equipment. a. An assisted living facility in an evacuation zone pursuant to chapter 252, F, S. must maintain an alternative power source and fuel as required by this subsection at all times when the assisted living facility is occupied but is permitted to utilize a mobile generator(s) to enable portability if evacuation is necessary. b. Assisted living facilities located on a single campus with other facilities under common ownership, may share fuel, alternative power resources, and resident space available on the campus if such resources are sufficient to support the requirements of each facility's residents, as specified in this rule. Details regarding how resources will be shared and any necessary movement of residents must be clearly described in the emergency power plan. c. A multistory facility, whose comprehensive emergency management plan is to move residents to a higher floor during a flood or surge event, must place its alternative power source and all necessary additional equipment so it can safely operate in a location protected from flooding or storm surge damage. (b) The acquisition of sufficient fuel, and safe maintenance of that fuel at the facility, to ensure that in the event of the loss of primary electrical power there is sufficient fuel available for the alternate power source to maintain temperatures at or below 81 degrees Fahrenheit	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 26 for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours after the loss of primary electrical power during a declared state of emergency. The plan must include information regarding fuel source and fuel storage. 1. Facilities must store minimum amounts of fuel onsite as follows: a. A facility with a licensed capacity of 16 beds or less must store 48 hours of fuel onsite. b. A facility with a licensed capacity of 17 or more beds must store 72 hours of fuel onsite. 2. An assisted living facility located in an area in a declared state of emergency area pursuant to section 252.36, F.S. that may impact primary power delivery must secure ninety-six (96) hours of fuel. The assisted living facility may utilize portable fuel storage containers for the remaining fuel necessary for ninety-six (96) hours during the period of a declared state of emergency. 3. Piped natural gas is an allowable fuel source and meets the onsite fuel supply requirements under this rule. 4. If local ordinances or other regulations limit the amount of onsite fuel storage for the assisted living facility's location, then the assisted living facility must develop a plan that includes maximum onsite fuel storage allowable by the ordinance or regulation and a reliable method to obtain the maximum additional fuel at least 24 hours prior to depletion of onsite fuel. (c) The acquisition of services necessary to maintain, and test the equipment and its functions to ensure the safe and sufficient operation of the alternate power source maintained at the assisted living facility. (d) The acquisition and maintenance of a monoxide alarm. (2) SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN. (a) Each assisted living facility licensed prior to	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 27 the effective date of this rule shall submit its plan to the local emergency management agency for review within 30 days of the effective date of this rule. Assisted living facility plans previously submitted and approved pursuant to emergency rule 58AER17-1 will require resubmission only if changes are made to the plan. (b) Each new assisted living facility shall submit the plan required under this rule prior to obtaining a license. (c) Each existing assisted living facility that undergoes any additions, modifications, alterations, refurbishment, renovations or reconstruction that require modification of its systems or equipment affecting the facility's compliance with this rule shall amend its plan and submit it to the local emergency management agency for review and approval. (3) APPROVED PLANS. (a) Each assisted living facility must maintain a copy of its approved plan in a manner that makes the plan readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If the plan is maintained in an electronic format, assisted living facility staff must be readily available to access and produce the plan. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce the plan, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. (b) Within two (2) business days of the approval of the plan from the local emergency management agency, the assisted living facility shall submit in writing proof of the approval to the Agency for Health Care Administration. (c) The assisted living facility shall submit a consumer-friendly summary of the emergency power plan to the Agency. The Agency shall post the summary and notice of the approval and	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 28 implementation of the assisted living facility emergency power plans on its website within ten (10) business days of the plan's approval by the local emergency management agency and update within ten (10) business days of implementation. (4) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN. (a) Each assisted living facility licensed prior to the effective date of this rule shall, no later than _____, have implemented the plan required under this rule. (b) The Agency shall allow an extension up to _____ to providers in compliance with paragraph (c) below and who can show delays caused by necessary construction, delivery of ordered equipment, zoning or other regulatory approval processes. Assisted living facilities shall notify the Agency that they will utilize the extension and keep the Agency apprised of progress on a quarterly basis to ensure there are no unnecessary delays. If an assisted living facility can show in its quarterly progress reports that unavoidable delays caused by necessary construction, delivery of ordered equipment, zoning or other regulatory approval processes will occur beyond the initial extension date, the assisted living facility may request a waiver pursuant to section 120.542, F.S. (c) During the extension period, an assisted living facility must make arrangements pending full implementation of its plan that provides the residents with an area or areas to congregate that meets the safe indoor air temperature requirements of subsection (1) (a) for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours. 1. An assisted living facility not located in an evacuation zone must either have an alternative power source onsite or have a contract in place for delivery of an alternative power source and	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 29 fuel when requested. Within twenty-four (24) hours of the issuance of a state of emergency for an event that may impact primary power delivery for the area of the assisted living facility, it must have the alternative power source and no less than ninety-six (96) hours of fuel stored onsite. 2. An assisted living facility located in an evacuation zone pursuant to chapter 252, F.S. must either: a. Fully and safely evacuate its residents prior to the arrival of the event; or b. Have an alternative power source and no less than ninety-six (96) hours of fuel stored onsite, within twenty-four (24) hours of the issuance of a state of emergency for the area of the assisted living facility. (d) Each new assisted living facility shall implement the plan required under this rule prior to obtaining a license. (e) Existing assisted living facilities that undergo any additions, modifications, alterations, refurbishment, renovations or reconstruction that require modification of the systems or equipment affecting the assisted living facility's compliance with this rule shall implement its amended plan concurrent with any such additions, modifications, alterations, refurbishment, renovations or reconstruction. (f) The Agency for Health Care Administration may request cooperation from the State Fire Marshal to conduct inspections to ensure implementation of the plan in compliance with this rule. (5) POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. (a) Each assisted living facility shall develop and implement written policies and procedures to ensure that the assisted living facility can effectively and immediately activate, operate and maintain the alternate power source and any fuel	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 30 required for the operation of the alternate power source. The procedures shall ensure that residents do not experience complications from fluctuations in air temperatures inside the facility. Procedures must address the care of residents occupying the facility during a declared state of emergency, specifically, a description of the methods to be used to mitigate the potential for heat related injury including: 1. The use of cooling devices and equipment; 2. The use of refrigeration and freezers to produce ice and appropriate temperatures for the maintenance of medicines requiring refrigeration; 3. Wellness checks by assisted living facility staff to monitor for signs of ... and heat injury; and 4. A provision for obtaining medical intervention from emergency services for residents whose life safety is in jeopardy. (b) Each assisted living facility shall maintain the written policies and procedures in a manner that makes them readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If the policies and procedures are maintained in an electronic format, assisted living facility staff must be readily available to access the policies and procedures and produce the requested information. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce the policies and procedures, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. (c) The written policies and procedures must be readily available for inspection by each resident; each resident's legal representative, designee, surrogate, guardian, attorney in fact, or case manager; each resident's estate; and such additional parties as authorized in writing or by law. (6) REVOCATION OF LICENSE, FINES OR	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 31 SANCTIONS. For a violation of any part of this rule, the Agency for Health Care Administration may seek any remedy authorized by chapter 429, part I, or chapter 408, part II, F.S., including, but not limited to, license revocation, license suspension, and the imposition of administrative fines. (7) COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN. (a) Assisted living facilities whose comprehensive emergency management plan is to evacuate must comply with this rule. (b) Each facility whose plan has been approved shall submit the plan as an addendum with any future submissions for approval of its comprehensive emergency management plan. (8) NOTIFICATION. (a) Within five (5) business days, each assisted living facility must notify in writing, unless permission for electronic communication has been granted, each resident and the resident's legal representative: 1. Upon submission of the plan to the local emergency management agency that the plan has been submitted for review and approval; 2. Upon final implementation of the plan by the assisted living facility. (b) Each assisted living facility must maintain a copy of each notification set forth in paragraph (a) above in a manner that makes each notification readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If the notifications are maintained in an electronic format, facility staff must be readily available to access and produce the notifications. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce the notifications, either in electronic or paper format, upon request.	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 32 This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, record review and interview, the facility failed to train staff working in the facility on how to operate and function the generator and implement written policies and procedures to ensure that it can effectively and immediately activate, operate and maintain the alternate power source. The facility failed to have a maintenance log for its generators and failed to have the emergency power plan (EPP) approval letter available for review.. Findings included: On at 8:00 AM during tour of the facility observed a fixed generator outside of building #3418 near right gate and two fixed generator located in the area of building #8416. On at 8:50 AM Staff B stated, "I don't know how to do that. I will ask." Staff C and D were asked to turn on generator and stated, "I do not know how to turn on and test the generator. It is automatically." On at 9:06 AM the Administrator was asked to turn off facility power and test the generators in building 3416. At 9:08 AM the Administrator stated, He had to call someone else to test the generator his mechanic, then proceeded to call him. On 9:09 AM the Administrator turned off the power to facility so generator from building 3416 would turn on and after seven minutes the generator failed to turn on. At 9:15 AM Administrator was asked to test and operate the generator in building 3418 and at 9:15 AM, administrator turned off the power and after ten minutes the generator did not turn on.	A 200			

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A 200	Continued From page 33 on at 9:33 AM the Administrator asked how often he was testing the generator and was it documented? He stated, " The generator tests itself every Thursday, we don't have a maintenance log with the test dates documented." Observation on at 9:45 AM of a man who arrived identified as the f mechanic for generator. Upon arrival the mechanic and Administrator realized they had no keys to open up the generators. At 10:00 AM the power was turned off and Staff D walked over to building 3418's generator and opened it with a knife and pushed the start button for generator to start. On at 10:06 AM Administrator turned off power to building 3416 and observed while he opened generators by using a knife for both generators. Administrator stated he did not have a key for the generators and then push the start button to test generator. Review of the facility's Emergency Power Plan (EPP) policies and procedures docu would recieve in-service training on: On at 11:00 AM the Administrator stated, "I can look for the emergency power plan letter online, maybe they sent it in an email." At the end of survey process the Administrator was unable to provide documentation that the emergency power plan letter was approved and recieved. Class II	A 200		