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A 000	Initial Comments . An unannounced complaint survey for #2023017828 was conducted on , at Seaside At Fort Myers, an assisted living facility in Fort Myers, Florida. Complaint # 2023017828 was substantiated without deficient practice. The following is a description of an unrelated deficiency. .	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, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident. For purposes of this paragraph, an syringe that is prefilled 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	A 052		

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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 .
(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

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A 052	Continued From page 2 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 [illegible] 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	A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 3 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. (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:	A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 4 . Based on observation, record review, and interview, the facility failed to ensure staff who assist residents with self-administration of medications, do so in accordance with proper procedure for 8 (Residents #2, # #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9) of 15 residents reviewed during medication observation. The findings included: Review of facility policy: Nursing Policies & Procedures manual, Medication management: Self-Administration Assistance. . . . policy number 811. . . .effective date , ...Guidelines and Procedures: 6. Assigned staff will provide self-administration medication management assistance: a). washing their . . . .b). verifying the resident's identity. . . .e). placing oral medications in the resident's or in a medication-administration container that allows the resident to take the medications more easily. . . .f). Assisting the resident in lifting their or container to their ... g). Placing , medications in the resident's if they can apply the medication effectively; if they are unable to do so, staff will apply the prescribed amount of , medication with a gloved . Record review for Resident #2 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #2 required assistance with self-administration of medications. On at 8:39 a.m., Medication Technician (MT) Staff A was observed assisting Resident #2 with medications. Staff A unlocked the medication cart, and removed the ordered medications from the cart. MT Staff A was	A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 5 observed to provide Deep Sea Spray and squeezed the bottle one time into each nostril for Resident #2. MT Staff A was observed to instill .25 mg 1 drop in the left . Upon reconciliation of the medication orders, it was noted that Deep Sea spray was ordered to be 2 sprays each nostril. The order specified 1 drop in each . Resident #2 was not informed of the names of the medications she was given. Record review for Resident #3 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #3 required assistance with self-administration of medication. On at 8:44 a.m., MT Staff A was observed assisting Resident #3 with medications. MT Staff A did not inform Resident #3 of the medications names she was given. Record review for Resident #4 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #4 required medication administration by licensed personnel. On at 9:00 a.m., MT Staff A was observed to remove 50 mcg, 5 mg, 25 mg, Ared 2 supplement and 17 grams from the medication cart. MT Staff A was observed placing the medications directly into the residents' . Resident #4 was unable to assist with the medication and MT Staff A did not inform Resident #4 what medications she was given. Record review for Resident #5 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated	A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 6 , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #5 required assistance with self-administration. On at 9:10 a.m., MT Staff A was observed to remove 1% , gel. MT Staff A squirted a quarter size amount in the palm of her gloved and rubbed part of it on Resident #5's left and the other part on the right . The physician order specified to apply 4 gm , , [for] . When asked about the dosing card included in the bag with the medication, MT Staff A said, "I've never seen that before, I don't know what that is for." On at 2:40 pm, Staff C, Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) said, "there is a ruler there and you can measure from that ruler how much to use." cream is to be put in the correct place but confirmed the order was unclear because it does not specify the location to apply the medication. Staff C, LPN said Resident #5 had , and it was be used there. Record review for Resident #6 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #6 required assistance with self-administration. On at 9:16 a.m., MT Staff A was observed to remove the physician ordered medications from the cart and give them to Resident #6. MT Staff A did not inform Resident #6 the names of the medications she was given. Record review for Resident #7 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #7 required assistance with	A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 7 self-administration. On at 9:25 a.m., MT Staff A was observed to remove , 20 mg, , 25 mg and , 125 mg DR from the medication cart. MT Staff A combined the medications and crushed them, then mixed them together in pudding. Resident #7 was not informed of the names of the medications she was given. Review of the physician order indicated for , 125 mg DR. the direction of "Do Not Crush". Review of the facility medication administration record for Resident #7 also indicated do not crush the medication. Record review for Resident #8 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #8 required assistance with self-administration of medications. On at 11:10 a.m., MT Staff B was observed to remove the physician ordered medications from the medication cart and give them to Resident #8. MT Staff B failed to inform Resident #8 the names of the medications he was given. Record review for Resident #9 revealed a Health Assessment Form 1823, signed and dated , by the healthcare provider, indicating Resident #9 required assistance with self-administration of medications. On at 12:12 p.m., MT Staff A was observed to remove , 25 mg, Carbo-Levo 25-100 mg and from the medication cart. MT Staff A was observed to pour the 1 gm tablet from the bottle into her ungloved bare , and gave the	A 052		

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A 052	Continued From page 8 medications to Resident #9. MT Staff A failed to inform Resident #9 the names of the medications he was given. On at 1:46 p.m., during an interview, the Director of Nursing (DON) verified there are no residents with medication waivers that specify the resident does not need to be told the names of the medications being given. The DON said staff should be washing their between residents and verified resident medication should not be placed into a staff persons bare . The DON verified if there is a resident that is not able to assist with their medications, there is a nurse that should be giving the medications. The DON said Resident #4 is not able to assist with over for medication assistance. On at 2:30 p.m., Staff C, LPN said in memory care we crush the medications, they want us to crush each pill separately, but we can't do that with them [the residents]. Staff C, LPN verified there are no current residents with medication waivers. Class III .	A 052		