Mississippi State Department of Health

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTIONS	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING B. WING	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED **02/23/2026**

NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER	STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE
PERRY COUNTY NURSING CENTER	**202 BAY AVENUE WEST P O BOX 1620, RICHTON, Mississippi, 39476**

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M0000	Initial Comments The State Agency (SA) conducted a Complaint Investigation (CI MS #2739946), at the facility on 02/23/2026. CI MS #2739946 was investigated for quality of care, neglect, nursing services, staffing, and environment. The SA determined the facility was not in compliance with the Minimum Standards for Institutions for the Aged or Infirm, state licensure requirement and cited M225 due to identification of a separate deficient practice unrelated to the CI allegations.	M0000		
M0225	45.4.1 Nursing Facility Nursing Facility. To be classified as a facility, the institution shall comply with the following staffing requirements: 1. Minimum requirements for nursing staff shall be based on the ratio of two and eight-tenths (2.80) hours of direct nursing care per resident per twenty-four (24) hours. Staffing requirements are based upon resident census. Based upon the physical layout of the nursing facility, the licensing agency may increase the nursing care per resident ratio. 2. Each facility shall have the following licensed personnel as a minimum: a. Seven (7) day coverage on the day shift by a registered nurse. b. A registered nurse designated as the Director of Nursing Services, who shall be employed on a full time (five [5] days per week) basis on the day shift and be responsible for all nursing services in the facility. c. Facilities of one-hundred eighty (180) beds or more shall have an assistant director of nursing services, who shall be a registered nurse.	M0225		

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE	TITLE	(X6) DATE

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M0225	Continued from page 1 d. A registered nurse or licensed practical nurse shall serve as a charge nurse and be responsible for supervision of the total nursing activities in the facility during the 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. shift. The nurse assigned to the unit for the 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift may serve as both the charge nurse and medication/treatment nurse. A medication/treatment nurse for each nurses' station shall be required on all shifts. This shall be a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse. e. In facilities with sixty (60) beds or less, the director of nursing services may serve as charge nurse. f. In facilities with more than sixty (60) beds, the charge nurse may not be the director of nursing services or the medication/treatment nurse. 3. Non-Licensed Staff. The non-licensed staff shall be added to the total licensed staff, to complete the required staffing requirements. 4. There shall be at least two (2) employees in the facility at all times in the event of an emergency. This LICENSURE REQUIREMENT is NOT MET as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to designate a licensed nurse to serve as the charge nurse responsible for supervision of total nursing activities for three (3) of three (3) shifts, as the nurse identified as the charge nurse on the 7:00 AM–3:00 PM shift simultaneously functioned as the treatment nurse, and no charge nurse was designated for the 3:00 PM–11:00 PM and 11:00 PM–7:00 AM shifts, which had the potential to affect all 57 residents residing in the facility. Findings include: A review of the facility's policy, "Nursing Services-Staffing," revised 11/17, revealed, "…3. Each facility will designate a nurse…as a Charge Nurse on each tour of duty. The Charge Nurse…will supervise the care rendered to the residents to promote quality of life, resident rights, and to assure that the care rendered is consistent with areas identified in the comprehensive care plan…"	M0225		

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M0225	Continued from page 2 A record review of the facility's "Facility Assessment," dated 11/17/25, revealed, "…Facility Resources needed to Provide Competent Support and Care for Our Resident Population…Staffing Plan…7AM-3PM shift 7 aides (Certified Nurse Aides)/2 LPNs (Licensed Practical Nurse)/1 Charge/TX (Treatment) RN (Registered Nurse); 3PM-11PM shift 4 aides/2 LPNs; 11PM-7AM shift 4 aides/1 LPN…" A record review of the facility's "Monthly Staff Schedule" for February 2026 revealed that on 2/23/26 there were three (3) nurses scheduled for the 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM shift, two (2) nurses scheduled for the 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM shift, and one (1) nurse scheduled for the 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM shift. No designated charge nurse was identified on the schedule for any shift. On 2/23/26 at 10:45 AM, during an interview, the Staff Development Nurse explained the facility has three halls (B, C, and D) and that nursing staff work eight-hour shifts. She reported that during the 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM shift there are three nurses consisting of two medication nurses and one treatment nurse. She stated that during the 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM shift there are two LPNs, and during the 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM shift there is one LPN. She confirmed she does not schedule a designated charge nurse after 3:00 PM each day. On 2/23/26 at 1:00 PM, during an interview with the Director of Nursing (DON), Staff Development Nurse, and the Administrator, the DON reported the facility does not have a designated charge nurse for each tour of duty except for the 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM shift. The DON explained the facility recently lost the RN supervisor and is actively recruiting for the position. She stated the 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM charge nurse also provides treatments, such as wound care to residents. She confirmed there is no designated charge nurse for the 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM or 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM shifts.	M0225		