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CZ814	435.12(2)(b-d), FS Background Screening Clearinghouse 435.12 Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.- (2)(b) Until such time as the _____ are enrolled in the national retained print notification program at the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an employee with a break in service of more than 90 days from a position that requires screening by a specified agency must submit to a national screening if the person returns to a position that requires screening by a specified agency. (c) An employer of persons subject to screening by a specified agency must register with the clearinghouse and maintain the employment status of all employees within the clearinghouse. Initial employment status and any changes in status must be reported within 10 business days. (d) An employer must register with and initiate all criminal history checks through the clearinghouse before referring an employee or potential employee for electronic _____ submission to the Department of Law Enforcement. The registration must include the employee's full first name, middle initial, and last name; social security number; date of birth; mailing address; _____; and race. Individuals, persons, applicants, and controlling interests that cannot legally obtain a social security number must provide an individual taxpayer identification number. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, record review, and interview, the facility failed to maintain an updated staff roster within the background screening clearinghouse. Staff D, who was not employed by the facility and did not have an eligible background screening, was found alone on duty caring for the residents.	CZ814			

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CZ815	408.809(1)(); 435.02(2); 435.06 FS Background Screening; Prohibited Offenses 408.809 Background screening; prohibited offenses.- (1) Level 2 background screening pursuant to chapter 435 must be conducted through the agency on each of the following persons, who are considered employees for the purposes of conducting screening under chapter 435: (a) The licensee, if an individual.	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 2 (b) The administrator or a similarly titled person who is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the provider. (c) The financial officer or similarly titled individual who is responsible for the financial operation of the licensee or provider. (d) Any person who is a controlling interest. (e) Any person, as required by authorizing statutes, seeking employment with a licensee or provider who is expected to, or whose responsibilities may require him or her to, provide personal care or services directly to clients or have access to client funds, personal property, or living areas; and any person, as required by authorizing statutes, _____ with a licensee or provider whose responsibilities require him or her to provide personal care or personal services directly to clients, or _____ with a licensee or provider to work 20 hours a week or more who will have access to client funds, personal property, or living areas. Evidence of contractor screening may be retained by the contractor's employer or the licensee. (3) All _____ must be provided in electronic format. Screening results shall be reviewed by the agency with respect to the offenses specified in s. 435.04 and this section, and the qualifying or disqualifying status of the person named in the request shall be maintained in a database. The qualifying or disqualifying status of the person named in the request shall be posted on a secure website for retrieval by the licensee or designated agent on the licensee's behalf. (4) In addition to the offenses listed in s. 435.04, all persons required to undergo background screening pursuant to this part or authorizing statutes must not have an _____ awaiting final	CZ815			

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CZ815	Continued From page 3 disposition for, must not have been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, and must not have been adjudicated delinquent and the record not have been sealed or expunged for any of the following offenses or any similar offense of another jurisdiction: (a) Any authorizing statutes, if the offense was a felony. (b) This chapter, if the offense was a felony. (c) Section 409.920, relating to Medicaid provider fraud. (d) Section 409.9201, relating to Medicaid fraud. (e) Section 741.28, relating to domestic violence. (f) Section 777.04, relating to attempts, solicitation, and conspiracy to commit an offense listed in this subsection. (g) Section 784.03, relating to battery, if the victim is a adult as defined in s. 415.102 or a patient or resident of a facility licensed under chapter 395, chapter 400, or chapter 429. (h) Section 817.034, relating to fraudulent acts through mail, wire, radio, electromagnetic, photoelectronic, or photooptical systems. (i) Section 817.234, relating to false and fraudulent insurance claims. (j) Section 817.481, relating to obtaining goods by using a false or expired credit card or other credit device, if the offense was a felony. (k) Section 817.50, relating to fraudulently obtaining goods or services from a health care provider. (l) Section 817.505, relating to patient brokering. (m) Section 817.568, relating to criminal use of personal identification information. (n) Section 817.60, relating to obtaining a credit card through fraudulent means. (o) Section 817.61, relating to fraudulent use of credit cards, if the offense was a felony.	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 4 (p) Section 831.01, relating to forgery. (q) Section 831.02, relating to uttering forged instruments. (r) Section 831.07, relating to forging bank bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes. (s) Section 831.09, relating to uttering forged bank bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes. (t) Section 831.30, relating to fraud in obtaining medicinal drugs. (u) Section 831.31, relating to the sale, manufacture, delivery, or possession with the intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver any counterfeit controlled substance, if the offense was a felony. (v) Section 895.03, relating to racketeering and collection of unlawful debts. (w) Section 896.101, relating to the Florida Money Laundering Act. If, upon rescreening, a person who is currently employed or _____ with a licensee and was screened and qualified under s. 435.04 has a disqualifying offense that was not a disqualifying offense at the time of the last screening, but is a current disqualifying offense and was committed before the last screening, he or she may apply for an exemption from the appropriate licensing agency and, if agreed to by the employer, may continue to perform his or her duties until the licensing agency renders a decision on the application for exemption if the person is eligible to apply for an exemption and the exemption request is received by the agency no later than 30 days after receipt of the rescreening results by the person. (5) The costs associated with obtaining the required screening must be borne by the licensee or the person subject to screening. Licensees may reimburse persons for these costs. The	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 5 Department of Law Enforcement shall charge the agency for screening pursuant to s. 943.053(3). The agency shall establish a schedule of fees to cover the costs of screening. (6)(a) As provided in chapter 435, the agency may grant an exemption from disqualification to a person who is subject to this section and who: 1. Does not have an active professional license or certification from the Department of Health; or 2. Has an active professional license or certification from the Department of Health but is not providing a service within the scope of that license or certification. (b) As provided in chapter 435, the appropriate regulatory board within the Department of Health, or the department itself if there is no board, may grant an exemption from disqualification to a person who is subject to this section and who has received a professional license or certification from the Department of Health or a regulatory board within that department and that person is providing a service within the scope of his or her licensed or certified practice. (7) The agency and the Department of Health may adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this section, chapter 435, and authorizing statutes requiring background screening and to implement and adopt criteria relating to retaining pursuant to s. 943.05(2). (8) There is no reemployment assistance or other monetary liability on the part of, and no cause of action for damages arising against, an employer that, upon notice of a disqualifying offense listed under chapter 435 or this section, terminates the person against whom the report was issued,	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 6 whether or not that person has filed for an exemption with the Department of Health or the agency. 435.06 Exclusion from employment.- (1) If an employer or agency has reasonable cause to believe that grounds exist for the denial or termination of employment of any employee as a result of background screening, it shall notify the employee in writing, stating the specific record that indicates noncompliance with the standards in this chapter. It is the responsibility of the affected employee to contest his or her disqualification or to request exemption from disqualification. The only basis for contesting the disqualification is proof of mistaken identity. (2)(a) An employer may not hire, select, or otherwise allow an employee to have contact with any person that would place the employee in a role that requires background screening until the screening process is completed and demonstrates the absence of any grounds for the denial or termination of employment. If the screening process shows any grounds for the denial or termination of employment, the employer may not hire, select, or otherwise allow the employee to have contact with any person that would place the employee in a role that requires background screening unless the employee is granted an exemption for the disqualification by the agency as provided under s. 435.07. (b) If an employer becomes aware that an employee has been for a disqualifying offense, the employer must remove the employee from contact with any person that places the employee in a role that requires background screening until the is resolved in a way that the employer determines that the	CZ815			

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CZ815	Continued From page 7 employee is still eligible for employment under this chapter. (c) The employer must terminate the employment of any of its personnel found to be in noncompliance with the minimum standards of this chapter or place the employee in a position for which background screening is not required unless the employee is granted an exemption from disqualification pursuant to s. 435.07. (d) An employer may hire an employee to a position that requires background screening before the employee completes the screening process for training and orientation purposes. However, the employee may not have direct contact with _____ persons until the screening process is completed and the employee demonstrates that he or she exhibits no behaviors that warrant the denial or termination of employment. (3) Any employee who refuses to cooperate in such screening or refuses to timely submit the information necessary to complete the screening, including _____ if required, must be disqualified for employment in such position or, if employed, must be dismissed. (4) There is no reemployment assistance or other monetary liability on the part of, and no cause of action for damages against, an employer that, upon notice of a conviction or _____ for a disqualifying offense listed under this chapter, terminates the person against whom the report was issued or who was _____, regardless of whether or not that person has filed for an exemption pursuant to this chapter. 435.02 Definitions.-For the purposes of this chapter, the term: (2) "Employee" means any person required by law to be screened pursuant to this chapter,	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 8 including, but not limited to, persons who are contractors, licensees, or volunteers. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, record review, and interview, the facility failed to ensure that qualified staff was present to care for four of four sampled residents (Residents #1,2,3 and 4). Staff D, who was not employed by the facility and did not have an eligible background screening, was found alone on duty caring for the residents. Finding Included: On at 10:20 am, observed Staff D (non-staff) working alone in the facility with four residents. A review of the background screening (BGS) database showed no eligible BGS in the database for Staff D. In an interview with Staff D on at 10:30 am, she stated she didn't normally work at the facility. She stated she was the Administrator's cousin and was the only one working on the morning of the visit around 9 am while the administrator was out. She stated, "My cousin told me to work here while she left due to an emergency this morning". In an interview with the Owner on at 2:57 pm, she stated she had her cousin come work while she was out because she had an emergency the morning of the visit. Unclassified	CZ815		

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A 160 SS=D	59A-36.015(1) FAC Records - Facility The facility must maintain required records in a manner that makes such records readily available at the licensee's physical address for review by a legally authorized entity. If records are maintained in an electronic format, facility staff must be readily available to access the data and produce the requested information. For purposes of this section, "readily available" means the ability to immediately produce documents, records, or other such data, either in electronic or paper format, upon request. (1) FACILITY RECORDS. Facility records must include: (a) The facility's license displayed in a conspicuous and public place within the facility. (b) An up-to-date admission and discharge log listing the names of all residents and each resident's: 1. Date of admission, the facility or place from which the resident was admitted, and if applicable, a notation indicating that the resident was admitted with a _____; and 2. Date of discharge, reason for discharge, and identification of the facility or home address to which the resident was discharged. Readmission of a resident to the facility after discharge requires a new entry in the log. Discharge of a resident is not required if the facility is holding a bed for a resident who is out of the facility but intending to return pursuant to rule 59A-36.018, F.A.C. If the resident dies while in the care of the facility, the log must indicate the date of _____. (c) A log listing the names of all temporary emergency placement and respite care residents if not included on the log described in paragraph (b). (d) The facility's emergency management plan, with documentation of review and approval by the county emergency management agency, as	A 160		

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A 160	Continued From page 1 described in rule 59A-36.019, F.A.C., that must be readily available by facility staff. (e) The facility's liability insurance policy required in rule 59A-36.013, F.A.C. (f) For facilities that have a surety bond, a copy of the surety bond currently in effect as required by rule 59A-36.013, F.A.C. (g) The admission package presented to new or prospective residents (less the resident's contract) described in rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (h) If the facility advertises that it provides special care for persons with _____'s _____ or related _____, a copy of all such facility advertisements as required by section 429.177, F.S. (i) A grievance procedure for receiving and responding to resident complaints and recommendations as described in rule 59A-36.007, F.A.C. (j) All food service records required in rule 59A-36.012, F.A.C., including menus planned and served and county health department inspection reports. Facilities that contract for food services, must include a copy of the contract for food services and the food service contractor's license or certificate to operate. (k) All fire safety inspection reports issued by the local authority or the State Fire Marshal pursuant to section 429.41, F.S., and rule chapter 69A-40, F.A.C., issued within the last 2 years. (l) All sanitation inspection reports issued by the county health department pursuant to section 381.031, F.S., and chapter 64E-12, F.A.C., issued within the last 2 years. (m) Pursuant to section 429.35, F.S., all completed survey, inspection and complaint investigation reports, and notices of sanctions and moratoriums issued by the agency within the last 5 years.	A 160		

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A 160	Continued From page 2 (n) The facility's resident elopement response policies and procedures. (o) The facility's documented resident elopement response drills. (p) For facilities licensed as limited mental health, extended congregate care, or limited nursing services, records required as stated 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 failed to maintain an up-to-date admission and discharge log. Findings Included: A review of the facility's admission and discharge log showed there were three limited mental health residents admitted to the facility (Resident#1, Resident#2, and Resident#3). It showed Resident#1 was admitted on _____ as a limited mental health resident. A review of the facility's limited mental health admission and discharge log showed there were two limited mental health residents (Resident#2 and Resident#3). In an interview with the Administrator on _____ at 3:19 pm, she confirmed there was an error on the facility's admission and discharge log and stated, "I have only had two limited mental health residents". Class III	A 160		

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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 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	A 161		

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A 161	Continued From page 4 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 maintain an up-to-date admission and discharge log. Findings Included: A review of the facility's admission and discharge log showed there were three limited mental health residents admitted to the facility (Resident#1, Resident#2, and Resident#3). It showed Resident#1 was admitted on _____ as a limited mental health resident. A review of the facility's limited mental health admission and discharge log showed there were two limited mental health residents (Resident#2 and Resident#3). In an interview with the Administrator on _____ at 3:19 pm, she confirmed there was an error on the facility's admission and discharge log and stated, "I have only had two limited	A 161		

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A 161	Continued From page 5 mental health residents". Class III	A 161		
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) 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	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 6 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 such consent is not included in the resident's contract. (h) For facilities that manage a pill organizer, assist with self-administration of medications or administer medications for a resident, copies of the required medication records maintained pursuant to rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C. (i) A copy of the resident's contract with the facility, including any addendums to the contract as described in rule 59A-36.018, F.A.C. (j) For a facility whose owner, administrator, staff, or representative thereof, serves as an attorney in fact for a resident, a copy of the monthly written statement of any transaction made on behalf of the resident as required in section 429.27, F.S. (k) For any facility that maintains a separate trust fund to receive funds or other property belonging to or due a resident, a copy of the quarterly written statement of funds or other property disbursed as required in section 429.27, F.S. (l) If the resident is an _____ recipient, a copy of the Department of Children and Families form Alternate Care Certification for _____, _____, CF-ES 1006, _____, which is hereby incorporated by reference and available for review at: http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-04004. The absence of this form will not be the basis for administrative action against a facility if the facility can demonstrate that it has made a good faith effort to obtain the required	A 162	

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A 162	Continued From page 7 documentation from the Department of Children and Families. (m) Documentation of the _____ of a health care surrogate, health care proxy, guardian, or the existence of a power of attorney, where applicable. (n) For hospice patients, the interdisciplinary care plan and other documentation that the resident is 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.	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 8 (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 failed to ensure one out of four sampled residents have a Power of Attorney (POA), Surrogate, or Guardianship documentation in their charts (Resident#2). Finding Including: A review of Resident#2's record showed the resident was admitted to the facility on however Resident#2's contract was not signed. In an interview with the Administrator on at 3:19 pm, she confirmed the resident's contract was not signed and stated the resident's power of attorney had signed the resident's admission package and forgot to sign the resident's contract. Class III	A 162			
A 000	Initial Comments A standard survey was conducted at A Sweet ALF on There were deficiencies found at the time of the visit.	A 000			
A 052 SS=D	429.256(); 59A-36.008(3) Medication - Assistance with Self-Admin	A 052			

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A 052	Continued From page 9 429.256 (3) Assistance with self-administration of medication includes: (a) Taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident. For purposes of this paragraph, an _____ syringe that is refilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and an _____ that is prefilled by the manufacturer are considered medications in previously dispensed, properly labeled containers. (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 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 _____.	A 052	

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A 052	Continued From page 10 (4) Assistance with self-administration of medication 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 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 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 11 (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 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	A 052			

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A 052	Continued From page 12 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. (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, record review, and interview, the facility failed to follow the correct procedures for assistance with self-administration of medication for one out of four sampled residents. Findings Included: On at 2:05 pm, The Administrator washed her in the bathroom. She instructed the resident to come into the dining room. She informed Resident#4 of the medications that she was giving. The administrator punched the tablet into a small cup from the card, poured the tablet into the resident's from the small cup, and handed	A 052	

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A 052	Continued From page 13 him a cup of water. The resident took the medication with water. The Administrator initialed the resident medication observation record. In an interview with the Administrator on at 2:10 pm, she stated she believed she followed the correct procedures. She stated, "The resident wanted me to pour it in his and I did". Class III	A 052			
A 078 SS=G	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	A 078			

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A 078	Continued From page 14 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 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:	A 078	

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A 078	Continued From page 15 Based on observation, record review, and interview, the facility failed to assure that one out of four sampled staff (Staff D, non-staff person) was consistent with their assigned duties to the level of education, training, preparation, experience, and qualifications in emergencies. The facility allowed an unqualified staff to work in the facility alone, to provide care and services to four residents. Findings Included: 1) On _____ at 10:20 am, observed Staff D (non-staff) alone in the facility with four residents. At 10:20 am, observed Staff D cooking lunch for residents. A review of Resident#1's record showed the resident was admitted to the facility on _____, had a medical history and diagnoses diagnoses of _____, Unspecified intellectual inabilities, _____, Hypertensive _____, with _____, and _____ . His health assessment dated _____ showed the resident required assistance with self-administration of medication. A review of Resident#2's record showed the resident was admitted to the facility on _____ . Her health assessment dated _____ showed the resident had a medical history of _____, mild _____, _____ of the _____, bi-polar, _____ required assistance with self-administration of medication and required supervision with all activities of daily living. A review of Resident#3's record showed the resident was admitted on _____, her medical diagnoses of _____.	A 078	

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A 078	Continued From page 16 , muscular atrophy, and His health assessment dated showed the resident required assistance with self-administration of medication. A review of Resident#4's record showed the resident was admitted on, had a medical history and diagnoses of Prostatic of the, and Her health assessment dated showed the resident was listed as a precaution and required assistance with self-administration of medication. Further review of resident records showed that no resident had a and all would have required if they became unresponsive. In an interview with Staff D on at 10:30 am, she stated did not normally work at the facility. She stated she was the Administrator's cousin and was the only one working on the morning of the visit around 9 am while the administrator was out. She stated, "My cousin told me to work here while she left due to an emergency this morning". On at 12:15 pm, observed the Administrator and Owner arrive at the facility, and Staff D left. A review of the facility's roster showed there were four employees (The Administrator, The Owner, Staff B, and Staff C) were listed. Staff D was not listed on the facility's roster. A review of the facility's staffing schedule for	A 078	

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A 078	Continued From page 17 showed two staff members (The Administrator and Staff C) were scheduled to work on In an interview with the Administrator on at 2:47 pm, she stated Staff C was on vacation on the day of the visit and she was replacing Staff C until she returned. A review of the facility's personnel file showed no documentation on Staff D. Staff was not listed on the facility's roster. There was no documentation of an employment application and references, eligible background screening, / First Aid training, Food and Nutrition or safe food handling, or any of the in-service trainings for Staff D. In an interview with the Administrator on at 2:57 pm, she stated Staff C was on vacation, so she had her cousin (Staff D) come work while she was out because she had an emergency the morning of the visit and had to leave. Class II	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 6-12 212 16-25 253 26-35 294	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 18 36-45 335 46-55 375 56-65 416 66-75 457 76-85 498 86-95 539 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	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 19 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 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	A 079			

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A 079	Continued From page 20 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 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	A 079	

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A 079	Continued From page 21 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. (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 observation, record review, and interview, the facility failed to have an adequate amount of staff available to provide care for four out of four sampled residents with their scheduled and unscheduled needs (Resident#4). Findings Included: On at 10:20 am, observed Staff D (Unqualified non-staff) working alone in the facility with four residents. Staff observed to be in the midst of cooking in the kitchen. In an interview with Staff D on at 10:30 am, she stated Staff D doesn't normally work at the facility. She further stated she was the Administrator's cousin and was the only staff working on the morning of the visits since 9 am while the Administrator was out. She stated, " My cousin told me to work here while she left due to an emergency this morning ". In an interview with the Administrator on at 2:47 pm 2:53 pm, she stated she had an emergency that morning, needed to leave	A 079		

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A 079	Continued From page 22 the facility so she had her cousin come to the facility to cook and clean until she returned. She further stated Staff C was on vacation on the day of the visit and she was replacing Staff C until she returned. A review of the facility's roster and the staff schedule showed there were four employees (The Administrator, The Owner, Staff B, and Staff C) were listed. Staff D was not listed on the facility's roster. Class III	A 079		
A 082 SS=D	59A-36.011(4) FAC Training - / (4) _____ _____. Pursuant to section 381.0035, F.S., all facility employees, with the exception of employees subject to the requirements of section 456.033, F.S., must complete a one-time education course on _____, including the topics prescribed in the section 381.0035, F.S. New facility staff must obtain the training within 30 days of employment. Documentation of compliance must be maintained in accordance with subsection (12), of this rule. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to have one out of four sampled staff members (The Administrator) trained in _____ (/).	A 082		

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A 082	Continued From page 23 Findings Included: A review of Staff B's record showed staff was hired on _____ and the facility had no documentation of the Administrator having the training. In an interview with the Administrator on _____ at 2:59 pm, she stated the training was completed however she couldn't find it on file". Class III	A 082			
A 090 SS=D	59A-36.011(11) FAC Training - _____ (11) TRAINING. (a) Currently employed facility administrators, managers, direct care staff and staff involved in resident admissions must receive at least one hour of training in the facility's policies and procedures regarding _____ (b) Newly hired facility administrators, managers, direct care staff and staff involved in resident admissions must receive at least one hour of training in the facility's policy and procedures regarding _____ within 30 days after employment. (c) Training shall consist of the information included in rule 59A-36.009, F.A.C. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to provide documentation of a _____ (_____) training for one out of four sampled residents (The Administrator).	A 090			

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A 090	Continued From page 24 Findings Included: A review of the Administrator's file showed the Administrator was hired on _____ however had no documentation of completion for at least an hour of _____ training. In an interview with the Administrator on _____ at 3:15 pm, she stated she completed the training but couldn't find the certificate. Class III	A 090			