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S 000	Initial Comments Facility Reported Incident Investigation of 9/21/20/IL127176.	S 000		
S9999	Final Observations Statement of Licensure Violations: 300.610a) 300.1210b) 300.1210c)2) 300.1210d)6) 300.3240a) Section 300.610 Resident Care Policies a) The facility shall have written policies and procedures, governing all services provided by the facility which shall be formulated by a Resident Care Policy Committee consisting of at least the administrator, the advisory physician or the medical advisory committee and representatives of nursing and other services in the facility. These policies shall be in compliance with the Act and all rules promulgated thereunder. These written policies shall be followed in operating the facility and shall be reviewed at least annually by this committee, as evidenced by written, signed and dated minutes of such a meeting. Section 300.1210 General Requirements for Nursing and Personal Care b) The facility shall provide the necessary care and services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychological well-being of the resident, in accordance with	S9999	Attachment A Statement of Licensure Violations	

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 2:26 pm, V3 (Dietary Manager) stated, "We are in Phase One with dining."</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 3:25 pm, V2 (Director of Nursing/DON) stated, "We cannot go to Phase Two until the County COVID numbers fall below ten percent for two consecutive weeks, so all residents eat in their rooms. Some residents that require supervision for altered diets will eat in their doorway, or if they require feeding, then a Certified Nursing Assistant/CNA will go to their room and feed them."</p> <p>R1's Dietary Initial/Quarterly/Annual Notes, dated 9/8/20, document that R1 readmitted to the facility on 9/7/20 with a diagnoses including Dysphasia, Dementia with Behavioral Disturbance, Metabolic Encephalopathy and Pneumonitis due to Inhalation of Food and Vomit. The Notes also document that R1 was on a Mechanical Soft diet and required Supervision Assistance with eating. The Notes also document that R1 was to receive a pudding snack at 2:00 pm.</p> <p>R1's Dietary Assessment, dated 9/9/20, documents a swallowing issue of "Holding food in mouth/cheeks or residual food in mouth after meals."</p> <p>R1's Speech Therapy Plan of Care, dated 9/8/20, documents that R1's current level of swallow function as "Patient utilizes swallow strategies/precautions in fifty percent of the trials." and that R1 was receiving Speech Therapy for swallowing dysfunction and/or oral feeding.</p> <p>R1's Speech Therapy Note, dated 9/9/20, documents that V6 (Speech Therapist) reviewed aspiration precautions with R1 and R1 "Did not follow strategies for small bites and slow pace</p>	S9999		

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>given maximum prompting in any trials."</p> <p>R1's Speech Therapy Note, dated 9/14/20, documents that "Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) reported to (V6) that (R1) had been 'chugging' drinks during lunch and that (V6) noted occasional coughing from down the hall while patient was eating lunch. Patient independently recalled swallowing strategies during review but becomes impulsive at times and will not use."</p> <p>R1's Speech Therapy Note, dated 9/15/20, documents that "Nurse expressed concerns about increased coughing during meals and coughing up phlegm. Nurse notes that patient eats and drinks with quick pace outside of therapy sessions" and that R1 was inconsistent with implementation.</p> <p>R1's Speech Therapy Note, dated 9/18/20, documents that concerns were reported "About increased coughing and wet quality of coughing to nurse."</p> <p>R1's current Care Plan documents: to place R1 in common area for snacks due to potential behavior with Dementia; to cue, reorient and supervise as needed for cognitive function related to Dementia; to provide and serve diet as ordered and that snacks will be consumed safely; and to monitor and report signs of Dysphagia, pocketing, choking, coughing, holding food in mouth and several attempts at swallowing.</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 3:15 pm, V12 (Resident Assistant) stated, "The resident's get snacks from the kitchen at 10:00 am, 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. They usually come out with their names on them."</p> <p>On 9/22/20 at 3:18 pm, V11 (Certified Nursing</p>	S9999		

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>Assistant) stated, "Whoever is the float, hands the snacks out. The snacks come out with assigned stickers and the resident room number. If someone is a special diet and they do not want their snack, we have to ask the nurse before giving an alternate."</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 2:15 pm, V4 (Certified Nursing Assistant/CNA) stated, "I came onto shift on 9/21/20 at 2:00 pm and immediately started handing out the 2:00 pm snacks to the residents on (R1's) hall. R1 got a peanut butter and jelly sandwich about 2:50 pm or 2:55 pm. She did not have a snack with a dietary label on it, so I gave her the peanut butter and jelly sandwich as she requested. I continued to pass snacks down the hallway, to the other residents, and at about 3:05 pm, (V7/Physical Therapy Assistant) came to me and told me to get a nurse because R1 was choking. I ran and got V8 (Licensed Practical Nurse/LPN). About 10 to 15 minutes went by from the time I gave her the sandwich until the time she she was observed choking. I did not see her choking until (V7) came and got me and was not aware that she had been experiencing any swallowing issues."</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 2:00 pm, V7 (Physical Therapy Assistant/PTA) stated, "I was doing therapy with another resident right across the hallway from (R1). On 9/21/20, at about 3:05 pm, I happened to look out the doorway and (R1) did not look right at all, I could tell something was wrong. I ran across the hallway to check on (R1) and asked if (R1) was okay, and (R1) told me, in a whisper, 'I am choking.'" I kind of panicked and set her forward and pounded on (R1's) back. I then got (V4/CNA) and told (V4) that (R1) was choking and (V4) went and got (V8). Then the nurses took over."</p>	S9999		

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 6</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 2:24 pm, V8 (Licensed Practical Nurse/LPN) stated, "On 9/21/20, at about 3:05 pm or 3:10 pm, I was alerted by (V4) that (R1) was choking. We immediately started the Heimlich Maneuver. It was very difficult to do because (R1) was a large lady. I did scoop (R1's) mouth and throat and had a small amount of bread and peanut butter on my glove afterwards. Then (R1's) skin became discolored, (R1) went unconscious and I did not feel a pulse, so we laid (R1) on the floor and began Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation/CPR and suctioning to try and expel the debris and establish an airway until the paramedics came. It was unsuccessful and the paramedics declared her expired at 3:36 pm."</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 1:50 pm, V13 (Registered Nurse/RN) stated, "On 9/21/20, a little after 3:00 pm, I was in my office on C Hall and overheard something going on down the hall. I came out of my office and saw the crash cart and a couple nurses down the hallway by (R1's) room. They were performing the Heimlich and then (R1) went unresponsive and they lowered (R1) to the floor and started CPR. (R1) was on speech therapy for swallowing issues. (R1) did not sit in the supervised dining room because of COVID, we sat (R1) in the doorway of (R1's) room for meals and snack time."</p> <p>On 9/23/20, at 3:30 pm, V13 (RN/Minimum Data Set/MDS Nurse) stated, "(R1) was supervision for meals according to the documentation from staff for the MDS. There are two CNA's down the hallway and sometimes a float but not all resident's can be supervised at all times during meals and snacks."</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 2:26 pm, V3 (Dietary Manager)</p>	S9999		

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 7</p> <p>stated, "Resident that are feeders or supervision are not sitting in the dining room due to COVID. I know (R1) was working with (V6/Speech Therapy). She was working on getting on a regular diet and back on thin liquids. (R1) needed reminded to slow down because she was a fast eater. We individually label the snacks with resident names and also send out extra for alternatives. We base who gets a snack on if that resident tells me they are hungry between meals, or if I have orders or recommendations from Dietician, Speech Therapy or the Doctor. The CNA's should know the resident's diets."</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 2:07 pm, V8 (Speech Therapist) stated, "(R1) was a readmission after multiple hospitalizations for Aspiration Pneumonia, Urinary Tract Infections and Encephalopathy. (R1) has been mechanical soft diet through all of those admissions and we trialed thin liquids. (R1) was always in the Supervised Dining Room prior to COVID restrictions because (R1) needed supervision. I believe (R1) was to be receiving a pudding snack at 2:00 pm and not a peanut butter sandwich. (R1) still had recommendations for supervision with swallowing, (R1) was impulsive and needed reminders to slow down. I observed (R1) eating in the doorway to (R1's) room multiple times and even saw (R1) coughing.</p> <p>R1's Nursing Note, dated 9/15/20 and 9/18/20, does not document notification or monitoring of R1's swallowing and coughing issues per V6's (Speech Therapist) notes. R1's Medical Record dated 9/15/20 through 9/18/20, does not document coughing or choking monitoring of R1 per V6's recommendation.</p> <p>On 9/22/20, at 3:12 pm, V2 (DON) stated, "We always gave (R1's) food in the doorway of the</p>	S9999		

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