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A 000	Initial Comments A change of ownership and a complaint investigation (#2021013218) was conducted at De' Blanca Home / Teresita ALF, Inc. on Deficiencies were identified at the time of the survey.		A 000		
A 052 SS=D	429.256(); 59A-36.008(3) Medication - Assistance with Self-Admin 429.256 (3) Assistance with self-administration of medication includes: (a) Taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, including an syringe that is prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and an that is prefilled by the manufacturer, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident. (b) In the presence of the resident, confirming that the medication is intended for that resident, orally advising the resident of the medication name and dosage, opening the container, removing a prescribed amount of medication from the container, and closing the container. The resident may sign a written waiver to opt out of being orally advised of the medication name and dosage. The waiver must identify all of the medications intended for the resident, including names and dosages of such medications, and must immediately be updated each time the resident's medications or dosages change. (c) Placing an oral dosage in the resident's or placing the dosage in another container and helping the resident by lifting the container to his or her (d) Applying medications. (e) Returning the medication container to proper storage. (f) Keeping a record of when a resident receives		A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 1 assistance with self-administration under this section. (g) Assisting with the use of a _____, including removing the cap of a _____, opening the unit dose of _____ solution, and pouring the prescribed premeasured dose of medication into the dispensing cup of the _____. (h) Using a _____ to perform _____ level checks. (i) Assisting with putting on and taking off _____ stockings. (j) Assisting with applying and removing an _____ but not with titrating the prescribed _____ settings. (k) Assisting with the use of a continuous positive airway pressure device but not with titrating the prescribed setting of the device. (l) Assisting with measuring vital signs. (m) Assisting with _____ bags. (4) Assistance with self-administration does not include: (a) Mixing, _____, converting, or _____ medication doses, except for measuring a prescribed amount of liquid medication or breaking a scored tablet or crushing a tablet as prescribed. (b) The preparation of syringes for injection or the administration of medications by any injectable route. (c) Administration of medications by way of a tube inserted in a _____ of the body. (d) Administration of _____ preparations. (e) The use of irrigations or debriding agents used in the treatment of a skin condition. (f) Assisting with _____, or _____ preparations. (g) Assisting with medications ordered by the physician or health care professional with	A 052			

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A 052	Continued From page 2 prescriptive authority to be given "as needed," unless the order is written with specific parameters that preclude independent judgment on the part of the unlicensed person, and the resident requesting the medication is aware of his or her need for the medication and understands the purpose for taking the medication. (h) Medications for which the time of administration, the amount, the strength of dosage, the method of administration, or the reason for administration requires judgment or discretion on the part of the unlicensed person. (5) Assistance with the self-administration of medication by an unlicensed person as described in this section shall not be considered administration as defined in s. 465.003. 59A-36.008 (3) ASSISTANCE WITH SELF-ADMINISTRATION. (a) Any unlicensed person providing assistance with self-administration of medication must be _____ or older, trained to assist with self-administered medication pursuant to the training requirements of Rule 59A-36.011, F.A.C., and must be available to assist residents with self-administered medications in accordance with procedures described in Section 429.256, F.S. and this rule. (b) In addition to the specifications of Section 429.256(3), F.S., assistance with self-administration of medication includes, orally advising the resident of the name and dosage of the medication and verbally prompting a resident to take medications as prescribed. (c) In order to facilitate assistance with self-administration, trained staff may prepare and	A 052			

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A 052	Continued From page 3 make available such items as water, juice, cups, and spoons. Trained staff may also return unused doses to the medication container. Medication, which appears to have been contaminated, must not be returned to the container. (d) Trained staff must observe the resident take the medication. Any concerns about the resident's reaction to the medication or suspected noncompliance must be reported to the resident's health care provider and documented in the resident's record. (e) When a resident who receives assistance with medication is away from the facility and from facility staff, the following options are available to enable the resident to take medication as prescribed: 1. The health care provider may prescribe a medication schedule that coincides with the resident's presence in the facility, 2. The medication container may be given to the resident, a friend, or family member upon leaving the facility, with this fact noted in the resident's medication record, 3. The medication may be transferred to a pill organizer pursuant to the requirements of subsection (2), and given to the resident, a friend, or family member upon leaving the facility, with this fact noted in the resident's medication record, or 4. Medications may be separately prescribed and dispensed in an easier to use form, such as unit dose packaging. (f) Assistance with self-administration of medication does not include the activities detailed in Section 429.256(4), F.S. (g) As used in Section 429.256(4)(h), F.S., the terms "judgment" and "discretion" mean interpreting vital signs and evaluating or assessing a resident's condition.	A 052			

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A 052	Continued From page 4 (h) All trained staff must adhere to the facility's control policy and procedures when assisting with the self-administration of medication. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, and interview the facility failed to follow the state guidelines when assisting residents with self-administration of medications.: Findings included: On _____ at 8:25 AM observed the medication pass for Resident # 1 by Staff C, who failed to say the name and dosage of the medications and signed 2 of the medications before the resident swallowed them. On _____ at 8:28 AM Staff C stated, "Yes I know I did it wrong." Class III	A 052			
A 054 SS=D	59A-36.008(5) FAC Medication - Records (5) MEDICATION RECORDS. (a) For residents who use a pill organizer managed in subsection (2), the facility must keep either the original labeled medication container; or a medication listing with the prescription number, the name and address of the issuing pharmacy, the health care provider's name, the resident's name, the date dispensed, the name and strength of the drug, and the directions for use. (b) The facility must maintain a daily medication	A 054			

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A 054	Continued From page 5 observation record for each resident who receives assistance with self-administration of medications or medication administration. A medication observation record must be immediately updated each time the medication is offered or administered and include: 1. The name of the resident and any known the resident may have; 2. The name of the resident's health care provider and the health care provider's telephone number; 3. The name, strength, and directions for use of each medication; and, 4. A chart for recording each time the medication is taken, any missed dosages, refusals to take medication as prescribed, or medication errors. (c) For medications that serve as chemical , the facility must, pursuant to Section 429.41, F.S., maintain a record of the prescribing physician's annual evaluation of the use of the medication. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, record review and interview the facility failed to ensure that the medication observation record was updated after residents were assisted with self-administration of medications. Findings included: On arrived at the facility at 8:15 AM and Staff C stated that the medications had already been given , but she still had to assist resident # 1 with medications. On after observing Staff C signing 2 of the medications for Resident # 1 before verifying that the resident had swallowed the medications, checked the medication observation record and	A 054			

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A 054	Continued From page 6 Resident # 1' medications were not signed on and Further record review revealed that for Resident # 2, # 4 and # 5 the medications for and were not signed. For Resident # 6 the medication for . . . and . . . was not signed. Resident # 3 had no medication observation record. A review of the medications revealed that they had already been given. On at 8:38 AM Staff C stated, "I know, I did not sign it." Stated, "Resident # 3 is new." Class III	A 054			
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	A 055			

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A 055	Continued From page 7 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; 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	A 055			

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A 055	Continued From page 8 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. (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 keep medications locked at all times. Findings included: On _____ at 8:15 AM arrived at the facility and observed on top of the table in the office, which had no door, a bottle of _____, a container of _____ 10mg, one of _____ 7.5 mg and one of _____ 10mg; all medications	A 055			

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A 055	Continued From page 9 belonged to Resident # 6. On 11:04 21 at 8:16 AM Staff C stated that they were there because they had just brought those medications. Class III	A 055			
A 083 SS=D	59A-36.011(5) FAC Training - First Aid and (5) FIRST AID AND (). 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 that the staff member possess current certification that requires the student to demonstrate, in person, that he or she is able to perform and which is issued by an instructor or training provider that is approved to provide training by the American Red Cross, the American . . . Association, the National Safety Council, or an organization whose training is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education satisfies this requirement. (b) A nurse shall be considered as having met the training requirement for First Aid. An emergency medical technician or paramedic currently certified under chapter 401, Part III, F.S., shall be considered as having met the training requirements for both First Aid and C.P.R. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to ensure that at least one staff who has completed courses in First Aid and and holds a currently valid card documenting	A 083			

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A 083	Continued From page 10 completion of such courses be in the facility at all times. Findings included: A review of personnel records revealed that Staff C's . . . had expired and she had no first aid and was not a nurse. On 11: . . . at 11:45 AM Staff C stated she was alone at times with the residents. Stated, "I did it 2 months ago. I did not get the card." Class III	A 083		
A 084 SS=D	59A-36.011(6) FAC 429.52(6), FS Training - Assis Self-Admin Meds & Med Mgmt 59A-36.011 (6) ASSISTANCE WITH THE SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION AND MEDICATION MANAGEMENT. Unlicensed persons who will be providing assistance with the self-administration of medications as described in rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C., must meet the training requirements pursuant to section 429.52(6), F.S., prior to assuming this responsibility. Courses provided in fulfillment of this requirement must meet the following criteria: (a) Training must cover state law and rule requirements with respect to the supervision, assistance, administration, and management of medications in assisted living facilities; procedures and techniques for assisting the resident with self-administration of medication including how to read a prescription label; providing the right medications to the right resident; common medications; the importance of taking medications as prescribed; recognition of	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 11 side effects and adverse reactions and procedures to follow when residents appear to be experiencing side effects and adverse reactions; documentation and record keeping; and medication storage and disposal. Training shall include demonstrations of proper techniques, including techniques for _____ control, and ensure unlicensed staff have adequately demonstrated that they have acquired the skills necessary to provide such assistance. (b) The training must be provided by a registered nurse or licensed pharmacist who shall issue a training certificate to a trainee who demonstrates, in person and both physically and verbally, the ability to: 1. Read and understand a prescription label; 2. Provide assistance with self-administration in accordance with section 429.256, F.S., and rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C., including: a. Assist with oral dosage forms, _____ dosage forms, and _____ and _____ dosage forms; b. Measure liquid medications, break scored tablets, and crush tablets in accordance with prescription directions; c. Recognize the need to obtain clarification of an "as needed" prescription order; d. Recognize a medication order which requires judgment or discretion, and to advise the resident, resident's health care provider or facility employer of inability to assist in the administration of such orders; e. Complete a medication observation record; f. Retrieve and store medication; g. Recognize the general signs of adverse reactions to medications and report such reactions; h. Assist residents with _____ syringes that are prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 12 and _____ that are prefilled by the manufacturer by taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident for self-injection; i. Assist with _____; j. Use a _____ to perform _____ testing; k. Assist residents with _____ and continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) devices, excluding the titration of the _____ levels; l. Apply and remove _____ stockings and hosiery; m. Placement and removal of _____ bags, excluding the removal of the _____ or manipulation of the _____ site; and, n. Measurement of _____ rate, temperature, and _____ rate. (c) Unlicensed persons, as defined in section 429.256(1)(b), F.S., who provide assistance with self-administered medications and have successfully completed the initial 6 hour training, must obtain, annually, a minimum of 2 hours of continuing education training on providing assistance with self-administered medications and safe medication practices in an assisted living facility. The 2 hours of continuing education training may be provided online. (d) Trained unlicensed staff who, prior to the effective date of this rule, assist with the self-administration of medication and have successfully completed 4 hours of assistance with self-administration of medication training must complete an additional 2 hours of training that focuses on the topics listed in sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. of this section, before assisting with the self-administration of medication procedures listed in	A 084			

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A 084	Continued From page 13 sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. 429.52 (6) Staff assisting with the self-administration of medications under s. 429.256 must complete a minimum of 6 additional hours of training provided by a registered nurse or a licensed pharmacist before providing assistance. Two hours of continuing education are required annually thereafter. The agency shall establish by rule the minimum requirements of this training This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to ensure that staff that assist with self-administration of medications and had completed the 6 hour initial medication training (Staff C) Findings included: A review of personnel records revealed that Staff C had completed 2 hours of continuing education on assisting with self-administration of medications . There was no documentation of having completed the initial 6 hours of medication training. On at 10:50 AM the Administrator stated, "It is my fault." Class III	A 084			
A 085 SS=D	59A-36.011(7) FAC Training - Nutrition & Food Service (7) NUTRITION AND FOOD SERVICE. The administrator or person designated by the	A 085			

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A 085	Continued From page 14 administrator as responsible for the facility's food service and the day-to-day supervision of food service staff must obtain, annually, a minimum of 2 hours continuing education in topics pertinent to nutrition and food service in an assisted living facility. This requirement does not apply to administrators and designees who are exempt from training requirements under paragraph 59A-36.012(1)(b). A certified food manager, licensed dietician, registered dietary technician or health department sanitarian is qualified to train assisted living facility staff in nutrition and food service. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to ensure that a person responsible for the day to day supervision of food service obtain, annually, a minimum of 2 hours continuing education in topics pertinent to nutrition and food service in an assisted living facility. Findings included: A review of personnel records revealed that Staff B had no nutrition and food service training. On at 10:32 AM the Administrator stated that he was the one that buys the food for the facility and he had an , , for the training and he forgot, and now he had to make another , , with the nutritionist. Class III	A 085			
A 162 SS=D	59A-36.015(3) FAC Records - Resident (3) RESIDENT RECORDS. Resident records must be maintained on the premises and include:	A 162			

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A 162	Continued From page 15 (a) Resident demographic data as follows: 1. Name, 2. 3. Race, 4. Date of birth, 5. Place of birth, if known, 6. Social security number, 7. Medicaid and/or Medicare number, or name of other health insurance 8. Name, address, and telephone number of next of kin, legal representative, or individual designated by the resident for notification in case of an emergency; and, 9. Name, address, and telephone number of the health care provider and case manager, if applicable. (b) A copy of the Resident Health Assessment form, AHCA Form 1823 described in rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (c) Any orders for medications, nursing services, therapeutic diets,, or other services to be provided, supervised, or implemented by the facility that require a health care provider's order. (d) Documentation of a resident's refusal of a therapeutic diet pursuant to rule 59A-36.012, F.A.C., if applicable. (e) The resident care record described in paragraph 59A-36.007(1)(e), F.A.C. (f) A record that is initiated on admission. Information may be taken from AHCA Form 1823 or the resident's health assessment. Residents receiving assistance with the activities of daily living must have their recorded semi-annually. (g) For facilities that will have unlicensed staff assisting the resident with the self-administration of medication, a copy of the written informed consent described in rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C., if	A 162			

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A 162	Continued From page 17 a hospice patient as required in rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (o) The resident's _____, DH Form 1896, if applicable. (p) For independent living residents who receive meals and occupy beds included within the licensed capacity of an assisted living facility, but who are not receiving any personal, limited nursing, or extended congregate care services, record keeping may be limited to the following at the discretion of the facility: 1. A log listing the names of residents participating in this arrangement, 2. The resident demographic data required in this paragraph, 3. The health assessment described in rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C., 4. The resident's contract described in rule 59A-36.018, F.A.C.; and, 5. A health care provider's order for a therapeutic diet if such diet is prescribed and the resident participates in the meal plan offered by the facility. (q) Except for resident contracts, which must be retained for 5 years, all resident records must be retained for 2 years following the departure of a resident from the facility unless it is required by contract to retain the records for a longer period of time. Upon request, residents must be provided with a copy of their records upon departure from the facility. (r) Additional resident records requirements for facilities holding a limited mental health, extended congregate care, or limited nursing services license are provided in rules 59A-36.020, 59A-36.021 and 59A-36.022, F.A.C., respectively. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility	A 162			

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A 162	Continued From page 18 failed to have documentation of the _____ of a health care surrogate, health care proxy, guardian, or the existence of a power of attorney, for Resident # 6. The facility failed to have a contract executed and the consent for assistance with self-administration of medications by unlicensed staff for Residents # 1 through # 5. Findings included: Record review revealed that Resident # 6's daughter had signed the contract on there was no document appointing her as the legal representative. On _____ Administrator stated at 11:40 AM, "She has the document but has not brought it yet." Record review revealed that Residents # 1, # 2, # 3, # 4 and # 5 had the new contracts dated _____ and the consent for assistance with self administration of medications without signature. On _____ at 12:20 PM the Administrator stated, "We have talked to the families to come and sign them, but they have not come yet." Class III	A 162			