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Licensee
Caring Connections LLC
3011 Acorn Trail
Faribault, MN 55021

RE: Project Number(s) SL41993015

Dear Licensee:

This is your **official notice** that you have been **granted your assisted living facility license**. Your license effective and expiration dates remain the same as on your provisional license. Your updated status will be listed on the license certificate at renewal and **this letter serves as proof** in the meantime. If you have not received a letter from us with information regarding renewing your license within 60 days prior to your expiration date, please contact us at (651) 201-5273 or by email at Health.assistedliving@state.mn.us.

The Minnesota Department of Health completed an initial survey on June 16, 2026, for the purpose assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. At the time of the survey, the Minnesota Department of Health noted violations of the laws pursuant to Minnesota Statute, Chapter 144G.

The Department of Health concludes the licensee is in substantial compliance. State law requires the facility must take action to correct the state correction orders and document the actions taken to comply in the facility's records. The Department reserves the right to return to the facility at any time should the Department receive a complaint or deem it necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of residents in your care.

STATE CORRECTION ORDERS

The enclosed State Form documents the state correction orders. The Department of Health documents state correction orders using federal software. Tag numbers are assigned to Minnesota state statutes for Home Care Providers. The assigned tag number appears in the far left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state statute number and the corresponding text of the state statute out of compliance are listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings that are in violation of the state statute after the statement, "This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by . . ."

IMPOSITION OF FINES

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31, Subd. 4, fines and enforcement actions may be imposed based on the level and scope of the violations and may be imposed immediately with no opportunity to correct the violation first as follows:

Level 1: no fines or enforcement;

Level 2: a fine of \$500 per violation, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

Level 3: a fine of \$1,000 per incident, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

Level 4: a fine of \$3,000 per incident, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

Level 5: a fine of \$5,000 per violation, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20.

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, the following fines are assessed pursuant to this survey:

St - 0 - 0775 - 144g.45 Subd. 2. (a) - Fire Protection And Physical Environment - \$500.00

St - 0 - 0810 - 144g.45 Subd. 2 (b-F) - Fire Protection And Physical Environmentt - \$500.00

The total amount you are assessed is \$1,000.00. You will be invoiced approximately 30 days after receipt of this notice, subject to appeal.

DOCUMENTATION OF ACTION TO COMPLY

Per Minn. Stat. § 144G.30, Subd. 5(c), the licensee must document actions taken to comply with the correction orders within the time period outlined on the state form; however, plans of correction are not required to be submitted for approval.

The correction order documentation should include the following:

- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected related to the resident(s)/employee(s) identified in the correction order.
- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected for all of the provider's residents/employees that may be affected by the noncompliance.
- Identify what changes to your systems and practices were made to ensure compliance with the specific statute(s).

CORRECTION ORDER RECONSIDERATION PROCESS

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.32, Subd. 2, you may challenge the correction order issued, including the level and scope, and any fine assessed through the correction order reconsideration process. The request for reconsideration must be in writing and received by the Department of Health within 15 calendar days of the correction order receipt date.

To submit a reconsideration request, please visit:

<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

REQUESTING A HEARING

Alternatively, in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31, Subd. 5(d), an assisted living provider that

this section and chapter 14. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 144G.20, Subd. 14 and Subd. 18, a request for a hearing must be in writing and received by MDH within 15 business days of the correction order receipt date. The request must contain a brief and plain statement describing each matter or issue contested and any new information you believe constitutes a defense or mitigating factor.

To submit a hearing request, please visit:

<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>.

To appeal fines via reconsideration, please follow the procedure outlined above. Please note that you may request a reconsideration or a hearing, but not both. If you wish to contest tags without fines in a reconsideration and tags with the fines at a hearing, please submit two separate appeals forms at the website listed above.

The MDH Health Regulation Division (HRD) values your feedback about your experience during the survey and/or investigation process. Please fill out this anonymous provider feedback questionnaire at your convenience at this link: **<https://forms.office.com/g/Bm5uQEPhVa>**. Your input is important to us and will enable MDH to improve its processes and communication with providers.

You are encouraged to retain this document for your records. It is your responsibility to share the information contained in the letter and state form with your organization's Governing Body.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jodi Johnson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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0 000	Initial Comments *****ATTENTION***** ASSISTED LIVING PROVIDER LICENSING CORRECTION ORDER(S) In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.08 to 144G.95, these correction orders are issued pursuant to a survey. Determination of whether violations are corrected requires compliance with all requirements provided at the Statute number indicated below. When Minnesota Statute contains several items, failure to comply with any of the items will be considered lack of compliance. INITIAL COMMENTS: SL41993015-0 On June 15, 2026, through June 16, 2026, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted an initial, full survey at the above provider and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey, there were three residents; three receiving services under the Provisional Assisted Living Facility license.	0 000	Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota State Statutes for Assisted Living Facilities. The assigned tag number appears in the far-left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state Statute number and the corresponding text of the state Statute out of compliance is listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings which are in violation of the state requirement after the statement, "This Minnesota requirement is not met as evidenced by." Following the evaluators' findings is the Time Period for Correction. PLEASE DISREGARD THE HEADING OF THE FOURTH COLUMN WHICH STATES,"PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION." THIS APPLIES TO FEDERAL DEFICIENCIES ONLY. THIS WILL APPEAR ON EACH PAGE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT A PLAN OF CORRECTION FOR VIOLATIONS OF MINNESOTA STATE STATUTES. THE LETTER IN THE LEFT COLUMN IS USED FOR TRACKING PURPOSES AND REFLECTS THE SCOPE AND LEVEL ISSUED PURSUANT TO 144G.31 SUBDIVISION 1-3.		
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Subd. 1a (a-b) Minimum requirements; required food services	0 480			

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

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0 480	Continued From page 1 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), food must be prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules, chapter 4626. (b) For an assisted living facility with a licensed capacity of ten or fewer residents: (1) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0033, item A, the facility may share a certified food protection manager (CFPM) with one other facility located within a 60-mile radius and under common management provided the CFPM is present at each facility frequently enough to effectively administer, manage, and supervise each facility's food service operation; (2) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0545, item A, kick plates that are not removable or cannot be rotated open are allowed unless the facility has been issued repeated correction orders for violations of Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1565 or 4626.1570; (3) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0685, item A, the facility is not required to provide integral drainboards, utensil racks, or tables large enough to accommodate soiled and clean items that may accumulate during hours of operation provided soiled items do not contaminate clean items, surfaces, or food, and clean equipment and dishes are air dried in a manner that prevents contamination before storage; (4) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1070, item A, the facility is not required to install a dedicated handwashing sink in its existing kitchen provided it designates one well of a two-compartment sink for use only as a handwashing sink; (5) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, parts 4626.1325, 4626.1335, and 4626.1360, item A, existing floor, wall, and ceiling finishes are	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 2 allowed provided the facility keeps them clean and in good condition; (6) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1375, shielded or shatter-resistant lightbulbs are not required, but if a light bulb breaks, the facility must discard all exposed food and fully clean all equipment, dishes, and surfaces to remove any glass particles; and (7) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1390, toilet rooms are not required to be provided with a self-closing door. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure food was prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and is issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated June 16, 2026, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee within 24 hours of the inspection.	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 3	0 480			
0 775 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2. (a) Fire protection and physical environment Each assisted living facility must comply with the State Fire Code in Minnesota Rules, chapter 7511, and: This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated June 15, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	0 775			

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0 800	Continued From page 4	0 800			
0 800 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2 (a) (4) Fire protection and physical environment (4) keep the physical environment, including walls, floors, ceiling, all furnishings, grounds, systems, and equipment in a continuous state of good repair and operation with regard to the health, safety, comfort, and well-being of the residents in accordance with a maintenance and repair program. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated June 15, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G.	0 800			

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	TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days				
0 810 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2 (b-f) Fire protection and physical environment (b) Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans. The plans shall include but are not limited to: (1) location and number of resident sleeping rooms; (2) staff actions to be taken in the event of a fire or similar emergency; (3) fire protection procedures necessary for residents; and (4) procedures for resident movement, evacuation, or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including the identification of unique or unusual resident needs for movement or evacuation. (c) Staff of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans upon hiring and at least twice per year thereafter. (d) Fire safety and evacuation plans shall be readily available at all times within the facility. (e) Residents who are capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained on the proper actions to take in the event of a fire to include movement, evacuation, or relocation. The training shall be made available to residents at least once per year. (f) Evacuation drills are required for staff twice per year per shift with at least one evacuation drill every other month. Evacuation of the residents is not required. Fire alarm system activation is not required to initiate the evacuation drill.	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 6 This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated June 15, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days.	0 810			
01750 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 7 Delegation of medication administration When administration of medications is delegated to unlicensed personnel, the assisted living facility must ensure that the registered nurse has: (1) instructed the unlicensed personnel in the proper methods to administer the medications, and the unlicensed personnel has demonstrated	01750			

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01750	Continued From page 7 the ability to competently follow the procedures; (2) specified, in writing, specific instructions for each resident and documented those instructions in the resident's records; and (3) communicated with the unlicensed personnel about the individual needs of the resident. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the registered nurse (RN) documented resident-specific instructions for as needed (PRN) medications for one of one resident (R1) whose medication administration was delegated to unlicensed personnel (ULP). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: R1's service plan effective November 19, 2025, indicated R1 received services including medication administration. R1's provider order dated January 28, 2026, indicated the following: Melatonin 10 mg (milligram) capsule. 1-2 (one to two) capsules orally before bed. R1's medication administration record (MAR) dated June 2026, included the following order: Melatonin Take 1-2 tablets by mouth every night	01750			

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01750	Continued From page 8 at bedtime as needed. R1's record did not include specific directions to staff on when to administer one or two tablets. On June 16, 2026, at 9:13 a.m., owner/clinical nurse supervisor (O/CNS)-A reviewed R1's Melatonin order and stated it was written as a scheduled order and not a PRN (as needed). O/CNS-A further stated the order was for 1-2 tablets and didn't specify when staff would give her one versus two tablets. O/CNS-A stated R1 usually requested one tablet and only asked for it if her Trazodone (an antidepressant also utilized for sleep) wasn't working and she woke up during the night. O/CNS-A stated she will contact the provider to get the order clarified. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01750			
01760 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 8 Documentation of administration of medication Each medication administered by the assisted living facility staff must be documented in the resident's record. The documentation must include the signature and title of the person who administered the medication. The documentation must include the medication name, dosage, date and time administered, and method and route of administration. The staff must document the reason why medication administration was not completed as prescribed and document any follow-up procedures that were provided to meet the resident's needs when medication was not administered as prescribed and in compliance	01760			

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01760	Continued From page 9 with the resident's medication management plan. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure medications were clarified and transcribed correctly per physician order for one of one resident (R1). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: R1's service plan effective November 19, 2025, indicated R1 received services including medication administration. R1's provider order dated January 28, 2026, indicated the following: Melatonin 10 mg (milligram) capsule. 1-2 (one to two) capsules orally before bed. R1's medication administration record (MAR) dated June 2026, included the following order: Melatonin Take 1-2 tablets by mouth every night at bedtime as needed (PRN). The transcribed order did not include the dosage of the Melatonin, and was written as needed. On June 16, 2026, at 9:13 a.m., owner/clinical nurse supervisor (O/CNS)-A reviewed R1's Melatonin order and stated it was written as a	01760			

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01760	Continued From page 10 scheduled order and not a PRN. O/CNS-A stated the pharmacy set the Melatonin up in a separate blister pack so usually those medications were always PRN orders, and that's why she moved it to PRN. The transcribed order also did not include the medication dosage. O/CNS-A stated she will contact R1's provider for clarification and to get the order changed to PRN. The licensee's Medication Orders policy effective April 14, 2025, indicated the licensee will administer medications as prescribed by the authorized prescriber and in accordance with all the rights defined in the Assisted Living Bill of Rights and in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. No further information provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days		01760		
01880 SS=F	144G.71 Subd. 19 Storage of medications An assisted living facility must store all prescription medications in securely locked and substantially constructed compartments according to the manufacturer's directions and permit only authorized personnel to have access. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure medications were stored securely for all three of the licensee's residents (R1, R2, R3). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or		01880		

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01880	Continued From page 11 safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: During the entrance conference on June 15, 2026, at 10:37 a.m., owner/clinical nurse supervisor (O/CNS)-A stated medication management services including secure storage, was provided to all three of the licensee's residents. On June 16, 2026, at 6:44 a.m., the surveyor observed O/CNS-A administering medications to R1; R1 and R2 were seated at the dining room table at that time eating breakfast, and R3 was in his bedroom. O/CNS-A obtained the medications from a locked cabinet located in the dining area of the residence. Once all of R1's morning medications had been administered, O/CNS-A then locked the medication cabinet and placed the keys on top of the cabinet rather than securing them with a staff member. Shortly after finishing breakfast, R1 and R2 left the residence to go shopping with house manager (HM)-C. The surveyor and O/CNS-A were in the lower level of the residence at that time; R3 remained in his room on the main level down the hall from the dining area. At 8:16 a.m., the surveyor and O/CNS-A returned to the main level of the residence to observe the licensee's medication storage. O/CNS-A obtained the keys to the locked storage cabinet from the top of the cabinet. The surveyor stated the medication keys should be kept secured with the staff administering medications at all times. O/CNS-A	01880			

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 41993	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/16/2026
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01880	Continued From page 12 agreed and stated R3 would have had access to the keys while staff wasn't present. The licensee's Storage/Control of Medications policy effective April 14, 2025, indicated: 14. Medications are stored in a secured medication cabinet. Only authorized nursing personnel have access to the locked cabinet. No further information provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01880			



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Food & Beverage Inspection Report

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Establishment Info

Caring Connections LLC
3011 ACORN TR
Faribault, MN 55021
Rice County
Parcel:

Phone:

License Info

License: HFID 41993

Risk:
License:
Expires on:
CFPM: Fardowzo Said
CFPM #: 5834; Exp: 3/21/2027

Inspection Info

Report Number: F7990261010
Inspection Type: Full - Single
Date: 6/16/2026 Time: 10:50:36 AM
Duration: minutes
Announced Inspection:
Total Priority 1 Orders: 0
Total Priority 2 Orders: 1
Total Priority 3 Orders: 0
Delivery:

New Order: 4-300 Equipment Numbers and Capacities

4-302.14 *Priority Level: Priority 2 CFP#: 48*

MN Rule 4626.0715 Provide an appropriate test kit to accurately measure sanitizing solutions.

COMMENT: CURRENTLY USING BLEACH SANITIZER, PROVIDE CHLORINE TEST STRIP KIT. WE DISCUSSED USING QAC SANITIZER AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO BLEACH SENSITIVITY AMONG TENANTS, A QAC TEST KIT WILL BE NEEDED FOR IT.

Comply By: 6/23/2026 Originally Issued On: 6/16/2026

Food & Beverage General Comment

WE DISCUSSED EMPLOYEE ILLNESS, COOLING, HANDWASHING, AND BAREHAND CONTACT PREVENTION. AN EMPLOYEE ILLNESS LOG WAS ONSITE.

NOTE: All new food equipment must meet the applicable standards of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). Plans and specifications must be submitted for review and approval prior to new construction, remodeling or alterations.

I acknowledge receipt of the Mankato District Office inspection report number F7990261010 from 6/16/2026

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Temperature Observations/Recordings

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Establishment Info

Caring Connections LLC
Faribault
County/Group: Rice County

Inspection Info

Report Number: F7990261010
Inspection Type: Full
Date: 6/16/2026
Time: 10:50:36 AM

Food Temperature: **Product/Item/Unit:** Butter; **Temperature Process:** Cold-Holding

Location: Reach-in Cooler at 41 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Minnesota (MDH) Version EH Manager; RPT: F7990261010		Food Establishment Inspection Report		Page 1 of 1	
 Mankato District Office Minnesota Department of Health 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 2105 Mankato, MN 56001		No. of Risk Factor/Intervention/Violations		0	Date: 6/16/2026
		No. of Repeat Risk Factor/Intervention/Violations			Time: 10:50:36 AM
		Score (optional)			Dur: min
Establishment: Caring Connections LLC		Address: 3011 ACORN TR		City/State: Faribault, MN	Zip: 55021
License/Permit #: HFID 41993		Permit Holder:		Purpose of Inspection: Full	Est. Type: Risk Category:
FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS					
Designated compliance status (IN, OUT, N/O, N/A) for each numbered item					
IN=in compliance OUT=not in compliance N/O=not observed N/A=not applicable					
Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R					
COS=corrected on-site during inspection R=repeat violation					
Compliance Status				COS	R
Supervision					
1	IN	Person in charge present, demonstrate knowledge and performs duties			
2	IN	Certified Food Protection Manager			
Employee Health					
3	IN	knowledge, responsibilities, and reporting			
4	IN	Proper use of restriction and exclusion			
5	IN	Response to vomiting, diarrheal events			
Good Hygienic Practices					
6	IN	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco use			
7	IN	No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth			
Preventing Contamination by Hands					
8	IN	Hands clean and properly washed			
9	IN	No bare hand contact with RTE foods, alternatives			
10	IN	Adequate handwashing sinks supplied and access			
Approved Source					
11	IN	Food obtained from approved source			
12	N/O	Food Received at proper temperature			
13	IN	Food in good condition, safe & unadulterated			
14	N/A	Records available: shellstock tags, parasite dest.			
Protection From Contamination					
15	IN	Food separated and protected			
16	IN	Food-contact surfaces; cleaned & sanitized			
17	IN	Proper Disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned, & unsafe food			
Time/Temperature Control for Safety					
18	N/O	Proper cooking time & temperatures			
19	N/O	Proper reheating procedures for hot holding			
20	N/O	Proper cooling time and temperature			
21	N/O	Proper hot holding temperatures			
22	IN	Proper cold holding temperatures			
23	IN	Proper date marking & disposition			
24	N/A	Time as public health control; procedures & record			
Consumer Advisory					
25	N/A	Consumer advisory provided for raw or undercooked foods			
Highly Susceptible Populations					
26	IN	Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered			
Food/Color Additives and Toxic Substances					
27	IN	Food additives; approved & properly used			
28	IN	Toxic substances properly identified; stored; used			
Conformance with Approved Procedures					
29	N/A	Compliance with variance, specialized processes & HACCP plan			
Risk factors are improper practices or procedures identified as the most prevalent contributing factors of foodborne illness or injury. Public Health interventions are control measures to prevent foodborne illness or injury					
GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES					
Good Retail Practices are preventative measures to control the addition of pathogens, chemicals, and physical objects into foods.					
Mark "X" or OUT in box if numbered item is not in compliance Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R COS=corrected on-site during inspection R=repeat violation					
Compliance Status				COS	R
Safe Food and Water					
30	IN	Pasteurized eggs used where required			
31		Water & ice from approved source			
32	N/A	Variance obtained for specialized processing methods			
Food Temperature Control					
33		Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control			
34	N/O	Plant food properly cooked for hot holding			
35	N/O	Approved thawing methods used			
36		Thermometers provided & accurate			
Food Identification					
37		Food properly labeled; original container			
Prevention of Food Contamination					
38		Insects, rodents, & animals not present; no unauthorized person			
39		Contamination prevented during food prep, storage, & display			
40		Personal cleanliness			
41		Wiping cloths: properly used & stored			
42		Washing fruits & vegetables			
Person in Charge (signature)					
Inspector (signature) Benjamin D. Ische					
Follow-up: Follow-up Date:					

Physical Environment Inspection Report

ENGINEERING | ASSISTED LIVING

Project No: SL41993015	Date: 6/15/2026
Facility Name: Caring Connections LLC	
Facility Address: 3011 Acorn Trail, Faribault, MN 55021	

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0775**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) days

1. Each assisted living facility must comply with the provisions of the Minnesota State Fire Code (MSFC) in Minnesota Rules chapter 7511. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2]
2. Lighted matches, cigarettes, cigars or other burning object shall not be discarded in such a manner that could cause ignition of other combustible material. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 310.7]

Comments: Several discarded cigarette butts were located on the ground near the front porch in the mulch. All smoking materials including cigarette butts should be properly disposed of in an approved receptacle to prevent the risk of a fire.

3. A working space of not less than 30 inches in width, 36 inches in depth and 78 inches in height shall be provided in front of electrical service equipment. Where the equipment is wider than 30 inches, the working space shall be not less than the width of the equipment. Storage of materials shall not be located within the designated working space. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 604.3]

Comments: Items were stored in the garage in front of the electrical panel which prevented access to the electrical equipment. Proper clearance should be maintained around the electrical panel.

4. Multiplug adapters, such as cube adapters, unfused plug strips or any other device not complying with NFPA 70 shall be prohibited. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 604.4]

Comments: An unapproved multiplug adapter was in use in the office area of the facility to power several devices. Unapproved multiplug devices should be removed.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0800**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) days

1. The physical environment, including walls, floors, ceiling, all furnishings, grounds, systems, and equipment are in a continuous state of good repair and operation with regard to the health, safety, comfort, and well-being of the residents in accordance with a maintenance and repair program. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments:

The window in resident room 2 was not functioning properly and would not stay open on its own. When opened by facility staff the window failed to remain in the open position and would slide closed.

The toilet paper holder in the upper restroom was damaged and one of the arms had snapped loose from the wall. The assembly should be repaired or removed and maintained in a state of good repair.

A section of the soffit over the front porch was sagging which exposed a hole. The soffit should be repaired and returned to a state of good repair.

An electrical fixture in the basement was left open with exposed wires where a light fixture had been. Facility staff indicated that a new light would be installed.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0810**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days

1. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that are readily available at all times within the facility. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The FSEP was stored in a locked cabinet in the staff office room and was not readily accessible during the survey. No other copies of the FSEP were stored within the facility. Facility staff took at least 20 minutes to locate the requested FSEP policy and provide it to the surveyor during the survey. The FSEP should be readily accessible at all times in the facility for use during an emergency.

2. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that include fire protection procedures necessary for residents. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: Licensee failed to provide fire protection procedures for residents to the surveyor during the survey. The FSEP did not include any policies for resident procedures during evacuation. Site-specific plans should be included for residents in the FSEP.

3. Employees of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) upon hiring and at least twice per year thereafter. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The licensee failed to provide record of staff training on the FSEP. Staff should be trained on the FSEP upon hire and at least twice a year thereafter.

4. Residents who are capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained on the proper actions to take in the event of a fire to include movement, evacuation, or relocation. The training shall be made available to residents at least once per year. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The licensee failed to provide record of resident training on the FSEP. Residents should be offered training at least once a year.