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NOTICE OF PROVISIONAL EXTENSION AND CONDITIONAL LICENSE

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May 28, 2026

Licensee

Better Stay Homes LLC

5237 Florida Avenue North

Crystal, MN 55428

RE: Provisional Conditional License Number 417682
Health Facility Identification Number (HFID) 40865
Project Number(s) SL40865015

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on April 1, 2026, for the purpose of assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. Based on the survey results you were found not to be in substantial compliance with the laws pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 144G.

As a result, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 144G.16, Subd. 3(b)(2), MDH is extending the provisional license for 60-days and applying conditions necessary to bring the facility into substantial compliance. The provisional license extension and conditions are due to expire **July 27, 2026**.

STATE CORRECTION ORDERS

The enclosed State Form documents the state correction orders. MDH documents state correction orders using federal software. Tag numbers are assigned to Minnesota state statutes for Assisted Living Facilities. The assigned tag number appears in the far left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state statute number and the corresponding text of the state statute out of compliance are listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings that are in violation of the state statute after the statement, "This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by . . ."

IMPOSITION OF FINES

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31, Subd. 4, fines and enforcement actions may be imposed based on the level and scope of the violations and may be imposed immediately with no opportunity to correct the violation first as follows:

Level 1: no fines or enforcement;

Level 2: a fine of \$500 per violation, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

Level 3: a fine of \$1,000 per incident, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

- Level 4: a fine of \$3,000 per incident, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;
- Level 5: a fine of \$5,000 per violation, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20.

MDH may assess fines based on the level and scope of the orders outlined below. The total amount of **potential** fines that may be assessed related to these correction orders is \$2,000.00. **MDH is not imposing these fines against your provisional license at this time.**

St - 0 - 0510 - 144g.41 Subd. 3 - Infection Control Program - \$500.00

St - 0 - 0775 - 144g.45 Subd. 2. (a) - Fire Protection And Physical Environment - \$500.00

St - 0 - 0810 - 144g.45 Subd. 2 (b-F) - Fire Protection And Physical Environment - \$1,000.00

DOCUMENTATION OF ACTION TO COMPLY

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.30, Subd. 5(c), the provisional licensee must document actions taken to comply with the correction orders and immediately correct any reissued orders outlined on the state form; however, plans of correction are not required to be submitted for approval. **If corrections are not made, MDH may impose fines as described above and in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 144G.**

The correction order documentation should include the following:

- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected related to the resident(s)/employee(s) identified in the correction order.
- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected for all of the provider's resident(s)/employees that may be affected by the noncompliance.
- Identify what changes to your systems and practices were made to ensure compliance with the specific statute(s).

CORRECTION ORDER RECONSIDERATION PROCESS

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.32, Subd. 2, you may challenge the correction order(s) issued, including the level and scope, and any fine assessed through the correction order reconsideration process. The request for reconsideration must be in writing and received by MDH within 15 calendar days of the correction order receipt date.

To submit a reconsideration request, please visit:

<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

CONDITIONAL LICENSE ISSUED:

MDH will issue Better Stay Homes LLC a conditional provisional assisted living facility license for 60 calendar days from the date of this notice. At an unannounced point in time, within the 60 calendar days, MDH will conduct a follow-up survey, as defined in Minn. Stat. § 144G.30, Subd. 6. Based on the results of the follow-up survey, MDH will determine if Better Stay Homes LLC is in substantial compliance.

The following conditions apply on the conditional provisional assisted living facility license:

- a. No new substantiated maltreatment allegations:** If any new investigations begin in the conditional provisional license period, and the allegations are substantiated, MDH may pursue additional enforcement actions up to and including immediate temporary suspension and revocation of the provisional license.
- b. No new admissions:** Better Stay Homes LLC will not admit any new residents under its conditional provisional assisted living facility license until MDH removes the “no new admissions” condition. Better Stay Homes LLC must provide the Department:
 - i. A list of the names and birthdates of any individuals Better Stay Homes LLC is currently in the process of admitting. These individuals will be able to continue the admittance process.
 - ii. A list of all current residents including:
 - 1. Name and birthdate of each resident
 - 2. Current payment source for services
 - 3. If Elderly Waiver, the name and contact information of the care coordinator/case manager
 - 4. If the resident is not able to make informed decisions, the name of their representative and how to contact the representative
- c. Monitoring visits:** MDH may make unannounced monitoring visits to assess the progress of Better Stay Homes LLC to correct the violations cited during the survey as well as to determine the overall practice of Better Stay Homes LLC in meeting the needs of the people it serves. In addition, the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care (OOLTC) may also make unannounced monitoring visits to determine the level of satisfaction of those people who receive provisional licensed assisted living services. The OOLTC will share their findings with MDH.
- d. Follow-up survey:** At the time of the follow-up survey, MDH may pursue additional enforcement actions, up to and including immediate temporary suspension or revocation of the provisional license if MDH identifies any level 3, 4 or 5 violations or widespread care related violations.
- e. Corrective Action Plan:** Better Stay Homes LLC will develop and work within a corrective action plan (CAP). The CAP is a working document that includes at least the following information:
 - i. A statement of the concern
 - ii. A description of what will happen to correct the concern
 - iii. A target date for when each correction will be complete
 - iv. Who is responsible to make sure it happens

- v. Current status of correction work
- vi. Description of a plan to monitor and ensure ongoing substantial compliance for each corrected order

RESULTS OF FOLLOW-UP EVALUATION DURING THE CONDITIONAL PROVISIONAL LICENSE PERIOD:

MDH will determine if Better Stay Homes LLC is in substantial compliance based on the results of the follow up survey. MDH will make this determination within the 60-day conditional provisional license period. If MDH determines Better Stay Homes LLC is in substantial compliance on the follow up survey, MDH will remove the conditions and grant the assisted living facility license to Better Stay Homes LLC. If MDH determines Better Stay Homes LLC is not in substantial compliance, MDH may deny the license pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 144G.16, Subd. 3 (b) (2).

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION:

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §144G.16, Subd. 4, if a provisional licensee whose assisted living facility license has been denied, or extended with conditions, disagrees with the action taken against the provisional license under this section, the provisional licensee may request a reconsideration no later than 15 calendar days after provisional licensee receives notice of the action. **This is your only ability to request a reconsideration under this enforcement action.**

To submit a reconsideration request, please visit:

<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

You are encouraged to retain this document for your records. It is your responsibility to share the information contained in the letter and state form with your organization's Governing Body.

If you have any questions, please contact Casey DeVries directly at: 651-201-5917 or email at: Casey.DeVries@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,



Rick Michals, J.D.
Executive Regional Operations Manager

**Minnesota Department of Health
Health Regulation Division**

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0 000	Initial Comments *****ATTENTION***** ASSISTED LIVING PROVIDER LICENSING CORRECTION ORDER(S) In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.08 to 144G.95, these correction orders are issued pursuant to a survey. Determination of whether violations are corrected requires compliance with all requirements provided at the Statute number indicated below. When Minnesota Statute contains several items, failure to comply with any of the items will be considered lack of compliance. INITIAL COMMENTS: SL40865015-0 On March 30, 2026, through April 1, 2026, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a full survey at the above provider and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey, there were two residents; two receiving services under the Provisional Assisted Living Facility license.	0 000	Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota State Statutes for Assisted Living Facilities. The assigned tag number appears in the far-left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state Statute number and the corresponding text of the state Statute out of compliance is listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings which are in violation of the state requirement after the statement, "This Minnesota requirement is not met as evidenced by." Following the evaluators' findings is the Time Period for Correction. PLEASE DISREGARD THE HEADING OF THE FOURTH COLUMN WHICH STATES,"PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION." THIS APPLIES TO FEDERAL DEFICIENCIES ONLY. THIS WILL APPEAR ON EACH PAGE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT A PLAN OF CORRECTION FOR VIOLATIONS OF MINNESOTA STATE STATUTES. THE LETTER IN THE LEFT COLUMN IS USED FOR TRACKING PURPOSES AND REFLECTS THE SCOPE AND LEVEL ISSUED PURSUANT TO 144G.31 SUBDIVISION 1-3.		
0 250 SS=F	144G.20 Subdivision 1 Conditions (a) The commissioner may refuse to grant a	0 250			

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LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE

TITLE

(X6) DATE

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0 250	Continued From page 1 provisional license, refuse to grant a license as a result of a change in ownership, refuse to renew a license, suspend or revoke a license, or impose a conditional license if the owner, controlling individual, or staff of an assisted living facility: (1) is in violation of, or during the term of the license has violated, any of the requirements in this chapter or adopted rules; (2) permits, aids, or abets the commission of any illegal act in the provision of assisted living services; (3) performs any act detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of a resident; (4) obtains the license by fraud or misrepresentation; (5) knowingly makes a false statement of a material fact in the application for a license or in any other record or report required by this chapter; (6) denies representatives of the department access to any part of the facility's books, records, files, or staff; (7) interferes with or impedes a representative of the department in contacting the facility's residents; (8) interferes with or impedes ombudsman access according to section 256.9742, subdivision 4, or interferes with or impedes access by the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities according to section 245.94, subdivision 1; (9) interferes with or impedes a representative of the department in the enforcement of this chapter or fails to fully cooperate with an inspection, survey, or investigation by the department; (10) destroys or makes unavailable any records or other evidence relating to the assisted living facility's compliance with this chapter; (11) refuses to initiate a background study under	0 250			

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0 250	Continued From page 2 section 144.057 or 245A.04; (12) fails to timely pay any fines assessed by the commissioner; (13) violates any local, city, or township ordinance relating to housing or assisted living services; (14) has repeated incidents of personnel performing services beyond their competency level; or (15) has operated beyond the scope of the assisted living facility's license category. (b) A violation by a contractor providing the assisted living services of the facility is a violation by the facility. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated March 31, 2026 for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota	0 250			

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0 250	Continued From page 3 Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 250			
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Subd. 1a (a-b) Minimum requirements; required food services (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), food must be prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules, chapter 4626. (b) For an assisted living facility with a licensed capacity of ten or fewer residents: (1) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0033, item A, the facility may share a certified food protection manager (CFPM) with one other facility located within a 60-mile radius and under common management provided the CFPM is present at each facility frequently enough to effectively administer, manage, and supervise each facility's food service operation; (2) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0545, item A, kick plates that are not removable or cannot be rotated open are allowed unless the facility has been issued repeated correction orders for violations of Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1565 or 4626.1570; (3) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0685, item A, the facility is not required to provide integral drainboards, utensil racks, or tables large enough to accommodate soiled and clean items that may accumulate during hours of operation provided soiled items do not contaminate clean items, surfaces, or food, and clean equipment and dishes are air dried in a manner that prevents contamination before storage; (4) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 4 4626.1070, item A, the facility is not required to install a dedicated handwashing sink in its existing kitchen provided it designates one well of a two-compartment sink for use only as a handwashing sink; (5) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, parts 4626.1325, 4626.1335, and 4626.1360, item A, existing floor, wall, and ceiling finishes are allowed provided the facility keeps them clean and in good condition; (6) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1375, shielded or shatter-resistant lightbulbs are not required, but if a light bulb breaks, the facility must discard all exposed food and fully clean all equipment, dishes, and surfaces to remove any glass particles; and (7) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1390, toilet rooms are not required to be provided with a self-closing door. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure food was prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and is issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include:	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 5 Please refer to the document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated March 30, 2026, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee within 24 hours of the inspection. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.	0 480			
0 510 SS=F	144G.41 Subd. 3 Infection control program (a) All assisted living facilities must establish and maintain an infection control program that complies with accepted health care, medical, and nursing standards for infection control. (b)The facility's infection control program must be consistent with current guidelines from the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for infection prevention and control in long-term care facilities and, as applicable, for infection prevention and control in assisted living facilities. (c) The facility must maintain written evidence of compliance with this subdivision. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to establish and maintain an infection control program that complied with accepted health care, medical, and nursing standards for infection control. The deficient practice had the potential to affect all residents, employees, and visitors. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or	0 510			

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0 510	Continued From page 6 safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: On March 30, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., the surveyor requested to review the licensee's infection prevention and control program. Clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A provided the surveyor with the licensee's tuberculosis screening policy and stated that it was their program. The licensee lacked an infection control program with the following content: - demonstration of leadership support; - education and training; - resident, family, and visitor education; and - performance monitoring and feedback. On March 30, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., CNS-A stated they were unaware of the written infection control program requirement. The licensee's Infection Control Policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated [licensee] will observe the recommended precautions for assisted living as identified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The precautions cover those residents with documented or suspected infection with highly transmissible or epidemiologically important pathogens that require additional precautions to prevent transmission. The practice of employees will conform with OSHA regulations; current law and currently accepted health care, medical and nursing standards of practice for	0 510			

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0 510	Continued From page 7 infection control. The CDC's Core Infection Prevention and Control Practices for Safe Healthcare Delivery in All Settings dated April 12, 2024, indicated Core Practices should be implemented in all settings where healthcare is delivered including: - leadership support; - education and training on infection prevention; - resident, family and visitor education; - performance monitoring and feedback; - standard precautions; and - transmission-based precautions. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Two (2) days	0 510			
0 660 SS=D	144G.42 Subd. 9 Tuberculosis prevention and control (a) The facility must establish and maintain a comprehensive tuberculosis infection control program according to the most current tuberculosis infection control guidelines issued by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Division of Tuberculosis Elimination, as published in the CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report. The program must include a tuberculosis infection control plan that covers all paid and unpaid employees, contractors, students, and regularly scheduled volunteers. The commissioner shall provide technical assistance regarding implementation of the guidelines. (b) The facility must maintain written evidence of compliance with this subdivision.	0 660			

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0 660	Continued From page 8 This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to maintain a tuberculosis (TB) prevention and control program, based on the most current guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which included TB history and symptom screen for one of two employees (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-E). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved, or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: The facility TB risk assessment dated May 1, 2025, indicated the facility was at a low risk for TB transmission. ULP-E started employment with the licensee on December 10, 2025, to provide assisted living services. ULP-E's record included a TB history and symptom screen dated December 28, 2025, and chest X-ray (CXR) dated December 19, 2025, which was negative for active TB. ULP-E's record lacked documentation of a positive two-step tuberculin skin test (TST) or Interferon-Gamma Release Assay (IGRA) test before a CXR was done.	0 660			

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0 660	Continued From page 9 On April 1, 2026, at 11:45 a.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated they thought because ULP-E had received a Bacille Calmette-Guerin (BCG) vaccination the CXR alone was okay. The licensee's Tuberculosis Screening/Prevention policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated [licensee] will observe the recommended precautions related to TB prevention as identified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). The precautions include the following elements. - risk assessment; - TB screening; and - staff education. The Minnesota Department of Health's (MDH) Assisted Living: Resources and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) last updated March 9, 2026, indicated a CXR alone is not acceptable documentation. You either need: - documentation of a positive two-step Tuberculin Skin Test (TST) or Interferon-Gamma Release Assay (IGRA) test; and - a CXR with provider evaluation after that date. or - documentation of refusal of both the two-step TST and IGRA; - followed by a new CXR and provider evaluation. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 660			

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0 680	Continued From page 10	0 680			
0 680 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 10 Disaster planning and emergency preparedness (a) The facility must meet the following requirements: (1) have a written emergency disaster plan that contains a plan for evacuation, addresses elements of sheltering in place, identifies temporary relocation sites, and details staff assignments in the event of a disaster or an emergency; (2) post an emergency disaster plan prominently; (3) provide building emergency exit diagrams to all residents; (4) post emergency exit diagrams on each floor; and (5) have a written policy and procedure regarding missing residents. (b) The facility must provide emergency and disaster training to all staff during the initial staff orientation and annually thereafter and must make emergency and disaster training annually available to all residents. Staff who have not received emergency and disaster training are allowed to work only when trained staff are also working on site. (c) The facility must meet any additional requirements adopted in rule. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to maintain a written emergency preparedness plan (EPP) with all the required content as defined in Appendix Z. This had the potential to affect all residents, staff, and visitors. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 11 resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: The licensee's Emergency Preparedness Program last reviewed July 1, 2025, lacked evidence of the following required content: - EPP program patient population; - process for EPP collaboration; - subsistence needs for staff and patients; - procedures for tracking of staff and patients; - policies and procedures including evacuation; - policies and procedures for volunteers; - arrangement with other facilities; - primary/alternate means for communication; - methods for sharing information; - sharing information on occupancy/needs; and - LTC family notifications. On April 1, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., owner (O)-F stated they were still working on their EPP to ensure it covered all required content. O-F also stated they were aware the one they had was not complete with all information, however, did not give specific missing information when they were asked. The licensee's Emergency Preparedness policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated [licensee] will have an identified plan in place to assure the safety and well-being of residents and staff during periods of an emergency or disaster that disrupts services. The policy lacked the specific missing information identified above.	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 12 No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 680			
0 775 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2. (a) Fire protection and physical environment Each assisted living facility must comply with the State Fire Code in Minnesota Rules, chapter 7511, and: This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated March 31, 2026 for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one	0 775			

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0 775	Continued From page 13 (21) days	0 775			
0 810 SS=I	144G.45 Subd. 2 (b-f) Fire protection and physical environment (b) Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans. The plans shall include but are not limited to: (1) location and number of resident sleeping rooms; (2) staff actions to be taken in the event of a fire or similar emergency; (3) fire protection procedures necessary for residents; and (4) procedures for resident movement, evacuation, or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including the identification of unique or unusual resident needs for movement or evacuation. (c) Staff of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans upon hiring and at least twice per year thereafter. (d) Fire safety and evacuation plans shall be readily available at all times within the facility. (e) Residents who are capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained on the proper actions to take in the event of a fire to include movement, evacuation, or relocation. The training shall be made available to residents at least once per year. (f) Evacuation drills are required for staff twice per year per shift with at least one evacuation drill every other month. Evacuation of the residents is not required. Fire alarm system activation is not required to initiate the evacuation drill.	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 14 This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level three violation (a violation that harmed a resident's health or safety, or a violation that had the potential to cause more than minimal harm to the resident) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated March 31, 2026 for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 810			
0 950 SS=C	144G.50 Subd. 3 Designation of representative (a) Before or at the time of execution of an assisted living contract, an assisted living facility must offer the resident the opportunity to identify a designated representative in writing in the contract and must provide the following verbatim notice on a document separate from the contract: "RIGHT TO DESIGNATE A REPRESENTATIVE FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.	0 950			

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0 950	Continued From page 15 You have the right to name anyone as your "Designated Representative." A Designated Representative can assist you, receive certain information and notices about you, including some information related to your health care, and advocate on your behalf. A Designated Representative does not take the place of your guardian, conservator, power of attorney ("attorney-in-fact"), or health care power of attorney ("health care agent"), if applicable." (b) The contract must contain a page or space for the name and contact information of the designated representative and a box the resident must initial if the resident declines to name a designated representative. Notwithstanding subdivision 1, paragraph (f), the resident has the right at any time to add, remove, or change the name and contact information of the designated representative. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to include verbatim language giving residents the right to identify a designated representative for two of two residents (R1, R2). This practice resulted in a level one violation (a violation that will cause only minimal impact on the resident and does not affect health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all the residents). The findings include: R1 was admitted to the licensee on July 17, 2025,	0 950			

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0 950	Continued From page 16 for assisted living services. R2 was admitted to the licensee on August 4, 2025, for assisted living services. R1 and R2's assisted living contract lacked the opportunity to designate a representative and the verbatim "right to designate a representative for certain purposes" notice. On April 1, 2026, at 11:50 a.m., owner (O)-F stated they were not aware of the requirement to include in the contract opportunity to designate a representative and the verbatim "right to designate a representative for certain purposes" notice. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 950			
01440 SS=D	144G.62 Subd. 4 Supervision of staff providing delegated nurs (a) Staff who perform delegated nursing or therapy tasks must be supervised by an appropriate licensed health professional or a registered nurse according to the assisted living facility's policy where the services are being provided to verify that the work is being performed competently and to identify problems and solutions related to the staff person's ability to perform the tasks. Supervision of staff performing medication or treatment administration shall be provided by a registered nurse or appropriate licensed health professional and must include observation of the staff administering the medication or treatment and the	01440			

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01440	Continued From page 17 interaction with the resident. (b) The direct supervision of staff performing delegated tasks must be provided within 30 calendar days after the date on which the individual begins working for the facility and first performs the delegated tasks for residents and thereafter as needed based on performance. This requirement also applies to staff who have not performed delegated tasks for one year or longer. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure a registered nurse (RN) conducted direct supervision of staff performing a delegated task within 30 days of providing services for one of two employees (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-E). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: ULP-E started employment with the licensee on December 10, 2025, to provide assisted living services. R2's Medication Administration Summary dated March 1, 2026, through March 30, 2026, indicated ULP-E administered medications to R2 on the following dates: March 6, 7, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, and 29.	01440			

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01440	Continued From page 18 ULP-E's record lacked documentation the RN completed supervision within 30 days for the delegated services ULP-E was providing. On April 1, 2026, at 12:10 p.m., owner (O)-F stated all employees were supposed to be supervised by the RN when they perform delegated tasks. Clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated they missed the supervision as they had forgotten to schedule it when ULP-E started working. The licensee's Supervision of Unlicensed Staff policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated home health aides providing services to assisted living residents will be supervised to assure that the work is being performed competently and to identify problems and solutions to address issues relating to the employee's ability to provide the services. The policy also indicated direct supervision of home health aides performing delegated tasks will be provided within 30 days after the individual begins working for the assisted living provider and thereafter as needed based on performance. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01440			
01470 SS=F	144G.63 Subd. 2 Content of required orientation (a) The orientation must contain the following topics: (1) an overview of this chapter; (2) an introduction and review of the facility's policies and procedures related to the provision	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 19 of assisted living services by the individual staff person; (3) handling of emergencies and use of emergency services; (4) compliance with and reporting of the maltreatment of vulnerable adults under section 626.557 to the Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center (MAARC); (5) the assisted living bill of rights and staff responsibilities related to ensuring the exercise and protection of those rights; (6) the principles of person-centered planning and service delivery and how they apply to direct support services provided by the staff person; (7) handling of residents' complaints, reporting of complaints, and where to report complaints, including information on the Office of Health Facility Complaints; (8) consumer advocacy services of the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care, Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, Managed Care Ombudsman at the Department of Human Services, county-managed care advocates, or other relevant advocacy services; and (9) a review of the types of assisted living services the staff member will be providing and the facility's category of licensure. (b) In addition to the topics in paragraph (a), orientation may also contain training on providing services to residents with hearing loss. Any training on hearing loss provided under this subdivision must be high quality and research based, may include online training, and must include training on one or more of the following topics: (1) an explanation of age-related hearing loss and how it manifests itself, its prevalence, and the challenges it poses to communication;	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 20 (2) health impacts related to untreated age-related hearing loss, such as increased incidence of dementia, falls, hospitalizations, isolation, and depression; or (3) information about strategies and technology that may enhance communication and involvement, including communication strategies, assistive listening devices, hearing aids, visual and tactile alerting devices, communication access in real time, and closed captions. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure an employee received all required orientation topics to assisted living statutes before providing direct care services to residents for two of two employees (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-B, ULP-E). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: ULP-B ULP-B started employment with the licensee on July 10, 2025, to provide assisted living services. On March 31, 2026, at 9:28 a.m., the surveyor	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 21 observed ULP-B administer medications to R2. ULP-B's My Transcript lacked the following required orientation topic(s): - an introduction and review of the facility's policies and procedures related to the provision of assisted living services by the individual staff person. ULP-E ULP-E started employment with the licensee on December 10, 2025, to provide assisted living services. ULP-E's record included an Orientation Checklist dated December 28, 2025, with a check mark against each orientation topic and dementia training for a blanket 8 hours. ULP-E's My Transcript dated between September 10, 2025, and November 6, 2025, lacked orientation topics to include the following: - an overview of assisted living statute; - an introduction and review of the facility's policies and procedures related to the provision of assisted living services by the individual staff person; - handling of emergencies and use of emergency services; - compliance with and reporting of the maltreatment of vulnerable adults under section 626.557 to the Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center (MAARC); - the principles of person-centered planning and service delivery and how they apply to direct support services provided by the staff person; - handling of residents' complaints, reporting of complaints, and where to report complaints, including information on the Office of Health Facility Complaints;	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 22 - consumer advocacy services; and - a review of the types of assisted living services the staff members will be providing and the facility's category of licensure. On April 1, 2026, at 12:20 p.m., owner (O)-F stated they were surprised ULP-E was missing the required training. When the surveyor requested to know the licensee's system of auditing employee files for compliance, O-F stated they had not implemented any system yet. The licensee's Staff Orientation and Education policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated all staff providing assisted living through [licensee] will be prepared to provide safe, effective services to all residents through a thorough orientation and education program pertinent to the needs of the residents. The policy also included all the missing orientation topics above. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01470			
01530 SS=F	144G.64 (a) (1-2) Training in Dementia, Mental Illness, and De- (a) All assisted living facilities must meet the following dementia care, mental illness, and de-escalation training requirements: (1) supervisors of direct-care staff must have at least eight hours of initial training on dementia topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (5), and two hours of initial training on mental illness and de-escalation topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (6) to (8), within 120 working hours of the employment start date.	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 23 Supervisors must have at least two hours of training on topics related to dementia and one hour of training on topics related to mental illness and de-escalation for each 12 months of employment thereafter; (2) direct-care staff must have completed at least eight hours of initial training on dementia topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (5), and two hours of initial training on mental illness and de-escalation topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (6) to (8), within 160 working hours of the employment start date. Until this initial training is complete, a staff member must not provide direct care unless there is another staff member on site who has completed the initial eight hours of training on topics related to dementia and the initial two hours of training on topics related to mental illness and de-escalation and who can act as a resource and assist if issues arise. A trainer of the requirements under paragraph (b) or a supervisor meeting the requirements in clause (1) must be available for consultation with the new staff member until the training requirement is complete. Direct-care staff must have at least two hours of training on topics related to dementia and one hour of training on topics related to mental illness and de-escalation for each 12 months of employment thereafter; This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure all staff received at least eight hours of initial training on dementia topics and two hours of mental illness and de-escalation training specified under paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (8) within 160 working hours of the employment start date as	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 24 required for two of two employees (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-B, ULP-E). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: ULP-B ULP-B started employment with the licensee on July 10, 2025, to provide assisted living services. On March 31, 2026, at 9:28 a.m., the surveyor observed ULP-B administer medications to R2. ULP-B's My Transcript dated July 11, 2025, and July 17, 2025, indicated ULP-B had completed the following dementia training for a total of 6.75 hours: - dementia overview - 1 hour; - person centered care - 0.75 hours; - introduction and overview - 1 hour; - communication - 1.25 hours; - activities of daily living - 1 hour; - behaviors verse symptoms - 1 hour; and - the journey - 0.75 hours. ULP-B's transcript lacked required two hours of mental illness and de-escalation training. ULP-E ULP-E started employment with the licensee on December 10, 2025, to provide assisted living	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 25 services. ULP-E's My Transcript dated between September 10, 2025, and November 6, 2025, indicated ULP-E had completed the following dementia and mental illness and de-escalation training for a total of 6.25 hours of dementia training and 0.75 hours of mental illness training: - introduction and overview - 1 hour; - communication - 1.25 hours; - activities of daily living - 1 hour; - behaviors verse symptoms - 1 hour; - the journey - 0.75 hours; - dementia management and abuse prevention - 1.25 hours; and - mental illness - 0.75 hours ULP-B and ULP-E's record lacked the required 8 hours of initial dementia training and 2 hours of mental illness and de-escalation training as indicated in the statute and completed within 160 hours of employment start date in the following topics: (1) an explanation of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias; (2) assistance with activities of daily living; (3) problem solving with challenging behaviors; (4) communication skills; (5) person-centered planning and service delivery; (6) recognizing symptoms of common mental illness diagnoses, including but not limited to mood disorders, anxiety disorders, trauma- and stressor-related disorders, personality and psychotic disorders, substance use disorder, and substance misuse; (7) de-escalation techniques and communication; and (8) crisis resolution and suicide prevention, including procedures for contacting county crisis	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 26 response teams and 988 suicide and crisis lifelines. On April 1, 2026, at 12:10 p.m., owner (O)-F stated they were not aware the employees were lacking the required number of dementia and mental illness training. O-F also stated they did not have a system in place to audit employee training citing they were a small company. The licensee's Education on Dementia policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated direct care employees must have completed at least eight (8) hours of initial education within 160 working hours of the employment start date in the following topics: a. An explanation of Alzheimer's Disease and other dementias b. Assistance with activities of daily living (ADL's) c. Problem solving with challenging behaviors d. Communication skills e. Person-centered planning and service delivery The policy lacked verbiage to include mental illness and de-escalation training. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01530			
01620 SS=D	144G.70 Subd. 2 (c-e) Initial reviews, assessments, and monitoring (a) Residents who are not receiving any assisted living services shall not be required to undergo an initial nursing assessment. (b) An assisted living facility shall conduct a nursing assessment by a registered nurse of the physical and cognitive needs of the prospective	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 27 resident and propose a temporary service plan prior to the date on which a prospective resident executes a contract with a facility or the date on which a prospective resident moves in, whichever is earlier. If necessitated by either the geographic distance between the prospective resident and the facility, or urgent or unexpected circumstances, the assessment may be conducted using telecommunication methods based on practice standards that meet the resident's needs and reflect person-centered planning and care delivery. (c) Resident reassessment and monitoring must be conducted by a registered nurse: (1) no more than 14 calendar days after initiation of services; (2) as needed based on changes in the resident's needs; and (3) at least every 90 calendar days. (d) Sections of the reassessment and monitoring in paragraph (c) may be completed by a licensed practical nurse as allowed under the Nurse Practice Act in sections 148.171 to 148.285. A registered nurse must review the findings as part of the resident's reassessment. (e) For residents only receiving assisted living services specified in section 144G.08, subdivision 9, clauses (1) to (5), the facility shall complete an individualized initial review of the resident's needs and preferences. The initial review must be completed within 30 calendar days of the start of services. Resident monitoring and review must be conducted as needed based on changes in the needs of the resident and cannot exceed 90 calendar days from the date of the last review. (f) A facility must inform the prospective resident of the availability of and contact information for long-term care consultation services under section 256B.0911, prior to the date on which a	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 28 prospective resident executes a contract with a facility or the date on which a prospective resident moves in, whichever is earlier. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the registered nurse (RN) conducted a comprehensive assessment within 14 days after admission for one of two residents (R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved, or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: R2 was admitted to the licensee on August 4, 2025, for assisted living services. R2's Addendum to Contract service plan dated November 18, 2025, indicated R2 received services for medication administration, registered nurse evaluation, housekeeping, activity assistance, remove garbage, and shopping assistance. On March 31, 2026, at 9:28 a.m., the surveyor observed ULP-B administer medications to R2. R2's record included an initial assessment completed on August 4, 2025, a 14-day reassessment completed on August 20, 2025,	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 29 and a 90-day assessment completed on November 20, 2025. R2's 14-day reassessment was completed sixteen days after R2's admission. On April 1, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated they had not realized the 14-day assessment was late. When the surveyor inquired how they tracked the resident assessments to ensure they are completed timely, CNS-A stated their documentation system had a calendar reminder. The licensee's Comprehensive Nursing Assessment policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated RN will provide a reassessment visit to update the evaluation of the resident and services no more than 14 days after initiation of services. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01620			
01650 SS=F	144G.70 Subd. 4 (f) Service plan, implementation and revisions to (f) The service plan must include: (1) a description of the services to be provided, the fees for services, and the frequency of each service, according to the resident's current assessment and resident preferences; (2) the identification of staff or categories of staff who will provide the services; (3) the schedule and methods of monitoring assessments of the resident; (4) the schedule and methods of monitoring staff providing services; and (5) a contingency plan that includes:	01650			

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01650	Continued From page 30 (i) the action to be taken if the scheduled service cannot be provided; (ii) information and a method to contact the facility; (iii) the names and contact information of persons the resident wishes to have notified in an emergency or if there is a significant adverse change in the resident's condition, including identification of and information as to who has authority to sign for the resident in an emergency; and (iv) the circumstances in which emergency medical services are not to be summoned consistent with chapters 145B and 145C, and declarations made by the resident under those chapters. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the service plan included the required content for two of two residents (R1, R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: R1 R1 was admitted to the licensee on July 17, 2025, for assisted living services.	01650			

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01650	Continued From page 31 R1's Addendum to Contract service plan dated July 17, 2025, indicated R1 received services for registered nurse evaluation, housekeeping, activity assistance, remove garbage, and shopping assistance. R2 R2 was admitted to the licensee on August 4, 2025, for assisted living services. R2's Addendum to Contract service plan dated November 18, 2025, indicated R2 received services for medication administration, registered nurse evaluation, housekeeping, activity assistance, remove garbage, and shopping assistance. On March 31, 2026, at 9:28 a.m., the surveyor observed ULP-B administer medications to R2. R1 and R2's service plan lacked the following content: - the names and contact information of people the resident wishes to have notified in an emergency or if there is a significant adverse change in the resident's condition, including identification of and information as to who has authority to sign for the resident in an emergency. On April 1, 2026, at 12:10 p.m., owner (O)-F stated R1 did not want any of their information shared with anyone else. O-F also stated they thought R2's sister was the emergency contact however they had not included them in the service plan. The licensee's Service Plan policy dated April 14, 2025, indicated an individualized service plan is implemented for all residents. The policy also included all the required content for a service	01650			

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01650	Continued From page 32 plan. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01650			
03090 SS=C	144.6502, Subd. 8 Notice to Visitors (a) A facility must post a sign at each facility entrance accessible to visitors that states: "Electronic monitoring devices, including security cameras and audio devices, may be present to record persons and activities." (b) The facility is responsible for installing and maintaining the signage required in this subdivision. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the licensee failed to ensure a required notice was posted at the main entry way of the facility to display statutory language to disclose electronic monitoring activity. This had the potential to affect residents, staff, and visitors to the facility. This practice resulted in a level one violation (a violation that has no potential to cause more than a minimal impact on the resident and does not affect health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: On March 30, 2026, at 9:40 a.m., the surveyor	03090			

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03090	Continued From page 33 observed no electronic monitoring notice posted in the facility with the statutory required language. On March 30, 2026, at 11:59 a.m., house manager (HM)-C, stated they did not have the posting, but would order stickers for all the doors. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	03090			



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Food & Beverage Inspection Report

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Establishment Info	License Info	Inspection Info
BETTER STAY HOMES LLC 5237 FLORIDA AVENUE NORTH Crystal, MN 55428 Hennepin County Parcel: Phone:	License: HFID 40865 Risk: License: Expires on: CFPM: CFPM #: ; Exp:	Report Number: F7994261078 Inspection Type: Full - Single Date: 3/30/2026 Time: 4:00:55 PM Duration: minutes Announced Inspection: Yes <u>Total Priority 1 Orders: 0</u> <u>Total Priority 2 Orders: 0</u> <u>Total Priority 3 Orders: 1</u> <u>Delivery: Emailed</u>

New Order: 4-200 Equipment Design and Construction

4-201.11GMN *Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 47*
MN Rule 4626.0506G Discontinue serving TCS foods that are held for more than same-day service in an adult or child care center or boarding establishment or provide equipment that is certified or classified for sanitation by an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited certification program.
COMMENT: Facility had a container of pasta and sauce from the previous day. Spoke to owner about the need for same day service in the facility.
Comply By: 3/30/2026 Originally Issued On: 3/30/2026

Food & Beverage General Comment

INSPECTION CONDUCTED IN THE PRESENCE OF HRD STAFF AND FINDINGS SHARED AT THE END OF INSPECTION.

WILL EMAIL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND LINKS TO HRD STAFF AT THE END OF THE DAY.

KITCHEN IS RESIDENTIAL AND FOOD IS PREPARED FOR SAME DAY SERVICE.

FLOOR IS WOOD COMPOSITE TILE, CABINETS ARE WOOD WITH HALLOWED ENCLOSED BASES, GRANITE COUNTER TOPS AND SMOOTH PAINTED CEILING. ALL ARE FOUND TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION AND WILL BE MONITORED AT FUTURE INSPECTIONS. IF AT ANY TIME THERE IS FOUND TO BE A RISK OF CONTAMINATION OR CONCERN THE PHYSICAL FACILITIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE BROUGHT UP TO CODE.

TEMPERATURES:
Hot Dogs 38
Pasta 37

NOTE: All new food equipment must meet the applicable standards of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). Plans and specifications must be submitted for review and approval prior to new construction, remodeling or alterations.

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I acknowledge receipt of the Metro District Office inspection report number F7994261078 from 3/30/2026



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Minnesota (MDH) Version EH Manager; RPT: F7994261078		Food Establishment Inspection Report			Page 1 of 1					
 Metro District Office Minnesota Department of Health 625 Robert St N, PO BOX 64975 St Paul, MN 55164		No. of Risk Factor/Intervention/Violations		0	Date: 3/30/2026					
		No. of Repeat Risk Factor/Intervention/Violations			Time: 4:00:55 PM					
		Score (optional)			Dur: min					
Establishment: BETTER STAY HOMES LLC		Address: 5237 FLORIDA AVENUE NORTH		City/State: Crystal, MN	Zip: 55428	Phone:				
License/Permit #: HFID 40865		Permit Holder:		Purpose of Inspection: Full	Est. Type:	Risk Category:				
FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS										
Designated compliance status (IN, OUT, N/O, N/A) for each numbered item IN=in compliance OUT=not in compliance N/O=not observed N/A=not applicable				Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R COS=corrected on-site during inspection R=repeat violation						
Compliance Status			COS	R	Compliance Status		COS	R		
Supervision					Time/Temperature Control for Safety					
1	IN	Person in charge present, demonstrate knowledge and performs duties			18	N/O	Proper cooking time & temperatures			
2	IN	Certified Food Protection Manager			19	N/A	Proper reheating procedures for hot holding			
Employee Health					20	N/A	Proper cooling time and temperature			
3	IN	knowledge, responsibilities, and reporting			21	N/A	Proper hot holding temperatures			
4	IN	Proper use of restriction and exclusion			22	IN	Proper cold holding temperatures			
5	IN	Response to vomiting, diarrheal events			23	IN	Proper date marking & disposition			
Good Hygienic Practices					24	N/A	Time as public health control;procedures & record			
6	IN	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco use			Consumer Advisory					
7	IN	No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth			25	N/A	Consumer advisory provided for raw or undercooked foods			
Preventing Contamination by Hands					Highly Susceptible Populations					
8	IN	Hands clean and properly washed			26	N/A	Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered			
9	IN	No bare hand contact with RTE foods, alternatives			Food/Color Additives and Toxic Substances					
10	IN	Adequate handwashing sinks supplied and access			27	N/A	Food additives; approved & properly used			
Approved Source					28	IN	Toxic substances properly identified;stored;used			
11	IN	Food obtained from approved source			Conformance with Approved Procedures					
12	N/O	Food Received at proper temperature			29	N/A	Compliance with variance, specialized processes & HACCP plan			
13	IN	Food in good condition, safe & unadulterated			Risk factors are improper practices or procedures identified as the most prevalent contributing factors of foodborne illness or injury. Public Health interventions are control measures to prevent foodborne illness or injury					
14	N/A	Records available: shellstock tags, parasite dest.								
Protection From Contamination										
15	IN	Food separated and protected								
16	IN	Food-contact surfaces; cleaned & sanitized								
17	IN	Proper Disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned,& unsafe food								
GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES										
Good Retail Practices are preventative measures to control the addition of pathogens, chemicals, and physical objects into foods.										
Mark "X" or OUT in box if numbered item is not in compliance				Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R			COS=corrected on-site during inspection R=repeat violation			
			COS	R				COS	R	
Safe Food and Water					Proper Use of Utensils					
30	N/A	Pasteurized eggs used where required			43		In-use utensils; Properly stored			
31		Water & ice from approved source			44		Utensils, equipment & linens; properly stored, dried, handled			
32	N/A	Variance obtained for specialized processing methods			45		Single-use & single-service articles, properly stored and used			
Food Temperature Control					46		Gloves used properly			
33		Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control			Utensils, Equipment and Vending					
34	N/A	Plant food properly cooked for hot holding			47	X	Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed, & used			
35	N/O	Approved thawing methods used			48		Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained, used; test strips			
36		Thermometers provided & accurate			49		Non-food contact surfaces clean			
Food Identification					Physical Facilities					
37		Food properly labeled; original container			50		Hot & cold water available; adequate pressure			
Prevention of Food Contamination					51		Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices			
38		Insects, rodents, & animals not present; no unauthorized person			52		Sewage & waste water properly disposed			
39		Contamination prevented during food prep, storage, & display			53		Toilet facilities; properly constructed, supplied & cleaned			
40		Personal cleanliness			54		Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained			
41		Wiping cloths: properly used & stored			55		Physical facilities installed, maintained & clean			
42		Washing fruits & vegetables			56		Adequate ventilation & lighting; designated areas used			
Person in Charge (signature)				Person in Charge (signature)					Follow-up: Follow-up Date:	
Inspector (signature)				Inspector (signature)					Follow-up: Follow-up Date:	

Physical Environment Inspection Report

ASSISTED LIVING | ASSISTED LIVING WITH DEMENTIA CARE

Project No: SL40865015-0	Date: 3/31/2026
Facility Name: BETTER STAY HOMES LLC	
Facility Address: 237 Florida Ave N, Crystal, Minnesota 55428	

☒ TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0250

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days

1. Each assisted living facility shall fully cooperate with an inspection, survey, or investigation by the department. [Minn. Stat. 144G.20 subd.1 (9)]

Comments: Access to unoccupied resident room was not provided. The licensee could not find the key to unlock the door.

☒ TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0775

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days

1. Each assisted living facility must comply with the provisions of the Minnesota State Fire Code (MSFC) in Minnesota Rules chapter 7511. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2]

2. Lighted matches, cigarettes, cigars or other burning object shall not be discarded in such a manner that could cause ignition of other combustible material. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 310.7]

Comments: Cigarette butts were observed discarded in the landscaping in and around the rear smoking area.

☒ TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0810

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 3; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days

1. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that include employee actions to be taken in the event of a fire or similar emergency. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The provided FSEP was from a third-party provider and had not been updated to the specific facility.

2. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that include fire protection procedures necessary for residents. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: House manager (HM)-C stated no resident policy was in place at the time of the survey.

3. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that include procedures for resident movement, evacuation, or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including the identification of unique or unusual resident needs for movement or evacuation. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The FSEP failed to provide specific procedures for resident movement and evacuation or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including individualized unique needs of residents. The plan included instructions to evacuate residents but did not include the identification of any residents that needed assistance, any resident-specific procedures to staff for assisting residents during evacuation, nor did it include instructions for staff to follow in case of relocation.

4. Employees of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) upon hiring and at least twice per year thereafter. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: HM-C stated staff training was not provided twice per year.

5. Residents who are capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained on the proper actions to take in the event of a fire to include movement, evacuation, or relocation. The training shall be made available to residents at least once per year. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: HM-C stated resident training was not provided to residents.