

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER / SUPPLIER / CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER <b>455718</b>	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING _____ B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED <b>07/29/2020</b>
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F 0880  <b>Level of harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</b>  <b>Residents Affected - Some</b>	<p><b>Provide and implement an infection prevention and control program.</b> <b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to maintain an infection prevention and control program designed to provide a safe, sanitary and comfortable environment and to help prevent the development and transmission of communicable diseases and infections for 2 of 11 Employees (ADM and DON) observed for infection control and prevention practices. - ADM failed to wear a mask or face covering while inside the facility during the COVID-19 pandemic despite local and state mandates to do so, and guidance from the CDC. - DON failed to wear a mask or face covering while inside the facility during the COVID-19 pandemic despite local and state mandates to do so, and guidance from the CDC. - The facility doffing procedure for the COVID-19 positive area of the facility was for staff to remove their mask or N-95 respirator while still inside the building and not don another mask or face covering until retrieving another one while re-entering the building. This procedure allowed for staff to be without a mask or face covering while in the break room for the COVID-19 positive area staff, while exiting the building through a hallway, and while in the parking lot. This failure has the potential to affect residents by placing them at an increased and unnecessary risk of exposure to communicable diseases and infections. Findings include: During an observation on 07/29/2020 at 10:18 AM, the ADM was standing in his office and was not wearing or holding a mask or face covering of any kind. ADM was not currently partaking of or holding a food or beverage item. There was a mask lying on a desk in the room a few feet away from the ADM's position, which he retrieved and placed on his face upon noticing the surveyor's presence. During an observation and interview with the DON on 07/29/2020 at 12:00 PM, there was a hallway designated for COVID-19 positive residents. At the end of that hallway were two plastic partition curtains that created a sally port. Inside the sally port was an entrance to a room containing trash receptacles. The DON reported that the room was designated as the PPE doffing area for staff of the COVID-19 positive wing. The DON removed all his PPE in the room including his mask and was without a mask or face covering. DON walked back into the sally port and exited through the side opposite of the COVID-19 positive area. On that side of the sally port was a stretch of hallway that led to an exit door and a break room. The DON reported that the break room was for the staff of the COVID-19 positive wing. The DON traversed the hallway and exited the building into the parking lot and was still without any type of mask or face covering. DON remained without a mask or face covering in the parking lot of the facility until he walked around the side of the building and retrieved one from the front of the building. When the DON was asked if it is his expectation for staff to remove their face covering, mask, or N-95 respirator in that doffing room while still inside the building, he stated, Yes, they have to doff all of their PPE. The DON continued to report that staff are to don a new face covering or mask after they retrieve one during the process of, but before, re-entering the building. During an interview with the ADM and DON on 07/29/2020 at 12:22 PM, they were asked when and where staff are expected to be wearing a face covering or mask. The DON initially replied, everybody everywhere. When they were asked if there are any parts of the facility where it is okay for staff not to wear a face covering or mask, the ADM stated, I would say the break room where they eat. The DON stated, yes, the break room and where they doff. The ADM was asked specifically about his office and, about the surveyor's earlier observation, he claimed that he was only without a mask briefly. The ADM continued to report that his office is far away from other people and residents, and he likes to keep a drink at his desk. Record review of facility provided policy titled COVID 19 Plan, not dated, revealed in part: Limiting the Transmission of COVID-19 in this Facility This facility will also: Review CDC guidance for Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Patients with Confirmed Coronavirus Disease 2019: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html</a> Suspected Case(s) of COVID in the Facility The facility will periodically review specific IPC guidance for healthcare facilities caring for residents with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 (available here: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html</a>) and additional long-term care guidance (available here: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/healthcare-facilities/prevent-spread-in-long-term-carefacilities.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/healthcare-facilities/prevent-spread-in-long-term-carefacilities.html</a> Record review of CDC web page titled Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Healthcare Personnel During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic, dated 07/15/2020, as mentioned by the facility policy as accessible at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/infection-control/control-recommendations.html</a>, revealed in part: Implement Universal Source Control Measures HCP should wear a facemask at all times while in the healthcare facility, including in breakrooms or other spaces where they might encounter co-workers. Definitions: Healthcare Personnel (HCP): HCP refers to all paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials, including body substances (e.g., blood, tissue, and specific body fluids); contaminated medical supplies, devices, and equipment; contaminated environmental surfaces; or contaminated air. HCP include, but are not limited to, emergency medical service personnel, nurses, nursing assistants, physicians, technicians, therapists, phlebotomists, pharmacists, students and trainees, contractual staff not employed by the healthcare facility, and persons not directly involved in patient care, but who could be exposed to infectious agents that can be transmitted in the healthcare setting (e.g., clerical, dietary, environmental services, laundry, security, engineering and facilities management, administrative, billing, and volunteer personnel). Record review of document titled Executive Order by the Governor of the State of Texas, Executive Order GA 29, dated 07/02/2020, and retrieved from <a href="https://open.texas.gov/uploads/files/organization/opentexas/EO-GA-29-use-of-face-coverings-during-COVID-19-IMAGE-07-02-2020.pdf">https://open.texas.gov/uploads/files/organization/opentexas/EO-GA-29-use-of-face-coverings-during-COVID-19-IMAGE-07-02-2020.pdf</a>, revealed in part: NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective at 12:01 p.m. on July 3, 2020: Every person in Texas shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth when inside a commercial entity or other building or space open to the public, or when in an outdoor public space, whenever it is not feasible to maintain six feet of social distancing from another person not in the same household; Record review of document titled Third Amendment to the Fourth Local Emergency Directive by the Mayor of the City of El Paso, Texas, dated 07/02/2020, and retrieved from <a href="http://epstrong.org/documents/covid19/2020.07.02%20Third%20Amendment%20to%20Fourth%20Local%20Emergency%20Directive.pdf">http://epstrong.org/documents/covid19/2020.07.02%20Third%20Amendment%20to%20Fourth%20Local%20Emergency%20Directive.pdf</a>, revealed in part: Now therefore, be it proclaimed by the mayor of the city of El Paso, Texas pursuant to the authority vested by the Texas Government code chapter 418, hereby find and direct: b. Face Covering Requirements. Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of [MEDICAL CONDITION]. Therefore, every person in El Paso shall wear some form of face covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana, or handkerchief, when inside a commercial entity or other building or space open to the public, or when in an outdoor public space, whenever it is not feasible to maintain six feet of social distancing from another person not in the same household; Record review of document titled City of El Paso Health Authority Order for Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities, dated 07/27/2020, and retrieved from</p>		
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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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