

Division of Health Service Regulation

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: HAL060106	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING: _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 07/09/2015
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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER

STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

THE LAURELS IN HIGHLAND CREEK

**6101 CLARKE CREEK PARKWAY
CHARLOTTE, NC 28269**

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D 000	Initial Comments The Adult Care Licensure Section and the Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services conducted an annual survey on July 8, 2015 and July 9, 2015.	D 000		
D 273	10A NCAC 13F .0902(b) Health Care 10A NCAC 13F .0902 Health Care (b) The facility shall assure referral and follow-up to meet the routine and acute health care needs of residents. This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to assure physician notification for 2 of 7 sampled residents (#4, and #5) with low heart rate and elevated blood pressure. The findings are: A. Review of Resident #4's current FL-2 dated 10/09/14 revealed diagnoses included hemiplegia, hypopotassium, hypertension, muscle weakness, esophageal reflux, aphasia and hyperlipidemia. Review of Resident #4's Resident Register revealed the resident was admitted to the facility on 11/01/13. Review of Resident #4's current assessment and care plan signed by the physician on 07/09/15 revealed documentation the resident required extensive assistance with toileting, bathing, dressing and transfers.	D 273		

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

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D 273	Continued From page 1 Review of Resident #4's record revealed: -A signed physician's order dated 02/12/15 for staff to check and record weight and vital signs early each month with the following parameters as to when to notify the physician: -If systolic blood pressure was greater than 180 or greater than 160 on three consecutive readings, systolic blood pressure was less than 110, diastolic blood pressure was greater than 105. -If heart rate was less than 55 beats per minute or greater than 105 beats per minute. -If respiratory rate was less than 12 breaths per minute or greater than 22 breaths per minute. Review of Resident #4's monthly vital sign record revealed the following heart rates outside of the normal parameters: -March 2015's documented heart rate was 42 beats per minute. -April 2015's documented heart rate was 44 beats per minute. -July 2015's documented heart rate was 52 beats per minute. Review of Resident #4's facility notes revealed: -Vital signs were obtained due to change in resident condition and documented on 03/05/15 as blood pressure 165/52 and heart rate 51, with no documentation of the physician notified. -Vital signs were obtained due to change in resident condition and documented on 04/21/15 as heart rate 45 beats per minute, with no documentation of the physician notified. Interview with a Medication Aide on 07/09/15 at 10:00 am revealed: -Personal Care Aides (PCA) were responsible for collecting the monthly vital signs. -The PCAs documented the vital signs and gave	D 273		

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D 273	Continued From page 2 them to the nurse in the wellness clinic. -If the vital signs are abnormal, it was the nurse's discretion and responsibility to notify the physician. Interview with a PCA on 07/09/15 at 10:05 am revealed: -All PCAs take monthly vital signs because we had a list of residents they are responsible for. -If the heart rate was low, "I go to the nurse and she will double check it." -"I am not sure what a low heart rate would be, I can't remember." Interview with the Supervisor on 07/09/15 at 10:10 am revealed: -First and second shift PCAs obtained monthly vital signs at the beginning of each month. -The PCAs documented the vital signs and then took them to the Supervisor. -If the vital signs were abnormal, the supervisor would recheck them and document on the vital sign record. -Nursing Supervisor was not able to locate any other vital signs documented. -A heart rate less than 52 and greater than 100 beats per minute was considered abnormal. Interview with the Physician Assistant on 07/09/15 at 10:20 am revealed: -"I was not aware of the low heart rates." -There were no office records to indicate that the facility had made the physician's office aware. -"I consider a heart rate in the 40's low and I would like to have been notified." -It was the facility's process to fax notifications to the physician's office such as falls and abnormal vital signs".	D 273			

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D 273	Continued From page 3 B. Review of Resident #5's current FL-2 dated 07/08/15 revealed: -Diagnoses included hyperlipidemia and anxiety. -An order for blood pressures twice weekly. Review of the record revealed a previous order dated 06/03/15 for blood pressures twice weekly with instructions to notify the physician for blood pressures greater than 160/90. Review of the June 2015 Medication Administration Record (MAR) revealed: -Documentation of 7 blood pressures ranging from 119/65 to 159/100. -Two blood pressures outside ordered parameters: on 06/15/15, blood pressure was 159/100 and on 06/19/15, blood pressure was 136/94. Review of the July 2015 MAR revealed two blood pressures of 132/78 and 118/74. Review of Resident #5's record revealed no documentation the physician was notified of the June blood pressures outside the ordered parameters. Interview on 07/09/15 at 3:00 pm with the Clinic Assistant revealed: -It was the responsibility of the medication aide (MA) to notify the physician of blood pressures outside ordered parameters. -There was currently no monitoring system in place to ensure the physician was notified. -The Clinic Assistant "assumed" staff were notifying the physician. Interview on 07/09/15 at 3:10 pm with the Supervisor revealed: -It was the responsibility of the MA to notify the	D 273		

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D 273	Continued From page 4 physician of blood pressures outside ordered parameters. -There was currently no monitoring system in place to ensure the physician was notified. Interview on 07/09/15 at 2:50 pm with Resident #5 revealed: -Staff checked her blood pressure "several times a week". -She had increased pressures before but her blood pressure was fine now.	D 273		