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December 1, 2023

Licensee

Amerigrace Home Care LLC
9633 Hale Avenue South
Cottage Grove, MN 55016

RE: Project Number(s) SL34337015

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on October 31, 2023, for the purpose of evaluating and assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. At the time of the survey, the 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.

The 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. The 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 . . ."

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31 Subd. 4, MDH may assess fines based on the level and scope of the violations; **however, no immediate fines are assessed for this survey of your facility.**

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 the MDH within 15 calendar days of the correction order receipt date.

A state correction order under Minn. Stat. § 144G.91, Subd. 8, Free from Maltreatment is associated with a maltreatment determination by the Office of Health Facility Complaints. If maltreatment is substantiated, you will receive a separate letter with the reconsideration process under Minn. Stat. § 626.557.

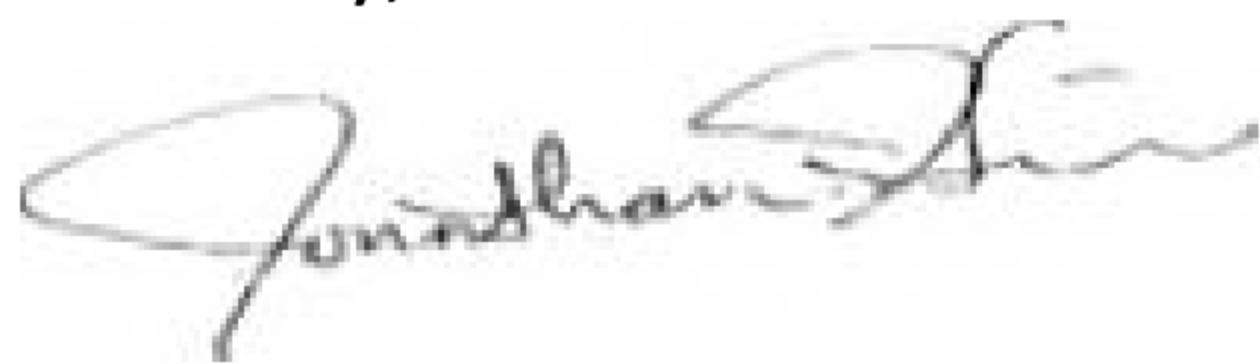
To submit a reconsideration request, please visit:

<https://www.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRD-Appeals-Form>

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,



Jonathan Hill, Supervisor

State Evaluation Team

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Telephone: 651-201-3993 Fax: 1-866-890-9290

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 34337	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 10/31/2023
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER AMERIGRACE HOME CARE LLC			STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 9633 HALE AVENUE SOUTH COTTAGE GROVE, MN 55016		
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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: SL34337015-0 On October 30, 2023, through October 31, 2023, 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 four (4) active residents, all of whom received services under the Assisted Living Facility license.	0 000	Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Licensing Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota State Statutes for Assisted Living License providers. 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 surveyors' 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 subd. 1, 2, and 3.		
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subd 1 (13) (i) (B) Minimum requirements (13) offer to provide or make available at least the	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 following services to residents: (B) food must be prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules, chapter 4626; and 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) 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: Please refer to the document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated October 30, 2023, 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			
0 790 SS=D	144G.45 Subd. 2 (a) (2)-(3) Fire protection and physical environment (2) install and maintain portable fire extinguishers in accordance with the State Fire Code;	0 790			

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0 790	Continued From page 2 (3) install portable fire extinguishers having a minimum 2-A:10-B:C rating within Group R-3 occupancies, as defined by the State Fire Code, located so that the travel distance to the nearest fire extinguisher does not exceed 75 feet, and maintained in accordance with the State Fire Code; and This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the licensee failed to provide portable fire extinguishers as required for the facility. This deficient condition had the ability to affect all staff and residents. 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: On a facility tour on October 30, 2023, at 12:30 p.m., with registered nurse (RN)-A it was observed that a 1-A:10-BC (size) rated fire extinguisher was provided which does not meet the required minimum 2-A:10-B:C fire extinguisher rating. At least one fire extinguisher with minimum 2-A:10-B:C rating is required to be provided, maintained, and located within 75 feet of travel throughout the facility.	0 790			

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0 790	Continued From page 3 During interview on October 30, 2023, at 12:30 p.m., RN-A verified this deficient finding at the time of discovery. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days.	0 790			
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) employee 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) Employees 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 employees twice per year per shift with at least one evacuation drill every other month. Evacuation of	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 4 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 record review and interview, the licensee failed to maintain the facility's fire safety and evacuation plan with required elements. This had the potential to directly 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 resident 's 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 October 31, 2023, registered nurse (RN)-A provided documents on the fire safety and evacuation plan, fire safety and evacuation training, and evacuation drills for the facility. Record review of the available documentation indicated the licensee failed to include room numbers identifying the resident rooms on the fire safety and evacuation floor plan but did provide them on or adjacent to the door of each resident room. Resident sleeping room numbers are required to be included on the fire safety and evacuation floor plan and used with the numbers installed on the resident sleeping room doors in order to provide efficient communication for exiting in the event of a fire or similar emergency.	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 5 The fire safety evacuation floor plan also failed to identify the location of the main exit of the facility. The main exit is required to be identified on the plan in order to direct occupants to the exit in the event of an emergency. Record review of the available documentation indicated the licensee failed to included detailed actions required for employees of this facility in the event of a fire or similar emergency. The fire evacuation policy inaccurately included information that the facility contains automatic closing fire doors and automatic fire department notification which the facility does not have those types of doors or system. Fire safety and evacuation plans failed to be updated from the generic procedures to include detailed specific employee actions in the event of a fire or similar emergency for this facility. Record review of the available documentation indicated the licensee failed to include detailed fire protection procedures necessary for residents to take in the event of a fire or similar emergency. Record review of the available documentation indicated the licensee did not include unique and unusual needs for individual resident movement or evacuation during a fire or similar emergency. Documentation of unique and unusual needs for evacuation for each resident in the facility is required to be kept with the fire safety and evacuation plan for reference in the event of a fire or similar emergency. During an interview on October 31, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., RN-A verified the fire safety and evacuation plan, fire safety and evacuation training, and evacuation drills deficiencies.	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 6 TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days.	0 810			

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Location:

Amerigrace Home Care Llc
9633 Hale Ave South
Cottage Grove, MN55016
Washington County, 82

Establishment Info:

ID #: 0039359
Risk:
Announced Inspection: No

License Categories:

Expires on: / /

Operator:

Phone #: 6517343183
ID #:

The violations listed in this report include any previously issued orders and deficiencies identified during this inspection. Compliance dates are shown for each item.

The following orders were issued during this inspection.

3-300B Protection from Contamination: cross-contamination, eggs

3-302.11A(1) ** Priority 1 **

MN Rule 4626.0235A(1) Separate raw animal foods during storage, preparation, holding, and display from ready-to-eat foods to prevent cross-contamination.

OBSERVED EGGS STORED OVER RTE FOOD IN THE GARAGE FRIDGE. ISSUE CORRECTED ON SITE.

Comply By: 10/30/23

3-500C Microbial Control: date marking

3-501.17B ** Priority 2 **

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.

OBSERVED SOME OPEN CONTAINERS/PACKAGES OF TCS FOOD (HOT DOGS, CREAM CHEESE, SOUR CREAM) IN THE KITCHEN FRIDGE WITH NO DATE LABEL. ISSUE CORRECTED ON SITE.

Comply By: 10/30/23

4-300 Equipment Numbers and Capacities

4-302.14 ** Priority 2 **

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

ESTABLISHMENT HAS BOTH LIQUID CHLORINE AND QUAT TABS FOR SANITIZING BUT NO

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TEST STRIPS FOR EITHER WERE AVAILABLE. PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN.

Comply By: 11/13/23

7-100 Toxic Labeling

7-102.11

**** Priority 2 ****

MN Rule 4626.1595 Clearly label all working containers used for storing poisonous or toxic materials from bulk supplies such as sanitizers and cleaners, with the common name of the product.

THERE WAS AN UNLABELED SECONDARY SPRAY BOTTLE UNDER THE SINK. PER STAFF, THE SOLUTION WAS BLEACH/WATER MIXTURE. ISSUE CORRECTED ON SITE.

Comply By: 10/30/23

Surface and Equipment Sanitizers

UTENSIL SURFACE TEMP: = at 170 Degrees Fahrenheit

Location: DISH MACHINE

Violation Issued: No

Chlorine: = 100PPM at Degrees Fahrenheit

Location: SANITIZER BOTTLE

Violation Issued: No

Food and Equipment Temperatures

Process/Item: Cold Hold/MILK

Temperature: 38 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: KITCHEN FRIDGE

Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: Ambient Temp

Temperature: 0 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: KITCHEN FREEZER

Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: Ambient Temp

Temperature: 39 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: GARAGE FRIDGE

Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: Ambient Temp

Temperature: 4 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: GARAGE FREEZER

Violation Issued: No

Total Orders	In This Report	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
		1	3	0

THIS INSPECTION WAS CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH MDH HEALTH REGULATORY DIVISION (HRD) SURVEY. SURVEYOR FROM HRD WAS ROBYN WOOLLEY. INSPECTION CONDUCTED IN PRESENCE OF GRACE OYEFESOB, THE PERSON IN CHARGE. ALL VIOLATIONS WERE DISCUSSED WITH THE PERSON IN CHARGE AND HRD EVALUATOR DURING INSPECTION.

THIS FACILITY DOES NOT HAVE COMMERCIAL GRADE ANSI EQUIPMENT. ALL FOOD MUST BE SERVED THE SAME DAY IT IS PREPARED, AND LEFTOVERS CAN NEVER BE SAVED.

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DISCUSSED ALL ORDERS ON SITE IN ADDITION TO THE FOLLOWING WITH THE PERSON IN CHARGE:

- EMPLOYEE ILLNESS LOG AND EXCLUSION POLICY.
- HAND WASHING POLICY AND REVIEW.
- GLOVE USAGE.
- DATE MARKING.
- PROPER FOOD STORAGE.
- THERMOMETER USE AND CALIBRATION.
- FULLY COOKING FOOD FOR HIGH RISK POPULATIONS.
- ANSI 184 STANDARD FOR RESIDENTIAL DISH WASHER.

FOR CORRECT BY DATES REFER TO COMPLETE REPORT ISSUED BY HRD.

****IF ANY RESIDENT COMPLAINS OF ILLNESS, CONTACT THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND PROVIDE THE FOODBORNE ILLNESS HOTLINE PHONE NUMBER TO THE CUSTOMER. THE FOODBORNE ILLNESS HOTLINE PHONE NUMBER IS 1-877-366-3455.**

NOTE: Plans and specifications must be submitted for review and approval prior to new construction, remodeling or alterations.

I acknowledge receipt of the inspection report number 1036231278 of 10/30/23.

Certified Food Protection Manager GRACE OYEFESOB

Certification Number: FM109000 Expires: 07/30/24

Inspection report reviewed with person in charge and emailed.

Signed: _____

GRACE OYEFESOB
PERSON IN CHARGE (PIC)

Signed: _____

Jeff Johanson