## STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION

**NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER:** MURPHY MEDICAL CENTER  
**STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:** 4130 US HWY 64 EAST, MURPHY, NC 28906  
**DATE SURVEY COMPLETED:** 10/30/2014

| ID | PREFIX | TAG | SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL REGULATORY OR LSC IDENTIFYING INFORMATION) | ID | PREFIX | TAG | PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION (EACH CORRECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE CROSS-REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE DEFICIENCY) | COMPLETION DATE |
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| F 371 | SS=E | 483.35(i) FOOD PROCURE, STORE/PREPARE/SERVE - SANITARY | | F 371 | | | 11/27/14 |

- **The facility must** -  
  1. Procure food from sources approved or considered satisfactory by Federal, State or local authorities; and  
  2. Store, prepare, distribute and serve food under sanitary conditions

- **This REQUIREMENT** is not met as evidenced by:  
  - Based on observations and staff interviews, the facility failed to seal and date open food items in the freezer, refrigerator and dry storage areas, failed to clean the circulating fans and ceiling of the walk in refrigerator, and failed to clean and dry food preparation equipment prior to storage for food preparation.

- **The findings included:**  
  - During the tour of the kitchen on 10/27/14 at 11:54 AM the dry food storage area, freezer and refrigerators were observed and food preparation equipment was inspected. The Food Service Director (FSD) was present during all kitchen observations. During the initial tour of the kitchen on 10/27/14 at 11:54 AM the dry food storage area, freezer, refrigerators, and food prep areas were observed as follows:
    - 1. On 10/27/14 at 11:54 AM observation was made of dietary staff removing lunch food items from the steam table and cold bar in the kitchenette area of the main dining room and

- **The corrective action will be accomplished for those residents having potential to be affected by the same deficient practice:**  
  1. All food items in the cooler, freezer and dry storage area were covered, labeled, and dated on 10/27-14
  2. All meat bins were labeled with thaw/expiration dates on 10/27
  3. The two knives and food processor blade found at the time of the inspection were thoroughly cleaned and inspected before returning to service on 10/27/14.
  4. All knives and food processor blades were inspected for cleanliness on 10/27/14

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**LABORATORY DIRECTOR’S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE’S SIGNATURE**  
**DATE**  
Electronically Signed  
11/18/2014

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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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transporting them into the kitchen for storage in
the refrigerator. One tray contained individual
melon fruit cups which were in covered bowls
over ice and were not dated. There were 5
stainless steel square serving dishes which
contained macaroni salad, potato salad, sliced
tomatoes, onions, and lettuce which were
covered with plastic wrap but were not dated. The
dietary staff placed these items on a cart and
transported them to the kitchen. At 12:38 PM the
melon fruit cups, and stainless steel square
serving dishes containing the macaroni salad,
potato salad, sliced tomatoes, and onions,
and lettuce were observed on a shelf in the
refrigerator and remained not dated. The FSD
was present at the time and verified they were not
dated. The FSD left the refrigerator and returned
with dated labels and placed them on the food
items and stated the dietary staff should have
dated them prior to storing them in the
refrigerator.

2. On 10/27/14 at 11:54 AM the undated,
unlabeled and unsealed items in the refrigerator
were observed as follows:

a. Thirteen undated plastic wrapped raw meat
roasts called flat meats were observed. 9 undated
raw roasts were in one plastic tub and 4 undated
raw roasts were in a 2nd tub. All 13 of the raw
meat roasts were 10 - 15 pounds each were
wrapped in the original plastic wrappers that had
no date, were removed from the original shipping
cartons, and were placed in plastic tubs which
had no dates on the tubs or on the racks in the
refrigerator.

b. One 20 pound bag of raw chicken parts
opened, not sealed and not dated in a plastic tub

5) Cooler fans, ceiling, walls and light
fixtures were cleaned on 10/29/14
6) Dietary staff were educated on
deficient areas by Pam Barmore, Director
of Food and Nutrition Services on
10/28/14

* The measures that will be put into
place or systemic changes made to
ensure that the deficient practice will not
occur:
1) Management checks of cooler,
freezer and dry storage area for
uncovered, unlabeled and undated food
items will be preformed weekly and as
unannounced random checks.
2) Food labels and tie wraps have been
placed at the point of use.
3) Cleaning of cooler/freezer ceiling,
walls, and light fixtures have been added
to the monthly cleaning schedule.
4) Management audit sheets have been
revised to include auditing the cooler and
freezer fans, ceilings, walls and light
fixtures for cleanliness. Audits will be
performed weekly and as unannounced random
checks. To begin 11/14/14
5) Management audit sheets have been
revised to include labeling of meat bins
and covering/labeling/dating of all opened
food items. Audits will be performed
weekly and as unannounced random
checks. To begin 11/14/14
6) Procedure for inspection and signing
off cleaning assignments of knives and
food processor blades added to job duties
of diet aides and cooks. Visual cues have
been posted at the appropriate stations on
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with other sealed bags of chicken.

c. Two - 20 pound bags of unopened raw chicken parts without dated labels in an undated plastic tub.

d. Two trays of raw chick leg drumsticks were not sealed in the refrigerator. Both trays were covered with brown parchment paper with the chicken opened around all the edges and exposed to the air showing 1 to 1 1/2 inches of the raw chicken on all four sides.

e. Eight wrapped 10 pound turkey breasts removed from the original packing carton were not dated on the packaged turkey breasts and were not dated on the plastic tub they were stored in.

f. One 3 pound bag of grated parmesan cheese opened without dated label.

g. One opened 5 pound bag of dried cranberries not sealed and not dated.

h. Thirty four bowls of purred fruit in lidded bowls on two trays were undated.

i. One hundred bowls of prepared desserts in lidded bowls on three trays were not dated.

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An interview was conducted with the Food Service Director (FSD) on 10/30/14 at 2:00 PM. The FSD stated she was not aware the items in the refrigerator were opened, not sealed and not dated. The FSD explained that meats and poultry were normally placed in plastic tubs in the refrigerator for thawing before use and should have been dated on the front of the tub when they


7) Knives will be stored on a magnetic storage bar to accommodate visual inspection.

8) Frequency of preventative maintenance/cleaning schedule of cooler fans has been increase to 3 times per year.

9) All open food will be sealed with plastic wrap, Ziploc bag or other lidded container. Visual cues have been posted by the freezer door, the cooler door and the storage room. Further detailed education planned for 11/20/14.

10) Employees completing the daily cleaning assignment sheet will be required to initial the form instead of check marks to facilitate accountability.

11) Orientation of new employees will include the procedures outlined above.

12) Annual training of the above procedures will be implemented.

* The facility plans to monitor its performance to make sure that solutions are sustained and effective by:

1) Dietary supervisor to audit the Daily Cleaning assignments sheets weekly.

2) Dietary supervisor will perform weekly and random unannounced inspections for compliance of covering, labeling and dating of opened food items, cleanliness of fans, ceilings, walls, knives and food processor blades for 90 days or until substantial compliance achieved.

3) The results of the inspections will be reviewed with the Food Service Manager.
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were removed from the original packaging cartons. She further explained that any individual bag used from the tubs or packages of meat, poultry or food item that were opened should have been resealed and dated with the open date and use by date. The FSD revealed any food item taken from the original dated carton should have been labeled and dated. The FSD verified the food items observed in the refrigerator were not properly sealed, labeled and dated. The FSD further verified that prepared foods such as desserts and salads brought into the refrigerator should have been sealed and dated. The FSD stated that it was her expectation for all food items in the refrigerators should have been securely wrapped, sealed and dated.

3. On 10/27/14 at 11:54 AM foods observed in the freezer were opened, unsealed, undated as follows:

a. One opened 10 pound bag of country fired steak was unsealed and undated.

b. One opened 10 pound bag of chicken breasts was unsealed and undated.

c. One lone pound bag of sweet potatoes fries was unsealed and undated.

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4) The results will be analyzed and reported in the monthly QAPI meetings for 3 months or until substantial compliance achieved. Any trends or deficiency will be addressed by the QAPI team at this time.

* The corrective action will be completed by:

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<td>b. One food processor blade with dried food substance on it stored in a large plastic tub which contained other food processor parts and blades.</td>
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<td>6. On 10/27/14 at 12:38 PM during a tour of the refrigerators and freezers observed 4 circulating fans in the walk in refrigerator with dirt on the fans cages and dust on ceiling and wall just above the fans at ceiling level.</td>
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<td>During an observation on 10/29/14 at 10:19 AM the refrigerator fans and ceiling were observed to remain dirty. The FSD observed the 4 circulation fan cages and acknowledged there was dirt present on the fan cages in the refrigerator, on the ceiling and on the wall above the fans at ceiling level. The FSD stated it was her expectation that the fans and ceiling should be dirt free and in good repair. The FSD further explained the cleaning of the refrigerator and freezer should be on a cleaning schedule and kept clean and free of dust and dirt.</td>
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<td>items should be properly wrapped, securely sealed, labeled, and dated when opened and placed in the refrigerators, freezers and dry storage. The NHA stated it was her expectation that all refrigerators, coolers, and freezers and kitchen preparation equipment should be cleaned and kept free of dirt, dust and food substances and in operating order.</td>
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<td>483.75(o)(1) QAA COMMITTEE-MEMBERS/MEET QUARTERLY/PLANS</td>
<td>A facility must maintain a quality assessment and assurance committee consisting of the director of nursing services; a physician designated by the facility; and at least 3 other members of the facility's staff. The quality assessment and assurance committee meets at least quarterly to identify issues with respect to which quality assessment and assurance activities are necessary; and develops and implements appropriate plans of action to correct identified quality deficiencies. A State or the Secretary may not require disclosure of the records of such committee except insofar as such disclosure is related to the compliance of such committee with the requirements of this section. Good faith attempts by the committee to identify and correct quality deficiencies will not be used as a basis for sanctions. This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced</td>
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Based on observations, record reviews, and staff interviews the facility's Quality Assessment and Assurance Committee failed to maintain implemented procedures and monitor interventions that the committee had previously put into place. This failure related to one deficiency which was originally cited during the facility's 08/01/13 recertification survey, and was recited during the facility's current recertification survey. The recited deficiency was in the area of food storage/sanitation. The Facility's continued failure during two consecutive recertification surveys shows a pattern of the facility's inability to sustain an effective Quality Assurance Program.

Findings included:

This tag is cross referred to:
1. F 371: Food Procurement: Based on observations and staff interviews, the facility failed to seal and date open food items in the freezer, refrigerator, and dry storage areas, failed to clean the circulating fans and ceiling of the walk in refrigerator, and failed to clean and dry food preparation equipment prior to storage for food preparation.

During the recertification survey of 10/30/14 the facility was cited for failing to seal and date open food items in the freezer, refrigerator, and dry storage areas. The facility failed to clean the circulating fans and ceiling of the walk in refrigerator, and failed to clean and dry food preparation equipment prior to storage.

During the recertification survey of 08/01/13 the facility failed to seal a container of hard boiled eggs, discard expired vanilla pudding, remove crusted food spills on the bottom of a convection oven.
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oven, discard an opened bottle of syrup, and replace a crusted microwave oven.

On 10/30/14 at 4:00 PM an interview with the Administrator and the Food Service Director was conducted about the facility's Quality Assessment and Assurance (QAA) Committee. The Administrator revealed the facility's QAA committee meetings were held monthly, and the plan of correction related to the previous recertification survey completed on 08/01/13 was being monitored by way of checks and audits. She further revealed there are at least 2 Quality Improvement plans in place currently which include, daily cleaning checks and audits to check labels and out of date items, and sanitizing surfaces. The administrator verified that all audits had shown no issues to this point in time, and does not know why there were unlabeled items, dirty equipment, and dirty surfaces found.

monitoring process of the individual departments, contracted or arranged provider and suppliers of care and services it will be forward to the QAPI committee for review, plan of action and monitoring of corrective action.

* The facility plans to monitor its performance to make sure that solutions are sustained and effective by:
  1) Participation by individual departments, contracted or arranged provider and suppliers of care and services will be monitored and enforced by the Administrator.

* The corrective action will be completed by:
  1) Corrective action will be complete by 11/27/14