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S 000	Initial Comments Annual Licensure Survey	S 000		
S9999	Final Observations Statement of Licensure Violations: 1 of 2 340.1900 e) 340.1950 a) Section 340.1900 Food Service Staff e) Food service personnel shall be in good health and shall practice hygienic food handling techniques and good personal grooming. Section 340.1950 Food Preparation and Service a) Every facility shall comply with the Department's rules entitled "Food Service Sanitation" (77 Ill. Adm. Code 750). These REQUIREMENTS are not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to change gloves and perform hand hygiene during meal service preparation and failed to ensure food was covered while being transported throughout the facility. This failure has the potential to affect all 87 residents who currently reside in the facility except R5 who is NPO (Nothing by Mouth). Findings include: The facility's "Handwashing" Dietary Policy, dated 6/1/14, states, "To ensure proper sanitation safety	S9999	Attachment A Statement of Licensure Violations	

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>covered. V6 stated V6 should have covered the food before leaving the dining area.</p> <p>On 9/13/23 at 10:38 AM, V5 (Dietary Manager) stated V6 should not have touched food directly with V6's soiled gloves and V6 should not have transported residents' food throughout the facility without a covering. V5 stated the dietary staff was just re-educated on all this a couple months ago. V5 stated, "They know better."</p> <p>The Resident Census and Conditions of Residents, signed and dated by V12 (Minimum Data Set Assessment Coordinator) on 9/12/23 documents 87 residents currently reside in the facility.</p> <p>(C) 2 of 2</p> <p>340.1300 a) 340.1505 g)</p> <p>Section 340.1300 Facility Policies a) The facility shall have written policies and procedures governing all services provided by the facility. The written policies and procedures shall be formulated with the involvement of the administrator. The policies shall comply with the Act and this Part. The written policies shall be followed in operating the facility and shall be reviewed at least annually by the facility's advising physician or the medical advisory committee, as evidenced by a dated signature.</p> <p>Section 340.1505 Medical, Nursing and Restorative Services g) All necessary precautions shall be taken to assure that the resident's environment remains as free of accident hazards as possible. All</p>	S9999		

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S9999	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>nursing personnel shall evaluate residents to see that each resident receives adequate supervision and assistance to prevent accidents.</p> <p>This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by:</p> <p>Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to ensure one confused, independently ambulatory resident with dementia (R6) was wearing appropriate footwear of two residents reviewed for falls in a sample of eight. This failure resulted in R6 suffering from a subdural hematoma, staples to R6's head, and a nasal fracture.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>The facility's Falls policy, dated 5/9/19, documents "Policy: It is the policy of this facility that all residents reside in a safe environment. All steps will be taken to protect the resident from falls and injury."</p> <p>R6's current Physician Order Sheet/POS documents R6 has diagnoses including Dementia and Traumatic Subdural Hemorrhage.</p> <p>R6's Minimum Data Set/MDS assessment, dated 6/20/23, documents R6 is moderately cognitively impaired, requires extensive assist with one person physical assist for dressing, and is independent without physical help from staff for locomotion on the unit.</p> <p>R6's current Care Plan documents R6 is at risk for falls and includes interventions of "Ensure that the resident is wearing appropriate footwear when ambulating. Date Initiated: 10/03/2018" and "Review information on past falls and attempt to determine cause of falls. Record possible root</p>	S9999		
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S9999	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>causes. Alter/remove any potential causes if possible."</p> <p>R6's Progress Note, dated 8/20/23, documents "At (9:00pm), resident observed lying on the floor, in the dining area close to the TV. Head leaning on the linen hamper. Small amount of blood from his head noted."</p> <p>R6's "Fall Occurrence Report Investigation," undated, documents R6's fall on 8/20/23 resulted in a 2 cm (centimeter) laceration on the back of R6's head.</p> <p>R6's Follow-up report to incident sent to State Agency on 8/20/23, dated 8/24/23, documents "Description of Incident: On Sunday August 20, 2023, at 9pm (R6) was observed on the floor in the (named memory care unit) dining room near the TV with his head resting on a linen hamper." This report also includes "Environmental assessment revealed: The floor was dry and lighting was adequate. Resident was ambulating independently. Resident was wearing shoes and non-skid socks, shoes noted to be ill-fitting." This report also documents conclusions that include "Resident did not have shoes that fit appropriately."</p> <p>R6's "CT (Computed tomography) Head or Brain without contrast Impression: 1. Small thin subdural hemorrhage along the falx without mass effect and a maximal thickness of 5mm (millimeters)" and "4. Stapled scalp laceration at the posterior convexity."</p> <p>The facility's "Witness Narrative Statement," dated 8/20/23, by V8, Veteran Nurse Assistant Certified/VNAC, documents R6 fell while walking toward the dining room wearing shoes that were</p>	S9999		

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