

Agency for Health Care Administration

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: AL11910802	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING: _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED R-C 07/24/2023
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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 record review and interview, the facility failed to maintain the employment status of all employees within the clearinghouse for one (Staff A) of three staff sampled. Findings included:	{CZ814}		

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

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{CZ814}	Continued From page 1 A record review of the facility's clearing house roster was conducted on _____ revealed Staff A was not listed as a current employee. An interview was conducted on _____ at 9:08a.m. with the Co-Owner, the Co-Owner confirmed Staff A was still employed by the facility. Unclassified	{CZ814}		
{A 000}	Initial Comments A second revisit to the biennial survey of _____ was conducted at Americus Total Care on 7/24/2023. The facility had deficiencies at the time of survey.	{A 000}		
{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;	{A 084}		

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{A 084}	Continued From page 2 providing the right medications to the right resident; common medications; the importance of taking medications as prescribed; recognition of 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	{A 084}		

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{A 084}	Continued From page 3 reactions; h. Assist residents with _____ syringes that are prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist 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	{A 084}		

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{A 084}	Continued From page 4 sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. of this section, before assisting with the self-administration of medication procedures listed in 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 to provide proof that staff had 2 hours of continuing education in Medication Technician (MT) training for one (Staff B) of three staff sampled. Findings included: A record review was conducted on _____ of Staff B's employee file revealed there was no evidence of 2 hours of continuing education for MT training on an annual basis. An interview was conducted on _____ at 9:22a.m. with the Co-Owner, she stated she was unable to produce evidence of Staff B completing the MT training update. Class III	{A 084}		