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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 355114		(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING 02 B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 04/20/2022	
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME				STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1600 VETERANS DRIVE LISBON, ND 58054			
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E 000	Initial Comments			E 000			
K 000	A recertification survey conducted on 04/20/2022 found North Dakota Veterans Home in compliance with the requirements of 483.73 Long-Term Care Facilities Emergency Preparedness. INITIAL COMMENTS This survey used the 2012 edition of NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, Chapter 19-Existing Health Care Occupancies and the 2012 edition of NFPA 99, Health Care Facilities Code in compliance with 42 CFR 483.70(a)(b). The findings that follow demonstrate noncompliance with these standards. The facility was located in a one-story building of Type II (000) construction that was protected with an automatic sprinkler system designed to meet the requirements of NFPA 13, Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems. A penthouse containing mechanical equipment was located above Sections A and D. An occupancy separation wall having a two-hour fire resistance rating provided a separation from the basic care building that was attached to the east and north sides of the building.			K 000			
K 291 SS=D	Emergency Lighting CFR(s): NFPA 101 Emergency Lighting Emergency lighting of at least 1-1/2-hour duration is provided automatically in accordance with 7.9.18.2.9.1, 19.2.9.1 This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced			K 291			5/2/22

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

Electronically Signed

05/02/2022

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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K 291	Continued From page 1 by: Testing of required emergency lighting systems shall be permitted to be conducted as follows: 1) Functional testing shall be conducted monthly, with a minimum of 3 weeks and a maximum of 5 weeks between tests, for not less than 30 seconds. 2) The test interval shall be permitted to be extended beyond 30 days with the approval of the authority having jurisdiction. 3) Functional testing shall be conducted annually for a minimum of 1½ hours if the emergency lighting system is battery powered. 4) The emergency lighting equipment shall be fully operational for the duration of the tests. 5) Written records of visual inspections and tests shall be kept by the owner for inspection by the authority having jurisdiction. 7.9.3.1.1 The facility failed to ensure the emergency lighting was in proper operating condition to provide 1½ hours of emergency illumination in the event of failure of normal lighting. Review of records indicated the facility failed to conduct a 90-minute annual test of the emergency battery back-up lights in the past year. Failure to provide emergency lighting as required increases the risk of death or injury due to fire. The deficiency affected two (2) of two (2) emergency battery back-up lights in the building.	K 291	1. The facility will conduct the testing of the backup lights by 5/2/2022. Future testing will be done according to code. Facility has all new maintenance staff who didn't understand the regulation. Will put into place a reoccurring workorder to be created to test monthly for 30 seconds. A reoccurring workorder will be created to test yearly for 90 minutes. 2. Other lighting requirements were discovered, will be tested by 5/2/2022. 3. The QAPI committee will do a quarterly review for 6 months and then a 6-month review after. 4. The QAPI committee will do a quarterly review on the back up lighting requirements. After 6 months the review will be done semi-annually 5. 5/2/2022		
K 345 SS=D	Fire Alarm System - Testing and Maintenance CFR(s): NFPA 101	K 345		5/2/22	

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K 345	Continued From page 2 Fire Alarm System - Testing and Maintenance A fire alarm system is tested and maintained in accordance with an approved program complying with the requirements of NFPA 70, National Electric Code, and NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code. Records of system acceptance, maintenance and testing are readily available. 9.6.1.3, 9.6.1.5, NFPA 70, NFPA 72 This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Health care occupancies shall be provided with a fire alarm system in accordance with Section 9.6. 19.3.4.1 A fire alarm system required for life safety shall be installed, tested, and maintained in accordance with the applicable requirements of NFPA 70, National Electrical Code and NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code. 9.6.1.3. 2010 NFPA 72, 14.1.1 The facility failed to test the fire alarm system as required. Fire alarm system batteries shall be subjected to a load voltage test semiannually. NFPA 72, 14.4.2.2 item 5(e). Review of fire alarm system test records indicated the semiannual load voltage tests of the sealed lead acid batteries were not performed as required. A load voltage test of the fire alarm system batteries was done during the annual inspection by an outside company on 04/21/2021. Records did not indicate any other load voltage test on the fire alarm system	K 345	1. The facility had annual maintenance done by a contractor that load tested fire alarm system. Due to a loss of staff the new staff overlooked the second load bank testing for the year. Load bank testing will be done by 5/2/2022. Reoccurring workorder will be created to complete a semi-annual load voltage test of fire alarm sealed lead acid batteries. 2. No residents were affected by not having load testing done. 3. The QA committee will review the load bank testing requirements quarterly and after 6 months start a semi-annual review of load bank testing. 4. The QAPI committee will review quarterly and after 6 months start semi-annual review of the system. 5. 5/2/2022		

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K 345	Continued From page 3 batteries in the past year. Failure to install, test and maintain the fire alarm system in accordance with NFPA 72 increases the risk of death or injury due to fire. This deficiency affected one (1) of two (2) required load voltage tests of the fire alarm batteries in the past year. The fire alarm system serves the entire facility.	K 345			
K 712 SS=D	Fire Drills CFR(s): NFPA 101 Fire Drills Fire drills include the transmission of a fire alarm signal and simulation of emergency fire conditions. Fire drills are held at expected and unexpected times under varying conditions, at least quarterly on each shift. The staff is familiar with procedures and is aware that drills are part of established routine. Where drills are conducted between 9:00 PM and 6:00 AM, a coded announcement may be used instead of audible alarms. 19.7.1.4 through 19.7.1.7 This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: The facility failed to conduct fire drills as required. Fire drill records review determined no fire drills were conducted on the following shifts: 1- Second shift during the fourth quarter of 2021. 2- Third shift during the third quarter in 2021. Failure to conduct fire drills as required increases the risk of death or injury due to fire.	K 712	1. During the pandemic several staff were out with covid or working the floor. Due to the shortage of staff the facility missed 2 of 12 fire drills. No resident was affected by the missed drills. Fire drills will be conducted for each shift within each quarter. 2. No other residents were affected by not having drill. 3. The facility will have the QAPI committee do a quarterly review for the		5/2/22

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K 712	Continued From page 4 The deficiency affected two (2) of twelve (12) drills in the past year.	K 712	fire drills for 6 months. After that the committee will review the drill requirements semi-annually. 4. The facility will have the QAPI committee do a quarterly review for the fire drills for 6 months. After that the committee will review the drill requirements semi-annually. 5. 5/2/2022		