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May 5, 2026

Licensee
The Alton
1306 Alton Street
Saint Paul, MN 55116

RE: Project Number(s) SL25829017

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on March 31, 2026, for the purpose of evaluating and assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. At the time of the survey, MDH noted violations of the laws pursuant to Minnesota Statute, Chapter 144G, Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules Chapter 4626, Minnesota Statute 626.5572 and/or Minnesota Statute Chapter 260E.

STATE CORRECTION ORDERS

The enclosed State Form documents the state correction orders. MDH documents state licensing correction orders using federal software. Tag numbers are 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 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 - \$1,000.00

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, **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

In accordance with 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 resident(s)/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(s) 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 MDH 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 has been assessed a fine under this subdivision has a right to a reconsideration or a hearing under 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 the Department of Health 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. If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact Susan Winkelmann at susan.winkelmann@state.mn.us or call 651-201-5952.

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 "Casey DeVries". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Casey" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "DeVries".

Casey DeVries, Supervisor
State Evaluation Team
Email: Casey.DeVries@state.mn.us
Telephone: 651-201-5917 Fax: 1-866-890-9290

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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: SL25829017-0 On March 30, 2026, through March 31, 2026, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a full survey at the above provider and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey, there were 57 residents; 57 receiving services under the Assisted Living Facility with Dementia Care license.	0 000	Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Licensing Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota State Statutes for Assisted Living License 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 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 surveyors' 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 pursuant to 144G.31 Subd. 1, 2 and 3.		
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Subd. 1a (a-b) Minimum requirements; required food services (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), food must be prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules, chapter	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 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 allowed provided the facility keeps them clean and in good condition; (6) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 2 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 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, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated March 31, 2026, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee on March 31, 2026. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.	0 480			

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0 680 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 10 Disaster planning and emergency preparedness (a) The facility must meet the following requirements: (1) have a written emergency disaster plan that contains a plan for evacuation, addresses elements of sheltering in place, identifies temporary relocation sites, and details staff assignments in the event of a disaster or an emergency; (2) post an emergency disaster plan prominently; (3) provide building emergency exit diagrams to all residents; (4) post emergency exit diagrams on each floor; and (5) have a written policy and procedure regarding missing residents. (b) The facility must provide emergency and disaster training to all staff during the initial staff orientation and annually thereafter and must make emergency and disaster training annually available to all residents. Staff who have not received emergency and disaster training are allowed to work only when trained staff are also working on site. (c) The facility must meet any additional requirements adopted in rule. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to develop a written emergency preparedness plan (EPP) with all the required content for staff, residents, and visitors to view. 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	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 4 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 potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: On March 31, 2026, at 1:52 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-D provided the licensee's Assisted Living and Assisted Living with Dementia Care Emergency Preparedness Manual three-ringed-binder and stated they were still working on getting the EPP updated. The EPP provided was a template created by a provider organization and had not been tailored to the licensee. The template had areas highlighted in yellow throughout it which needed to be filled in with the licensee's specific information, but no modifications had been made. On March 31, 2026, at 1:56 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated LALD-D found a copy of their EPP saved to their computer cloud and could print off a copy for the surveyor. On March 31, 2026, at 2:06 p.m., LALD-D and CNS-A stated they gave their EPP template to their sister facility and they filled it in with their information. They stated now they had to go back and update all of the forms to include their own information. LALD-D stated they were in the process of updating it and showed the surveyor a sample of the updated documents on their laptop. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 680			

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0 730 SS=D	144G.43 Subd. 3 Contents of resident record Contents of a resident record include the following for each resident: (1) identifying information, including the resident's name, date of birth, address, and telephone number; (2) the name, address, and telephone number of the resident's emergency contact, legal representatives, and designated representative; (3) names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the resident's health and medical service providers, if known; (4) health information, including medical history, allergies, and when the provider is managing medications, treatments or therapies that require documentation, and other relevant health records; (5) the resident's advance directives, if any; (6) copies of any health care directives, guardianships, powers of attorney, or conservatorships; (7) the facility's current and previous assessments and service plans; (8) all records of communications pertinent to the resident's services; (9) documentation of significant changes in the resident's status and actions taken in response to the needs of the resident, including reporting to the appropriate supervisor or health care professional; (10) documentation of incidents involving the resident and actions taken in response to the needs of the resident, including reporting to the appropriate supervisor or health care professional; (11) documentation that services have been provided as identified in the service plan; (12) documentation that the resident has received and reviewed the assisted living bill of rights;	0 730			

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0 730	Continued From page 6 (13) documentation of complaints received and any resolution; (14) a discharge summary, including service termination notice and related documentation, when applicable; and (15) other documentation required under this chapter and relevant to the resident's services or status. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure resident records included a discharge summary for one of two discharged residents (R2). 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: R2 was admitted to the licensee on March 4, 2026, and discharged on March 7, 2026. R2's Service Plan dated March 4, 2026, indicated R2 received services for bathing, dressing assistance, medication administration, and toileting. On March 30, 2026, at 12:18 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A's email indicated they did not complete a discharge summary for R2. It further indicated R2 only lived at the facility for three to	0 730			

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0 730	Continued From page 7 four days before passing away. On March 31, 2026, at 2:25 p.m., CNS-A stated R2 had a billing issue which caused their computer software system to prematurely remove them from the licensee's active roster. CNS-A stated since R2 was removed from the active roster they never received a reminder to close the file and complete a discharge summary. The licensee's 2.37 Resident Record - Documentation policy dated October 28, 2025, was provided but did not address discharge summaries. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 730			
0 775 SS=I	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 three violation (a violation that harmed a resident's health or safety, or a violation that had the potential to cause more than minimal harm to the resident) and was	0 775			

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0 775	Continued From page 8 issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has 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 April 1, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	0 775			
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	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 9 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. 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 April 1, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G.	0 810			

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	TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days				
01060 SS=D	144G.52 Subd. 9 Emergency relocation (a) A facility may remove a resident from the facility in an emergency if necessary due to a resident's urgent medical needs or an imminent risk the resident poses to the health or safety of another facility resident or facility staff member. An emergency relocation is not a termination. (b) In the event of an emergency relocation, the facility must provide a written notice that contains, at a minimum: (1) the reason for the relocation; (2) the name and contact information for the location to which the resident has been relocated and any new service provider; (3) contact information for the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care and the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities; (4) if known and applicable, the approximate date or range of dates within which the resident is expected to return to the facility, or a statement that a return date is not currently known; and (5) a statement that, if the facility refuses to provide housing or services after a relocation, the resident has the right to appeal under section 144G.54. The facility must provide contact information for the agency to which the resident may submit an appeal. (c) The notice required under paragraph (b) must be delivered as soon as practicable to: (1) the resident, legal representative, and designated representative; (2) for residents who receive home and community-based waiver services under chapter 256S and section 256B.49, the resident's case	01060			

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01060	Continued From page 11 manager; and (3) the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care if the resident has been relocated and has not returned to the facility within four days. (d) Following an emergency relocation, a facility's refusal to provide housing or services constitutes a termination and triggers the termination process in this section.currently known; and This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to provide a written notice with the required content for an emergency relocation to the resident, legal representative, or designated representative, and failed to provide the notification to the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care (OOLTC) of the emergency relocation greater than four days 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 was admitted to the licensee on February 6, 2024, and discharged on January 23, 2026. R1's Service Plan dated February 6, 2024, indicated R2 received services for nail grooming, medication management, and special diet needs.	01060			

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01060	Continued From page 12 R1's progress notes indicated R1 was sent to the hospital on January 11, 2026, at 3:45 p.m. It further indicated R1 discharged from the hospital on January 20, 2026. On March 30, 2026, at 12:18 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A's email indicated they did not complete or provide an emergency relocation for R1. On March 31, 2026, at 2:25 p.m., CNS-A stated they overlooked providing the emergency relocation information to R1 and also overlooked contacting the OOLTC. CNS-A stated they did not expect R1 to move out, but they ended up going to a transitional care unit (TCU). The licensee's 1.23 Emergency Relocation policy dated October 28, 2025, indicated: "1. In the event of an emergency relocation, The Alton will provide a written notice that contains, at a minimum: a. The reason for the relocation b. The name and contact information for the location to which the resident has been relocated and any new service provider c. Contact information for the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care and Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities d. If known and applicable, the approximate date or range of dates within which the resident is expected to return to the facility, or a statement that a return date is not currently known, and e. A statement that, if the facility refuses to provide housing or services after a relocation, the resident has the right to appeal. 3. The facility will provide contact information for the agency to which the resident may submit an appeal.	01060			

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01060	Continued From page 13 4. The notice required will be delivered as soon as practicable to: a. The resident, legal representative, and designated representative b. For residents who receive home and community-based waiver services, the resident's case manager, and c. The Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care if the resident has been relocated and has not returned to the facility within four days. 5. Following an emergency relocation, a facility's refusal to provide housing or services constitutes a termination and triggers the contract termination process." No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01060			
01620 SS=D	144G.70 Subd. 2 (c-e) Initial reviews, assessments, and monitoring (a) Residents who are not receiving any assisted living services shall not be required to undergo an initial nursing assessment. (b) An assisted living facility shall conduct a nursing assessment by a registered nurse of the physical and cognitive needs of the prospective resident and propose a temporary service plan prior to the date on which a prospective resident executes a contract with a facility or the date on which a prospective resident moves in, whichever is earlier. If necessitated by either the geographic distance between the prospective resident and the facility, or urgent or unexpected circumstances, the assessment may be conducted using telecommunication methods based on practice standards that meet the	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 14 resident's needs and reflect person-centered planning and care delivery. (c) Resident reassessment and monitoring must be conducted by a registered nurse: (1) no more than 14 calendar days after initiation of services; (2) as needed based on changes in the resident's needs; and (3) at least every 90 calendar days. (d) Sections of the reassessment and monitoring in paragraph (c) may be completed by a licensed practical nurse as allowed under the Nurse Practice Act in sections 148.171 to 148.285. A registered nurse must review the findings as part of the resident's reassessment. (e) For residents only receiving assisted living services specified in section 144G.08, subdivision 9, clauses (1) to (5), the facility shall complete an individualized initial review of the resident's needs and preferences. The initial review must be completed within 30 calendar days of the start of services. Resident monitoring and review must be conducted as needed based on changes in the needs of the resident and cannot exceed 90 calendar days from the date of the last review. (f) A facility must inform the prospective resident of the availability of and contact information for long-term care consultation services under section 256B.0911, prior to the date on which a prospective resident executes a contract with a facility or the date on which a prospective resident moves in, whichever is earlier. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the registered nurse (RN) conducted a comprehensive assessment within 14 days after admission for one of three residents (R4).	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 15 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: R4 was admitted to the licensee on September 3, 2024. R4's Service Plan dated March 31, 2026, indicated R4 received meal assistance, laundry, grooming, bathing assistance, and medication administration. R4's Admission Assessment was completed on September 3, 2024. R4's 14 Day Assessment was completed on September 20, 2024, seventeen days after R4's date of admission to the facility. On March 31, 2026, at 8:22 a.m., the surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-C administer medications for R4. On March 31, 2026, at 2:25 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated R4's 14 day assessment was completed late and had been overlooked. On April 1, 2026, at 9:21 a.m., the surveyor requested an assessment policy via email but one was not provided.	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 16 No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01620			
01910 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 22 Disposition of medications (a) Any current medications being managed by the assisted living facility must be provided to the resident when the resident's service plan ends or medication management services are no longer part of the service plan. Medications for a resident who is deceased or that have been discontinued or have expired may be provided for disposal. (b) The facility shall dispose of any medications remaining with the facility that are discontinued or expired or upon the termination of the service contract or the resident's death according to state and federal regulations for disposition of medications and controlled substances. (c) Upon disposition, the facility must document in the resident's record the disposition of the medication including the medication's name, strength, prescription number as applicable, quantity, to whom the medications were given, date of disposition, and names of staff and other individuals involved in the disposition. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to document the quantity of medications discharged with one of four discharged residents (R1) who received medication management services. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or	01910			

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01910	Continued From page 17 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 was admitted to the licensee on February 6, 2024, and discharged on January 23, 2026. R1's Service Plan dated February 6, 2024, indicated R1 received services for medication management. The licensee's Medication Disposition History printed on March 30, 2026, for the dates of November 30, 2025, to March 30, 2026, lacked documentation of R1's medication disposition. On March 30, 2026, at 12:18 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A's email indicated they did not have a medication disposition record for R1. On March 30, 2026, at 2:25 p.m., CNS-A stated R1's family was going to take the medications and that they were taken before the medication disposition documentation could be completed. The licensee's 7.23 Medication Disposal policy dated November 24, 2025, indicated, "Upon disposition, the facility must document in the resident's record the disposition of the medication including the medication's name, strength, prescription number as applicable, quantity, to whom the medications were given, date of disposition, and names of staff and other individuals involved in the disposition."	01910			

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01910	Continued From page 18 No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01910			



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Food & Beverage Inspection Report

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Establishment Info

THE ALTON
1306 ALTON STREET
St Paul, MN 55116
Ramsey County
Parcel:

Phone:

License Info

License: HFID 25829

Risk:
License:
Expires on:
CFPM: Anthony Abant
CFPM #: FM94796; Exp: 8/25/2027

Inspection Info

Report Number: F1039261092
Inspection Type: Full - Single
Date: 3/31/2026 Time: 10:30 AM
Duration: minutes
Announced Inspection:
Total Priority 1 Orders: 1
Total Priority 2 Orders: 1
Total Priority 3 Orders: 2
Delivery: Emailed

New Order: 4-300 Equipment Numbers and Capacities

4-302.13B *Priority Level: Priority 2 CFP#: 48*

MN Rule 4626.0710B Provide a readily accessible, irreversible registering temperature indicator for measuring the utensil surface temperature in mechanical hot water warewashing operations.

COMMENT: DISK-STYLE WATERPROOF THERMOMETER DOESN'T POWER ON. REPLACE BATTERY.

Comply By: 3/31/2026 Originally Issued On: 3/31/2026

! New Order: 4-500 Equipment Maintenance and Operation

4-501.114C3 *Priority Level: Priority 1 CFP#: 16*

MN Rule 4626.0805C3 Provide and maintain an approved quaternary ammonium compound sanitizing solution in water with 500 ppm hardness or less, a minimum temperature of 75 degrees F (24 degrees C) and a concentration specified in 21CFR.178.1010 and as indicated by the manufacturer's use directions and label.

COMMENT: SOLUTION DISPENSED AT 3-COMP SINK MEASURES LESS THAN 100 PPM QUAT. PIC WILL HAVE DISPENSER REPAIRED OR ADJUSTED AND WILL MONITOR USING QUAT. TEST STRIPS. PIC/STAFF WILL PREPARE SOLUTIONS MANUALLY IN MEANTIME.

Comply By: 3/31/2026 Originally Issued On: 3/31/2026

New Order: 4-600 Cleaning Equipment and Utensils

4-602.11E *Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 16*

MN Rule 4626.0845E Clean surfaces contacting food that is not TCS: 1. at any time when contamination may have occurred; 2. at least once every 24 hours for iced tea dispensers and consumer self-service utensils; 3. before restocking consumer self-service equipment and utensils such as condiment dispensers, and display containers; 4. at a frequency specified by the manufacturer or at a frequency necessary to preclude accumulation of soil or mold for ice bins, beverage dispensing nozzles, enclosed components of ice makers, cooking oil storage tanks and distribution lines, beverage and syrup dispensing lines or tubes, coffee bean grinders, and water vending equipment.

COMMENT: SOME SOILS ARE OBSERVED IN ICE MACHINE. DISCARD ICE, THEN CLEAN AND SANITIZE ICE CONTACT SURFACES. SEE 4. IN ABOVE RULE.

Comply By: 3/31/2026 Originally Issued On: 3/31/2026

New Order: 5-200A Plumbing: approved materials/design

5-201.11B *Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 51*

MN Rule 4626.1040B Maintain the plumbing system in good repair.

COMMENT: BACK FLOW PREVENTER ON MOP SINK FAUCET IS BROKEN. SINK IS OUT-OF-SERVICE. REPAIR OR REPLACE BACK FLOW PREVENTER.

Comply By: 4/28/2026 Originally Issued On: 3/31/2026

Food & Beverage General Comment

AMBIENT - COOK LINE PREP COOLER - 38 DEGREES F
MASHED POTATO - COLD HOLD, WALK-IN COOLER - 39 DEGREES F
WALK-IN FREEZER - FROZEN

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 Metro District Office inspection report number F1039261092 from 3/31/2026



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Sanitizer Observations/Recordings

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Establishment Info	Inspection Info
THE ALTON	Report Number: F1039261092
St Paul	Inspection Type: Full
County/Group: Ramsey County	Date: 3/31/2026
	Time: 10:30 AM

Sanitizing Equipment: Product: Hot Water; **Sanitizing Process:** Dish Machine
Location: Equal To 160 Degrees F.
Comment:
Violation Issued?: No

Physical Environment Inspection Report

ENGINEERING | ASSISTED LIVING

Project No: SL25829017	Date: 4/1/2026
Facility Name: The Alton	
Facility Address: 1306 Alton St., St. Paul, MN 55116	

☒ TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0775

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 3; 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.

In buildings that contain a fuel-burning appliance or fireplace, or attached private garage, carbon monoxide detection shall be installed in dwelling units within ten feet of bedrooms. Where a fuel burning appliance is located in a bedroom or its attached bathroom, carbon monoxide detection shall be installed within the bedroom. Carbon monoxide detection can be provided by carbon monoxide alarms installed in dwelling or sleeping units or a carbon monoxide detection system installed in the room or space that contains the fuel-burning appliance. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 915]

Comments: No devices capable of detecting carbon monoxide were located in the facility during the survey. Several detector heads were removed from the hallway ceilings and from within resident rooms, but they did not indicate the ability to detect carbon monoxide. A review of the annual fire alarm system inspection failed to indicate any carbon monoxide detection devices connected to the fire alarm panel system. The licensee indicated they were unaware of any carbon monoxide devices installed in the facility despite gas appliances in the facility. Approved carbon monoxide detection should be installed and maintained in the facility that will alert staff if there is a buildup of carbon monoxide.

3.

Fire doors shall be maintained to be self-closing and latch as designed. Fire doors shall not be blocked, obstructed, or otherwise made inoperable. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 705] Interior vertical shafts, including stairways, elevator hoistways, and service and utility shafts, that connect two or more stories of a building, shall be enclosed or protected. When openings are required to be protected, opening protectives shall be maintained self-closing. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1103.4, 1103.4.1]

Comments: The rear fire door assembly on the elevator shaft on the third floor was obstructed by stored items and not capable of closing and latching during a fire alarm system activation. Stored items should be removed from the path of the door, and the area should remain free of storage that might obstruct fire doors.

4. Controlled egress locking systems shall: unlock upon activation of either the automatic sprinkler system or automatic fire detection system, unlock upon loss of power controlling the lock, have the capability of being unlocked from the fire command center, a nursing station, or other approved location. Building occupants shall not be required to pass through more than one controlled egress locked door before entering an exit. The procedures for the operation of the unlocking system shall be described as part of the fire safety and evacuation plan. All clinical staff shall have the keys, codes, or other means necessary to operate the locking device. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1010.1.9.7]

Comments:

No remote release button or switch was provided to break power to all controlled egress doors. All exit doors from the facility were equipped with controlled egress doors, however there was no means to unlock the doors from an approved location. An approved method to remotely unlock controlled egress doors should be installed and maintained.

The controlled egress door leading out of the South stairwell to the courtyard on the first floor was not properly operable when tested. The controlled egress door did not properly latch and was not properly functioning as a controlled egress door.

5. Delayed egress locking systems shall: unlock upon activation of either the automatic sprinkler system or automatic fire detection system, unlock upon loss of power controlling the lock, have the capability of being unlocked from the fire command center and other approved locations. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1010.1.9.8.1]

Comments:

No remote release button or switch was provided to break power to all delayed egress doors. Many stairwell exit enclosures in the facility were equipped with delayed egress doors, however there was no means to unlock the doors from an approved location. An approved method to remotely unlock delayed egress doors should be installed and maintained.

The delayed egress door leading to the South stairwell on the first floor was not properly operable when tested. The delayed egress door did not properly latch and was not properly functioning as a delayed egress door.

6. Smoke alarms are provided outside and in immediate vicinity of each room used for sleeping purposes. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2] For Group I-2 facilities other than hospitals and nursing homes, single-station smoke alarms shall be installed in resident sleeping rooms. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 907.2.6.2.4] Listed single- and multiple-station smoke alarms complying with UL 217 shall be installed in accordance with Sections 907.2.10.1 through 907.2.10.7 and NFPA 72. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 907.2.10] Where audible appliances are installed to provide signals for sleeping areas, they shall have a sound level of at least 15 dB above the average ambient sound level or 5 dB above the maximum sound level having a duration of at least 60 seconds or a sound level of at least 75 dBA, whichever is greater, measured at the pillow level in the area required. (NAPF 72; 18.4.6.1)

Comments: Resident rooms did not contain smoke alarms that would sound within the rooms. Smoke detectors were present within the rooms which connected to the fire alarm panel, but devices were not installed which could create an audible alarm within each resident room. Approved sounding devices should be installed and maintained in resident rooms.

7. In buildings protected by automatic sprinklers or automatic fire detectors, suspended or removable ceiling tiles shall be maintained in place to prevent the delay in sprinkler or detector activation. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 901.11]

Comments: There was a hole in the ceiling around sprinkler heads where ceiling tiles had been removed in the third-floor storage room next to the activities office. Ceiling tiles should be replaced and maintained to ensure proper operation of sprinkler heads.

8. 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 resident room 307. The unapproved multiplug adapter was removed by the licensee during the survey.

9. 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: The electrical panels in the third-floor storage room were not readily accessible as they were obstructed by stored materials. Proper clearance should be maintained around electrical panels.

10. Fire detection and alarm systems, emergency alarm systems, gas detection systems, fire-extinguishing systems, mechanical smoke exhaust systems and smoke and heat vents shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times and shall be replaced or repaired where defective. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 901.6]

Comments:

The sprinkler heads in the hallway on the third-floor near the vending machines and in the second-floor maintenance closet were missing escutcheons which had fallen off of the sprinkler head assemblies. Escutcheons should be replaced and maintained to ensure proper operability of sprinkler heads.

11. Gas fired commercial cooking appliances installed on casters and appliances that are moved for cleaning and sanitation purposes shall be connected to the piping system with a connector complying with ANSI Z21.69. Movement of appliances on casters shall be limited by a restraining device installed in accordance with the connector and appliance manufacturer's instructions. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 607.4]

Comments: Kitchen equipment was not properly equipped with restraining tether device to prevent disconnection from gas lines. Restraining devices should be properly installed and maintained.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0810**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days

1. 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 documentation of staff training on the FSEP. Staff should receive training upon hire and at least twice a year thereafter and should be documented.

2. Evacuation drills are required for employees 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. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The licensee provided records of evacuation drills which occurred on 7/16/2025, 10/2/2025 and 3/27/2026. Licensee was able to provide any further documentation of drills and provided records were insufficient to illustrate required frequency of drills. Evacuation drills should occur at least twice per shift per year and at least once every other month.