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February 5, 2026

Licensee

McGregor Carefree Living by Oxford Living
22027 420th Street
McGregor, MN 55760

RE: Project Number(s) SL27287016

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on January 22, 2026, for the purpose of evaluating and assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. At the time of the survey, MDH noted violations of the laws pursuant to Minnesota Statute, Chapter 144G, Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules Chapter 4626, Minnesota Statute 626.5572 and/or Minnesota Statute Chapter 260E.

MDH concludes the licensee is in substantial compliance. State law requires the facility must take action to correct the state correction orders and document the actions taken to comply in the facility's records. The Department reserves the right to return to the facility at any time should the Department receive a complaint or deem it necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of residents in your care.

STATE CORRECTION ORDERS

The enclosed State Form documents the state correction orders. MDH documents state licensing 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.

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, the following fines are assessed pursuant to this survey:

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

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, **the total amount you are assessed is \$500.00**. You will be invoiced approximately 30 days after receipt of this notice, subject to appeal.

DOCUMENTATION OF ACTION TO COMPLY

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.30, Subd. 5(c), the licensee must document actions taken to comply with the correction orders within the time period outlined on the state form; however, plans of correction are not required to be submitted for approval.

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>

REQUESTING A HEARING

Alternatively, in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31, Subd. 5(d), an assisted living provider that has been assessed a fine under this subdivision has a right to a reconsideration or a hearing under this section and chapter 14. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 144G.20, Subd. 14 and Subd. 18, a request for a hearing must be in writing and received by the Department of Health within 15 business days of the correction order receipt date. The request must contain a brief and plain statement describing each matter or issue contested and any new information you believe constitutes a defense or mitigating factor.

To submit a hearing request, please visit:

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

To appeal fines via reconsideration, please follow the procedure outlined above. Please note that you may request a reconsideration **or** a hearing, but not both. If you wish to contest tags without fines in a reconsideration and tags with the fines at a hearing, please submit two separate appeals forms at the website listed above.

The MDH Health Regulation Division (HRD) values your feedback about your experience during the survey and/or investigation process. Please fill out this anonymous provider feedback questionnaire at your convenience at this link: **<https://forms.office.com/g/Bm5uQEpHV>**. Your input is important to us and will enable MDH to improve its processes and communication with providers. If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact Susan Winkelmann at susan.winkelmann@state.mn.us or call 651-201-5952.

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 me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessie Chenze".

Jessie Chenze, Supervisor

State Evaluation Team

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 27287	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 01/22/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER MCGREGOR CAREFREE LIVING BY OXFORD I			STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 22027 420TH STREET MCGREGOR, MN 55760		
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0 000	Initial Comments 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: SL27287016-0 On January 20, 2026, through January 22, 2026, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a change of ownership (CHOW) survey at the above provider. At the time of the survey, there were 19 residents; 19 receiving services under the 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.		
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Subd. 1a (a-b) Minimum requirements; required food services	0 480			

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

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0 480	Continued From page 1 (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 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	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 2 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: Please refer to the document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated January 21, 2026, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee within 24 hours of the inspection.	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 3	0 480			
	TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.				
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, record review, and interview, 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 January 22, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	0 775			

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0 780	Continued From page 4	0 780			
0 780 SS=D	144G.45 Subd. 2 (a) (1) Fire protection and physical environment (a) Each assisted living facility must comply with the State Fire Code in Minnesota Rules, chapter 7511, and: (1) for dwellings or sleeping units, as defined in the State Fire Code: (i) provide smoke alarms in each room used for sleeping purposes; (ii) provide smoke alarms outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of bedrooms; (iii) provide smoke alarms on each story within a dwelling unit, including basements, but not including crawl spaces and unoccupied attics; (iv) where more than one smoke alarm is required within an individual dwelling unit or sleeping unit, interconnect all smoke alarms so that actuation of one alarm causes all alarms in the individual dwelling unit or sleeping unit to operate; and (v) ensure the power supply for existing smoke alarms complies with the State Fire Code, except that newly introduced smoke alarms in existing buildings may be battery operated; This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, 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	0 780			

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0 780	Continued From page 5 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: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated January 22, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Two (2) days	0 780			
0 810 SS=F	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	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 6 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. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, record review, and interview, 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	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 7 January 22, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 810			



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Minnesota Department of Health
710 5th St NW, Suite A
Bemidji, MN 56601
Phone: 651-201-4500

Food & Beverage Inspection Report

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Establishment Info

MCGREGOR CAREFREE LIVING
22027 420th Street
McGregor, MN 55760
Aitkin County
Parcel:

Phone:

License Info

License: HFID 27287

Risk:
License:
Expires on:
CFPM: SARA MORLANS
CFPM #: FM104334; Exp: 6-26-2026

Inspection Info

Report Number: F7939261011
Inspection Type: Full - Single
Date: 1/21/2026 Time: 9:30:58 AM
Duration: minutes
Announced Inspection:
Total Priority 1 Orders: 0
Total Priority 2 Orders: 3
Total Priority 3 Orders: 1
Delivery:

New Order: 3-500C Microbial Control: date marking

3-501.17B *Priority Level: Priority 2 CFP#: 23*

MN Rule 4626.0400B Mark the refrigerated, ready-to-eat, TCS food prepared and packaged in a processing plant and opened and held for more than 24 hours in the food establishment using an effective method to indicate the date by which the food must be consumed on the premises, sold, or discarded. The date must not exceed the manufacturer's use-by-date.

COMMENT: COLE SLAW WAS FOUND OUT OF DATE IN KITCHEN 2, TOSSED OUT

Comply By: 1/21/2026 Originally Issued On: 1/21/2026

New Order: 4-300 Equipment Numbers and Capacities

4-302.14 *Priority Level: Priority 2 CFP#: 48*

MN Rule 4626.0715 Provide an appropriate test kit to accurately measure sanitizing solutions.

COMMENT: NO TEST KITS ONSITE TO TEST WARE WASH MACHINES IN EITHER KITCHEN.

Comply By: 1/28/2026 Originally Issued On: 1/21/2026

New Order: 4-500 Equipment Maintenance and Operation

4-501.112A *Priority Level: Priority 2 CFP#: 16*

MN Rule 4626.0795A Maintain the temperature at the manifold of the hot water sanitizing rinse at a maximum temperature of 194 degrees F (90 degrees C) and no less than 165 degrees F (74 degrees C) for a single tank, stationary rack, single temperature machine or 180 degrees F (82 degrees C) for all other machines.

COMMENT: CURRENT KITCHEN 1 MACHINE IS UNKNOWN TO BE MEETING THIS REQUIREMENT AND NEEDS TO BE TESTED ON A REGULAR BASIS

Comply By: 1/21/2026 Originally Issued On: 1/21/2026

New Order: 4-500 Equipment Maintenance and Operation

4-501.11AB *Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 47*

MN Rule 4626.0735AB All equipment and components must be in good repair and maintained and adjusted in accordance with manufacturer's specifications.

COMMENT: KITCHEN 2 WARE WASH MACHINE IS NOT OPERATIONAL, NUMEROUS ERROR CODES. CURRENT OPERATION IS SINK 1 - SOAPY WATER, SINK 2 - CLEAN RINSE WATER, TEMPORARY BIN - QUATERNARY AMMONIA SANITIZER (400PPM). DISHSES ALLOWED TO AIR DRY. TEMPORARY PROCESS UNTIL DISH MACHINES OPERATIONAL.

Comply By: 2/23/2026 Originally Issued On: 1/21/2026

Food & Beverage General Comment

DISCUSSION

MONITORING COOLER TEMPERATURES TO BE MAINTAINED BELOW 41F

WARE WASH MACHINE ISSUES AND SANITIZATION
BARE HAND CONTACT AND GLOVE USE
EMPLOYEE ILLNESS LOG
DISCUSSED REPLACING KITCHEN 2 DISH MACHINE WITH APPROVED UNIT.

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.

I acknowledge receipt of the Bemidji District Office inspection report number F7939261011 from 1/21/2026

MARY BELZ
MANAGER



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Temperature Observations/Recordings

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Establishment Info

MCGREGOR CAREFREE LIVING
McGregor
County/Group: Aitkin County

Inspection Info

Report Number: F7939261011
Inspection Type: Full
Date: 1/21/2026
Time: 9:30:58 AM

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: Egg Role; Temperature Process: Cold-Holding

Location: Cooler 1 at 40 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: cheese; Temperature Process: Cold-Holding

Location: cooler 2 at 41 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No



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Sanitizer Observations/Recordings

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McGregor	Inspection Type: Full
County/Group: Aitkin County	Date: 1/21/2026
	Time: 9:30:58 AM

Sanitizing Chemical: Product: Quaternary Ammonia; **Sanitizing Process:** dunk bin
Location: kitchen 2 **Equal To** 400 PPM
Comment:
Violation Issued?: No

Physical Environment Inspection Report

ENGINEERING | ASSISTED LIVING

Project No: SL27287016-0	Date: January 22, 2026
Facility Name: MCGREGOR CAREFREE LIVING	
Facility Address: 22027 420 TH STREET, MCGREGOR, MN 55760	

☒ TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0775

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) 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. The means of egress shall be maintained free of obstructions or impediments to full instant use in case of fire or other emergency. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1031.2]

Comments: There were marked emergency exit doors in the sunrooms for house one and house two. Clear continuous egress paths from these doors to the public right of way were not maintained free of snow.

3. Emergency lighting shall be continuously maintained. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1031.10]

Comments: The emergency lights did not work when tested by maintenance coordinator (MC)-D at the main entrance/exit door for building two. Emergency lighting shall be continuously maintained as operable.

4. Multiplug adapters, such as cube adapters, unfused plug strips or any other device not complying with NFPA 70 shall be prohibited. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 604.4]

Comments: Multi-outlet plug adapters were used to provide power to personal electronics in occupied resident rooms nine and twelve.

5. Single- and multiple-station smoke alarms shall be replaced when they exceed ten years from the date of manufacture. Smoke alarms shall be replaced with smoke alarms having the same type of power supply. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1103.8.1]

Comments: In the mechanical room of house one, a battery operated smoke alarm was dated 2011. This smoke alarm was over 10 years old from date of manufacture. There was an empty bracket with harness wiring for a hardwired smoke alarm on the ceiling. Where hardwired smoke alarms are installed, these alarms must be maintained and not removed.

6. In buildings that contain a fuel-burning appliance or fireplace, or attached private garage, carbon monoxide detection shall be installed in dwelling units within ten feet of bedrooms. Carbon monoxide detection can be provided by carbon monoxide alarms installed in dwelling or sleeping units or a carbon monoxide detection system installed in the rooms or spaces that contains the fuel-burning appliances. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 915]

Comments: Carbon monoxide detectors were installed in the mechanical rooms of house one and house two. There were gas fireplaces in both buildings. Carbon monoxide alarms were not installed within ten feet of all resident bedrooms.

7. Occupancy separations shall be provided in Group I and Group R occupancies. These separations shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the Building Code. Existing wood lathe and plaster in good condition or ½ inch gypsum wall board is acceptable where one-hour occupancy separations are required. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1105.2]

Comments: There was a hole in the wall from an old gas line behind the clothes washer and dryer in the laundry room of house one. There was a hole in the wall in an electrical panel closet in house two. Walls shall be maintained to prevent fire and smoke from spreading throughout the building.

8. Storage shall be maintained 2 feet (610 mm) or more below the ceiling in nonsprinklered areas of buildings or a minimum of 18 inches (457 mm) below sprinkler head deflectors in sprinklered areas of buildings. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 315.3.1]

Comments: The space under fire sprinklers heads was used for storage in both kitchens, the nurse office in house two, and in several resident room closets. All fire sprinklers must be maintained as unobstructed.

9. A working space of not less than 30 inches (762 mm) in width, 36 inches (914 mm) in depth and 78 inches (1981 mm) in height shall be provided in front of electrical service equipment. Where the electrical service equipment is wider than 30 inches (762 mm), the working space shall be not less than the width of the equipment. Storage of materials shall not be located within the designated working space. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 604.3]

Comments: In house one and house two, the space in front of the electrical panels was used for storage in the laundry rooms and corridor electrical closets. Electrical panels must be maintained as unobstructed.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0780**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Isolated

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Two (2) days

1. Smoke alarms interconnected so that actuation of one alarm causes all alarms in the individual dwelling or sleeping unit to operate where more than one smoke alarm is required within an individual dwelling or sleeping unit. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: When maintenance coordinator (MC)-D tested the smoke alarm system in house two, the smoke alarm installed in occupied resident room 15 was not actuated. While the surveyor was onsite, MC-D was able to correct the deficiency and this dwelling unit smoke alarm tested as interconnected.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0810**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days

1. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans that are readily available at all times within the facility. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The fire safety and evacuation plan (FSEP) was kept in the emergency preparedness binder and stored in the employee office. Licensed assisted living director/clinical nurse supervisor (LALD/CNS)-A stated this office was sometimes kept locked and all employees had keys. The FSEP was not maintained as readily available to all building occupants and emergency responders.

2. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans that include the location and number of resident rooms. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: Resident sleeping rooms were not accurately identified in house two. The numbers posted at the resident room doors did not match the emergency evacuation floor plan. The number identifiers installed on or at the resident sleeping room doors need to correspond accurately with the floor plan to provide efficient communication for exiting in the event of a fire or similar emergency.

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

Comments: Record review of the available documentation indicated the licensee failed to develop and maintain the FSEP with site specific procedures for the facility and building occupants. The FSEP

inaccurately referenced a fire alarm panel in the front entryway, a memory care unit, pull fire alarm stations, elevators, and vertical evacuation.

4. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans 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: Residents had been assigned an evacuation status level with procedures, but this information was not maintained as part of the FSEP. The licensee failed to maintain the fire safety and evacuation plan (FSEP) with resident specific evacuation procedures.

5. Employees of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans at least twice per year. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The surveyor requested records for employee fire safety and evacuation plan training completed in the past 12 months from licensed assisted living director/clinical nurse supervisor (LALD/CNS)-A, these records were not provided. The licensee failed to conduct fire safety and evacuation plan training with all employees twice per year.

6. Evacuation drills are required for employees 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. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The surveyor requested records for employee evacuation drills completed in the past 12 months from licensed assisted living director/clinical nurse supervisor (LALD/CNS)-A. Record review of the available documentation indicated the licensee failed to complete third shift evacuation drills in the past year. Evacuation drills were not completed in October or November 2025. Elopement and power outage drills were recorded inappropriately as evacuation drills. The licensee failed to conduct evacuation drills at the required frequency.