

Division of Health Service Regulation

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: MHL001-277	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 02/22/2024
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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER ABUNDANT CARE HOMES, LLC	STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1009-A EAST WEBB AVENUE BURLINGTON, NC 27215
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V 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>An annual survey was completed on February 22, 2024. Deficiencies were cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G .5600C Supervised Living for Adults with Developmental Disability.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for 6 and currently has a census of 4. The survey sample consisted of audits of 3 current clients.</p>	V 000		
V 290	<p>27G .5602 Supervised Living - Staff</p> <p>10A NCAC 27G .5602 STAFF</p> <p>(a) Staff-client ratios above the minimum numbers specified in Paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of this Rule shall be determined by the facility to enable staff to respond to individualized client needs.</p> <p>(b) A minimum of one staff member shall be present at all times when any adult client is on the premises, except when the client's treatment or habilitation plan documents that the client is capable of remaining in the home or community without supervision. The plan shall be reviewed as needed but not less than annually to ensure the client continues to be capable of remaining in the home or community without supervision for specified periods of time.</p> <p>(c) Staff shall be present in a facility in the following client-staff ratios when more than one child or adolescent client is present:</p> <p>(1) children or adolescents with substance abuse disorders shall be served with a minimum of one staff present for every five or fewer minor clients present. However, only one staff need be present during sleeping hours if specified by the emergency back-up procedures determined by the governing body; or</p>	V 290		

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V 290	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>(2) children or adolescents with developmental disabilities shall be served with one staff present for every one to three clients present and two staff present for every four or more clients present. However, only one staff need be present during sleeping hours if specified by the emergency back-up procedures determined by the governing body.</p> <p>(d) In facilities which serve clients whose primary diagnosis is substance abuse dependency:</p> <p>(1) at least one staff member who is on duty shall be trained in alcohol and other drug withdrawal symptoms and symptoms of secondary complications to alcohol and other drug addiction; and</p> <p>(2) the services of a certified substance abuse counselor shall be available on an as-needed basis for each client.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record reviews and interviews, the facility failed to assess the capability for two of three audited clients (#1 and #3) to be unsupervised in the home or community. The findings are:</p> <p>Reviews on 2/21/24 and 2/22/24 of client #1's record revealed: -Admission date of 11/1/22. -Diagnoses of Decreased Intellectual Functioning, Borderline Personality Disorder, Lumbar Disc Herniation, Schizoaffective Disorder, Edema of Lower Extremities and Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease. -No documentation the facility assessed client #1's capability to have unsupervised time in the</p>	V 290		

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V 290	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>home or community.</p> <p>Reviews on 2/21/24 and 2/22/24 of client #3's record revealed: -Admission date of 11/1/22. -Diagnoses of Decreased Intellectual Functioning, Borderline Personality Disorder, Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia, Schizoaffective Disorder, Tobacco Use Disorder, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Hyperlipidemia, Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease, Neuropathy, Low Blood Pressure (upon standing) and Hypothyroidism. -No documentation the facility assessed client #3's capability to have unsupervised time in the home or community.</p> <p>Interview on 2/22/24 with client #1 revealed: -He had unsupervised time in the community. -He walked to a store in the area once a week. -He walked by himself most of the time. -He had been walking to the store in the area unsupervised for "a little over six months."</p> <p>Interview on 2/22/24 with client #3 revealed: -He goes out in the community unsupervised about once a week. -He walked to a store across the street from the facility. -He was not sure how long he had been walking to the store unsupervised.</p> <p>Interview on 2/22/24 with staff #1 revealed: -Clients #1 and #3 had unsupervised time in the community and in the home. -They walked to a store near the facility. -They walked to the store about once a week. -The store was across the street from the facility. -They were gone about 15 minutes. -Client #1's father gave approval for him to be unsupervised.</p>	V 290		

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V 290	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Qualified Professional talked with client #1's father about the unsupervised time. -The unsupervised time was approved as far as she knew. -Client #1 and #3 "really" don't use the unsupervised time in the home. -She confirmed the facility failed to assess the capability for clients #1 and #3 to have unsupervised time in the home or community. <p>Interview on 2/22/24 with the Manager revealed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -He didn't allow clients #1 and #3 to walk to the store alone whenever he worked with them. -He walked with them to the store. -He didn't know they were walking to the store unsupervised. -He recalled staff #1 saying something about client #1's father giving him permission to walk to the store. -He confirmed the facility failed to assess the capability for clients #1 and #3 to have unsupervised time in the home or community. 	V 290		