



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION
8517 E Trent Ave, Ste 102, Spokane Valley, WA 99212

BROOKDALE SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES INC
Brookdale Nine Mile
5329 WEST RIFLE CLUB COURT
SPOKANE, WA 99208

RE: Brookdale Nine Mile License # 1698

Dear Administrator:

This letter addresses Compliance Determination(s) 36884 (Completion Date 02/14/2024) and 35012 (Completion Date 01/22/2024).

The Department completed a follow-up inspection of your Assisted Living Facility on 02/14/2024 and found no deficiencies. Your facility meets the Assisted Living Facility licensing requirements.

The Department found that deficiencies for the following licensing laws and regulations were corrected:

WAC 388-78A-2320-1, WAC 388-78A-2320-1-a, WAC 388-78A-2320-1-b

The Department staff who did the on-site verification:

Anne Sinclair, NCI Community Complaint Investigator

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509)993-7821.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Jenks, Field Manager
Region 1, Unit B
Residential Care Services



Residential Care Services Investigation Summary Report

Provider/Facility: Brookdale Nine Mile

Provider Type: Assisted Living Facility

License/Cert.#: 1698

Compliance Determination #: 35012

Intake ID: 112440

Investigator: Anne Sinclair

Region/Unit #: RCS Region 1 / Unit B

Investigation Date(s): 01/11/2024 through 01/22/2024

Complainant Contact Date(s): 01/08/2024, 01/22/2024

Allegation(s):

1. Staff giving non-delegable medication to a resident.

Investigation Methods:

Sample:	Total residents: 50 Resident sample size: 7 Closed records sample size: 0
Observations:	Identified resident Residents Activities Staff to resident interactions Resident to resident interactions
Interviews:	Executive Director Health and Wellness director Medtech Caregiver Residents Resident Representative
Record Reviews:	Named resident's care plan/face sheet Sample resident care plan/face sheet Named resident Medication Administration Record (December-January 2024) Medication administration policy Facility incident report Disclosure of Services Characteristic roster Staff roster

Investigation Summary:

1. Named resident received medication from staff who were unqualified to give resident their medication. Failed practice for WAC 388-78A-2320(1)(a)(b) Intermittent nursing services systems.

Conclusion / Action:

- ☒ Failed Provider Practice Identified / Citation(s) Written
- ☐ Failed Provider Practice Not Identified / No Citation Written
- ☐ N/A



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Statement of Deficiencies	License #: 1698	Compliance Determination # 35012
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You are required to be in compliance at all times with all licensing laws and regulations to maintain your Assisted Living Facility license.

The department completed data collection for an unannounced on-site complaint investigation on 01/11/2024, 01/11/2024 and 01/11/2024 of:

Brookdale Nine Mile
5329 WEST RIFLE CLUB COURT
SPOKANE, WA 99208

This document references the following complaint number(s): 111626, 111939, 112440, 113322

The following sample was selected for review during the unannounced on-site visit: 7 of 50 current residents and 0 former residents.

The department staff that investigated the Assisted Living Facility:

Anne Sinclair, NCI Community Complaint Investigator

From:
DSHS, Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
Residential Care Services, Region 1, Unit B
8517 E Trent Ave, Ste 102
Spokane Valley, WA 99212

As a result of the on-site visit(s), the department found that you are not in compliance with the licensing laws and regulations as stated in the cited deficiencies in the enclosed report.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "S. M.".

Residential Care Services

01/26/2024

Date

I understand that to maintain an Assisted Living Facility license, the facility must be in compliance with all the licensing laws and regulations at all times.

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02-05-2024

01/29/2024
Date

Administrator (or Representative)

WAC 388-78A-2320 Intermittent nursing services systems.

(1) When an assisted living facility provides intermittent nursing services to any resident, either directly or indirectly, the assisted living facility must:

(a) Develop and implement systems that support and promote the safe practice of nursing for each resident; and

(b) Ensure the requirements of chapters 18.79 RCW and 246-840 WAC are met.

This requirement was not met as evidenced by:

Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure injectable medication was administered by qualified staff for 1 of 7 sampled residents (Resident 1). This failure resulted in unsafe nursing practice for Resident 1 and placed residents at risk of harm.

Findings included...

Per WAC 246-840-910, registered nurse delegators shall not delegate the following care tasks: Administration of medications by injection with the exception of insulin injections.

Review of Resident 1's Negotiated Service Agreement, dated 12/04/2023, showed they were diagnosed with [REDACTED], and required assistance with medication administration.

Review of Resident 1's Medication Administration Record (MAR), dated December 2023, showed Resident 1 was started on enoxaparin (injectable medication used to prevent blood clots) on 12/29/2023 for 11 consecutive days. Further review of the MAR showed that Staff B, Medtech, administered Resident 1's medication two times in December 2023.

Review of Resident 1's January 2024 MAR showed Staff B administered Resident 1's enoxaparin medication four times in January. Further review showed that Staff C, Medtech, administered Resident 1's enoxaparin medication four times in January.

In interview on 01/11/2024 at 10:53AM, Staff B stated that they did know that enoxaparin injections were not a nurse delegated task. Staff B stated that Staff A, Health and Wellness Director had instructed Staff B and Staff C to administer the enoxaparin injections to Resident 1.

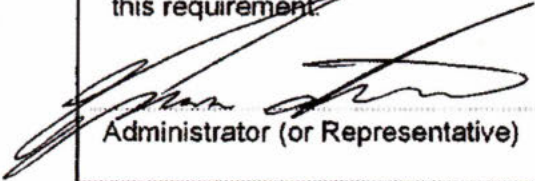
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In an interview on 01/16/2024 at 3:10PM, Staff A stated that they were informed by Staff D, Business Office Coordinator, that enoxaparin injections could be nurse delegated and administered by Medtechs. Staff A stated that they instructed Staff B and Staff C to administer enoxaparin injections to Resident 1. Staff A further stated that both they and Staff D had not reviewed the Washington Administrative Code related to nurse delegation.

Plan/Attestation Statement

I hereby certify that I have reviewed this report and have taken or will take active measures to correct this deficiency. By taking this action, Brookdale Nine Mile is or will be in compliance with this law and / or regulation on (Date) 02/05/2024.

In addition, I will implement a system to monitor and ensure continued compliance with this requirement.


Administrator (or Representative)

01/29/2024
Date