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August 3, 2020

Administrator  
Capitol View Transitional Care Center  
640 Jackson Street  
Saint Paul, MN 55101

RE: CCN: 245534  
Cycle Start Date: August 3, 2020

Dear Administrator:

On August 3, 2020, the Minnesota Department of Health completed a revisit to verify that your facility had achieved and maintained compliance. Based on our review, we have determined that your facility has achieved substantial compliance; therefore no remedies will be imposed.

Feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kamala Fiske-Downing'.

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RE: CCN: 245534  
Cycle Start Date: June 19, 2020

Dear Administrator:

On June 19, 2020, a survey was completed at your facility by the Minnesota Departments of Health and Public Safety, to determine if your facility was in compliance with Federal participation requirements for skilled nursing facilities and/or nursing facilities participating in the Medicare and/or Medicaid programs.

This survey found the most serious deficiencies in your facility to be widespread deficiencies that constituted no actual harm with potential for more than minimal harm that was not immediate jeopardy (Level F), as evidenced by the electronically attached CMS-2567 whereby corrections are required.

### **ELECTRONIC PLAN OF CORRECTION (ePoC)**

Within **ten (10) calendar days** after your receipt of this notice, you must submit an acceptable ePOC for the deficiencies cited. An acceptable ePOC will serve as your allegation of compliance. Upon receipt of an acceptable ePOC, we will authorize a revisit to your facility to determine if substantial compliance has been achieved.

To be acceptable, a provider's ePOC must include the following:

- How corrective action will be accomplished for those residents found to have been affected by the deficient practice.
- How the facility will identify other residents having the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice.
- What measures will be put into place, or systemic changes made, to ensure that the deficient practice will not recur.
- How the facility will monitor its corrective actions to ensure that the deficient practice is being corrected and will not recur.
- The date that each deficiency will be corrected.
- An electronic acknowledgement signature and date by an official facility representative.

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The state agency may, in lieu of an onsite revisit, determine correction and compliance by accepting the facility's ePoC if the ePoC is reasonable, addresses the problem and provides evidence that the corrective action has occurred.

If an acceptable ePoC is not received within 10 calendar days from the receipt of this letter, we will recommend to the CMS Region V Office that one or more of the following remedies be imposed:

- Denial of payment for new Medicare and Medicaid admissions (42 CFR 488.417);
- Civil money penalty (42 CFR 488.430 through 488.444).
- Termination of your facility's Medicare and/or Medicaid agreement (488.456(b)).

## DEPARTMENT CONTACT

Questions regarding this letter and all documents submitted as a response to the resident care deficiencies (those preceded by an "F" tag) and emergency preparedness deficiencies (those preceded by an "E" tag), i.e., the plan of correction should be directed to:

**Metro A Survey Team**  
**Licensing and Certification Program**  
**Health Regulation Division**  
**Minnesota Department of Health**  
**85 East Seventh Place, Suite 220**  
**P.O. Box 64900**  
**Saint Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900**  
**Email: karen.aldinger@state.mn.us**  
**Phone: (651) 201-3794 Mobile: (320) 249-2805**

## PRESUMPTION OF COMPLIANCE - CREDIBLE ALLEGATION OF COMPLIANCE

The facility's ePoC will serve as your allegation of compliance upon the Department's acceptance. In order for your allegation of compliance to be acceptable to the Department, the ePoC must meet the criteria listed in the plan of correction section above. You will be notified by the Minnesota Department of Health, Licensing and Certification Program staff and/or the Department of Public Safety, State Fire Marshal Division staff, if your ePoC for the respective deficiencies (if any) is acceptable.

## VERIFICATION OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

Upon receipt of an acceptable ePoC, a Post Certification Revisit (PCR), of your facility will be conducted to validate that substantial compliance with the regulations has been attained in accordance with your verification.

If substantial compliance has been achieved, certification of your facility in the Medicare and/or Medicaid program(s) will be continued and remedies will not be imposed. Compliance is certified as of

the latest correction date on the approved ePoC, unless it is determined that either correction actually occurred between the latest correction date on the ePoC and the date of the first revisit, or correction occurred sooner than the latest correction date on the ePoC.

### **FAILURE TO ACHIEVE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE BY THE THIRD OR SIXTH MONTH AFTER THE LAST DAY OF THE SURVEY**

If substantial compliance with the regulations is not verified by September 19, 2020 (three months after the identification of noncompliance), the CMS Region V Office must deny payment for new admissions as mandated by the Social Security Act (the Act) at Sections 1819(h)(2)(D) and 1919(h)(2)(C) and Federal regulations at 42 CFR Section 488.417(b).

In addition, if substantial compliance with the regulations is not verified by December 19, 2020 (six months after the identification of noncompliance) your provider agreement will be terminated. This action is mandated by the Social Security Act at Sections 1819(h)(2)(C) and 1919(h)(3)(D) and Federal regulations at 42 CFR Sections 488.412 and 488.456.

**Please note that this notice does not constitute formal notice of imposition of alternative remedies or termination of your provider agreement. Should the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services determine that termination or any other remedy is warranted, it will provide you with a separate formal notification of that determination.**

### **INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION (IDR) / INDEPENDENT INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION (IIDR)**

In accordance with 42 CFR 488.331, you have one opportunity to question cited deficiencies through an informal dispute resolution process. You are required to send your written request, along with the specific deficiencies being disputed, and an explanation of why you are disputing those deficiencies, to:

Nursing Home Informal Dispute Process  
Minnesota Department of Health  
Health Regulation Division  
P.O. Box 64900  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900

This request must be sent within the same ten days you have for submitting an ePoC for the cited deficiencies. All requests for an IDR or IIDR of federal deficiencies must be submitted via the web at: [https://mdhprovidercontent.web.health.state.mn.us/ltc\\_idr.cfm](https://mdhprovidercontent.web.health.state.mn.us/ltc_idr.cfm)

You must notify MDH at this website of your request for an IDR or IIDR within the 10 calendar day period allotted for submitting an acceptable electronic plan of correction. A copy of the Department's informal dispute resolution policies are posted on the MDH Information Bulletin website at: [https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/regulation/infobulletins/ib04\\_8.html](https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/regulation/infobulletins/ib04_8.html)

Please note that the failure to complete the informal dispute resolution process will not delay the dates specified for compliance or the imposition of remedies.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kamala Fiske-Downing".

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  <b>245534</b>	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING _____  B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  <b>06/19/2020</b>
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  <b>CAPITOL VIEW TRANSITIONAL CARE CENTER</b>			STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE <b>640 JACKSON STREET SAINT PAUL, MN 55101</b>		
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E 000	Initial Comments  A COVID-19 Focused Infection Control survey was conducted 6/18/20 and 6/19/20, at your facility by the Minnesota Department of Health to determine compliance with Emergency Preparedness regulations §483.73(b)(6). The facility was in full compliance. Because you are enrolled in ePOC, your signature is not required at the bottom of the first page of the CMS-2567 form. Although no plan of correction is required, it is required that the facility acknowledge receipt of the electronic documents.	E 000			
F 000	INITIAL COMMENTS  A COVID-19 Focused Infection Control survey was conducted on 6/18/20 and 6/19/20, at your facility by the Minnesota Department of Health to determine compliance with §483.80 Infection Control. The facility was determined NOT to be in compliance.  The facility's plan of correction (POC) will serve as your allegation of compliance upon the Department's acceptance.  Because you are enrolled in ePOC, your signature is not required at the bottom of the first page of the CMS-2567 form.  Upon receipt of an acceptable electronic POC, a revisit of your facility will be conducted to validate substantial compliance with the regulations has been attained in accordance with your verification.	F 000			
F 880 SS=F	Infection Prevention & Control CFR(s): 483.80(a)(1)(2)(4)(e)(f)	F 880			6/22/20

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

Electronically Signed

07/14/2020

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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F 880	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>§483.80 Infection Control The facility must establish and maintain an infection prevention and control program designed to provide a safe, sanitary and comfortable environment and to help prevent the development and transmission of communicable diseases and infections.</p> <p>§483.80(a) Infection prevention and control program. The facility must establish an infection prevention and control program (IPCP) that must include, at a minimum, the following elements:</p> <p>§483.80(a)(1) A system for preventing, identifying, reporting, investigating, and controlling infections and communicable diseases for all residents, staff, volunteers, visitors, and other individuals providing services under a contractual arrangement based upon the facility assessment conducted according to §483.70(e) and following accepted national standards;</p> <p>§483.80(a)(2) Written standards, policies, and procedures for the program, which must include, but are not limited to:</p> <p>(i) A system of surveillance designed to identify possible communicable diseases or infections before they can spread to other persons in the facility;</p> <p>(ii) When and to whom possible incidents of communicable disease or infections should be reported;</p> <p>(iii) Standard and transmission-based precautions to be followed to prevent spread of infections;</p> <p>(iv) When and how isolation should be used for a resident; including but not limited to:</p> <p>(A) The type and duration of the isolation,</p>	F 880			

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F 880	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>depending upon the infectious agent or organism involved, and</p> <p>(B) A requirement that the isolation should be the least restrictive possible for the resident under the circumstances.</p> <p>(v) The circumstances under which the facility must prohibit employees with a communicable disease or infected skin lesions from direct contact with residents or their food, if direct contact will transmit the disease; and</p> <p>(vi) The hand hygiene procedures to be followed by staff involved in direct resident contact.</p> <p>§483.80(a)(4) A system for recording incidents identified under the facility's IPCP and the corrective actions taken by the facility.</p> <p>§483.80(e) Linens. Personnel must handle, store, process, and transport linens so as to prevent the spread of infection.</p> <p>§483.80(f) Annual review. The facility will conduct an annual review of its IPCP and update their program, as necessary. This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview, and document review, the facility failed to actively screen staff at the point of entry to the facility, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) guidelines for COVID-19.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 11:30 a.m. nursing assistant (NA)-A stated she started the shift at 7:00 a.m. and no one watched her</p>	F 880	<p>The submission of this plan of correction does not constitute admission by the provider of any fact or conclusion set forth in the statement of deficiency. This plan of correction is being submitted because it is required by law.</p> <p>Capitol View did actively scree all staff for fever and symptoms of illness before stating each shift. This work was done by each staff member that was trained to take their own temperature and answer</p>		



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F 880	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>complete the Covid-19 self-screening. "Sometimes there is someone watching me and sometimes no one." NA-A further stated no one had come to look at her since starting her shift to verify that she was well. NA-A confirmed she was also not screened at the main entrance to the hospital.</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 11:36 a.m. registered nurse (RN)-A stated arrived to the unit about 6:30 a.m. and self-screened for Covid-19 without anyone watching.</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 12:17 p.m. regarding staff COVID screening, registered nurse (RN)-C stated, "We just get screened up on the unit, not downstairs at the hospital entrance. We come in for the shift, we walk up and we take our temperature, we report it on the paper and answer the questions on the paper. If we are not running a fever it is ok for us to punch in, if we are having any symptoms then we need to notify a supervisor, we are completing our own screening, they (designated staff) are not sitting there waiting for us to sign in."</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 12:55 p.m. regarding staff COVID screening, RN-B stated, "We follow all of that on the spreadsheet for our screening. We check our temperature, symptoms, in and out. We complete the screenings on own, especially before and after business hours, then the administrator and DON will review the screenings when they come in."</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 1:03 p.m. the administrator stated someone from administration was usually in the facility to verify the screening process. The administrator further stated if the</p>	F 880	<p>questions about their health.</p> <p>Effective June 22nd Capitol View implemented an active screening process where a trained staff member physically monitor, temperatures of staff entering the unit/facility and asks questions regarding other COVID-related symptoms. Competencies have been completed by most staff on June 19th and ongoing, assuring there is plenty of trained screeners as back up to the scheduled screener.</p> <p>Administration or Nursing Administration will monitor the process weekly.</p> <p>This plan was completed on June 22nd 2020.</p> <p>The Director of Nursing or designee remains responsible.</p>		

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F 880	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>staff member was not observed when they arrived, administration would find them during the shift and ask how they were feeling. The evening supervisor was supposed to check-in the night shift and verify the screening was done and then initial the log.</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 1:43 p.m. the administrator confirmed the verification of staff temperature and screening had not been completed for the p.m. shift on 6/14/20, and that the evening supervisor failed to initial the log. The administrator further confirmed several other missing initials and temperatures and that staff would be disciplined for not recording their temperature. The administrator confirmed initialing the, "staff initials on verification of temp and screening," by NA-A's screening for today (6/18/20). The administrator further stated, "I am not sure I saw [NA-A] today. I heard her say hello, but did not look at her."</p> <p>When interviewed on 6/18/20, at 1:15 p.m. director of nursing (DON) stated staff did not receive formal education on the screening process. DON further stated staff received an email with instructions for screening and administration watched everyone the first week or so. DON further stated they did not have a competency or sign off sheet.</p> <p>The facility email with subject Employee Screening at CVTCC following CDC guidelines dated, 3/17/20, instructed staff to take temperature at the start of shift. Verify that they</p>	F 880			

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F 880	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>are feeling well. Take temperature at the end of shift. Report any changes/spikes in temperature to the supervisor. Report travel activity.</p> <p>The facility email with subject Changes in screening at CVTCC dated, 4/9/20, indicated change in screening location and that each employee must go through screening process before punching in or going to office space. The email indicated, "Administration, Nursing Administration and the occasional Nurse Supervisor will be monitoring the screening."</p> <p>The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) document, "COVID-19 Toolkit" updated 06/05/20, directed, "Actively screen all staff for fever and symptoms of illness before starting each shift. In addition to facility staff, conduct health screening for other essential health care personnel including therapy personnel, hospice, home care, dialysis, ombudsman, state surveyors, chaplain at end of life, mortician, etc. [Active screening means that a trained person should physically monitor temperature of staff entering the building and ask questions regarding other COVID-related symptoms."</p> <p>The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) document, "Preparing for COVID-19 in Nursing Homes" updated 6/19/20, directed, "Screen all HCP at the beginning of their shift for fever and symptoms of COVID-19. Actively take their temperature* and document absence of symptoms consistent with COVID-19. If they are ill, have them keep their cloth face covering or facemask on and leave the workplace."</p>	F 880			