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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  <b>MHL043-102</b>	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____  B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  <b>R</b> <b>04/30/2024</b>
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V 000	<p><b>INITIAL COMMENTS</b></p> <p>An annual and follow up survey was completed on April 30, 2024. A deficiency was cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G .5600A Supervised Living for Adults with Mental Illness.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for 6 and currently has a census of 6. The survey sample consisted of audits of 3 current clients.</p>	V 000		
V 366	<p><b>27G .0603 Incident Response Requirements</b></p> <p><b>10A NCAC 27G .0603 INCIDENT RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS FOR CATEGORY A AND B PROVIDERS</b></p> <p>(a) Category A and B providers shall develop and implement written policies governing their response to level I, II or III incidents. The policies shall require the provider to respond by:</p> <p>(1) attending to the health and safety needs of individuals involved in the incident;</p> <p>(2) determining the cause of the incident;</p> <p>(3) developing and implementing corrective measures according to provider specified timeframes not to exceed 45 days;</p> <p>(4) developing and implementing measures to prevent similar incidents according to provider specified timeframes not to exceed 45 days;</p> <p>(5) assigning person(s) to be responsible for implementation of the corrections and preventive measures;</p> <p>(6) adhering to confidentiality requirements set forth in G.S. 75, Article 2A, 10A NCAC 26B, 42 CFR Parts 2 and 3 and 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164; and</p> <p>(7) maintaining documentation regarding Subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(6) of this Rule.</p> <p>(b) In addition to the requirements set forth in</p>	V 366		

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V 366	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>Paragraph (a) of this Rule, ICF/MR providers shall address incidents as required by the federal regulations in 42 CFR Part 483 Subpart I.</p> <p>(c) In addition to the requirements set forth in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, Category A and B providers, excluding ICF/MR providers, shall develop and implement written policies governing their response to a level III incident that occurs while the provider is delivering a billable service or while the client is on the provider's premises. The policies shall require the provider to respond by:</p> <p>(1) immediately securing the client record by:</p> <p>(A) obtaining the client record;</p> <p>(B) making a photocopy;</p> <p>(C) certifying the copy's completeness; and</p> <p>(D) transferring the copy to an internal review team;</p> <p>(2) convening a meeting of an internal review team within 24 hours of the incident. The internal review team shall consist of individuals who were not involved in the incident and who were not responsible for the client's direct care or with direct professional oversight of the client's services at the time of the incident. The internal review team shall complete all of the activities as follows:</p> <p>(A) review the copy of the client record to determine the facts and causes of the incident and make recommendations for minimizing the occurrence of future incidents;</p> <p>(B) gather other information needed;</p> <p>(C) issue written preliminary findings of fact within five working days of the incident. The preliminary findings of fact shall be sent to the LME in whose catchment area the provider is located and to the LME where the client resides, if different; and</p>	V 366		

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V 366	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>(D) issue a final written report signed by the owner within three months of the incident. The final report shall be sent to the LME in whose catchment area the provider is located and to the LME where the client resides, if different. The final written report shall address the issues identified by the internal review team, shall include all public documents pertinent to the incident, and shall make recommendations for minimizing the occurrence of future incidents. If all documents needed for the report are not available within three months of the incident, the LME may give the provider an extension of up to three months to submit the final report; and</p> <p>(3) immediately notifying the following:</p> <p>(A) the LME responsible for the catchment area where the services are provided pursuant to Rule .0604;</p> <p>(B) the LME where the client resides, if different;</p> <p>(C) the provider agency with responsibility for maintaining and updating the client's treatment plan, if different from the reporting provider;</p> <p>(D) the Department;</p> <p>(E) the client's legal guardian, as applicable; and</p> <p>(F) any other authorities required by law.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to implement policies for reporting/responding to level one incidents as required. The findings are:</p>	V 366		

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V 366	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>Review on 4/30/24 of client #6's record revealed: -43 year old male. -Admitted on 4/30/24. -Diagnosis of Schizophrenia.</p> <p>Review on 4/30/24 of client #6's Medication Administration Record from 2/1/24 - 4/30/24 revealed the following medication refusals: -Clozapine 25 milligram (mg) twice daily for Psychosis on 3/9/24 (AM), 3/12/24 (AM) and 3/26/24 (PM). -Clozapine 50 mg twice daily for Psychosis on 3/9/24 (AM), 3/12/24 (AM) and 3/26/24 (PM). -Lithium Carbonate ER 300 mg twice daily for Mood on 3/9/24 (AM), 3/12/24 (AM) and 3/26/24 (PM). -Metformin HCL 500 mg twice daily with lunch and supper on 3/26/24. (High Blood Pressure) -Metoprolol SCC ER 50 mg daily at 6pm on 3/25/24 an 3/26/24. (High Blood Pressure) -Polyethylene Glycol 3350 Powder every morning on 3/9/24 and 3/12/24. (Stool) -Senna 8.6 mg every morning on 3/9/24, 3/12/24. (Stool) -Vitamin D3 1000 IU tab (25 mcg) daily at 6pm on 3/26/24, 3/28/24. (Supplement)</p> <p>Client #6 was hospitalized and not available for interview. Client #6 also had an anticipated discharge date of 4/30/24.</p> <p>Interview on 4/30/24 the Licensee/Qualified Professional stated: -There were no level I incident reports for client #6's medication refusals on 3/9/24, 3/12/24, 3/25/26, 3/26/24. -Client #6 had other incident reports on 3/9/24 and 3/12/24 for his behaviors but it had not shown medication refusals.</p>	V 366		

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V 366	Continued From page 4  This deficiency constitutes a re-cited deficiency and must be corrected within 30 days.	V 366		