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Licensee

Sunshine Assisted Living Service LLC
9540 Columbus Avenue South
Bloomington, MN 55420

RE: Project Number(s) SL35372015

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on June 20, 2024, 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 . . ."

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 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>

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/Bm5uQEPhVa>**. 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,



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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 35372	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/20/2024
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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: SL35372015-0 On June 17, 2024, through June 20, 2024, 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 was one resident, one receiving services under the provider's Assisted Living 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 Subd 1 (13) (i) (B) Minimum requirements	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 (13) offer to provide or make available at least the 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 had the potential to affect all residents of the assisted living facility. 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 included document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated June 18, 2024, for the specific Minnesota Food Code deficiencies. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee on June 18, 2024. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.	0 480			
0 580 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 2 Quality management The facility shall engage in quality management appropriate to the size of the facility and relevant	0 580			

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0 580	Continued From page 2 to the type of services provided. "Quality management activity" means evaluating the quality of care by periodically reviewing resident services, complaints made, and other issues that have occurred and determining whether changes in services, staffing, or other procedures need to be made in order to ensure safe and competent services to residents. Documentation about quality management activity must be available for two years. Information about quality management must be available to the commissioner at the time of the survey, investigation, or renewal. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to engage in and maintain documentation of ongoing quality management activities relevant to the size and services provided by the assisted living provider. This had the potential to affect residents, staff and visitors of the assisted living provider. 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: On June 17, 2024, at 11:30 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A stated the licensee met regularly to discuss areas of concern or needed improvements; however, documentation of any quality management	0 580			

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0 580	Continued From page 3 activity was not completed. The [licensee name] Quality Management Program policy, undated, indicated: -the facility would develop a continuous quality management program to identify, support and maintain the facility's quality improvement efforts and provide quality services to their residents. All staff would be involved in the implementation of performance improvement activities. Outcome measurement of these activities would be monitored on a continuous basis and all results would be reported, at least annually, to the management team. -the program would reflect participation by all services and levels of staff and would subscribe to compliance with internal and external standards. A collaborative approach would be used. -data would be collected on all services including those provided under contract. This would be accomplished by direct involvement of contracted staff in the quality improvement process or by obtaining information from the contracted organization. -the Quality Management Program would identify and address resident service areas that are high volume, high risk, or problem prone -retention of reports and findings of the quality team would be retained in the facility files for two (2) years and would be made available to the Minnesota Department of Health upon request. Documents will include a summary of meetings, projects and data collection, and findings. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-One (21) days	0 580			

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0 650 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 8 Employee records (a) The facility must maintain current records of each paid employee, each regularly scheduled volunteer providing services, and each individual contractor providing services. The records must include the following information: (1) evidence of current professional licensure, registration, or certification if licensure, registration, or certification is required by this chapter or rules; (2) records of orientation, required annual training and infection control training, and competency evaluations; (3) current job description, including qualifications, responsibilities, and identification of staff persons providing supervision; (4) documentation of annual performance reviews that identify areas of improvement needed and training needs; (5) for individuals providing assisted living services, verification that required health screenings under subdivision 9 have taken place and the dates of those screenings; and (6) documentation of the background study as required under section 144.057. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure employee records contained all required content for two of two employees (clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B and unlicensed personnel (ULP)-C). 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	0 650			

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0 650	Continued From page 5 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: CNS-B CNS-B began working for the assisted living provider on November 22, 2021. CNS-B completed assessments and ensured resident services were set-up and operationalized as directed under the assisted living license. CNS-B's employee record lacked at least eight hours of annual training for every 12 months of employment in the following topics: -Reporting maltreatment of vulnerable adults or minors -Assisted Living bill of rights -Infection control techniques -Review of provider's policies and procedures - Principles of person-centered planning/service delivery - Hearing loss training (optional) CNS-B's employee record contained an annual training transcript titled, Assisted Living and Memory Care/Minnesota Annual Training Checklist- Nurse and was dated November 22, 2021. Although CNS-B's education transcript provided by Educare (an on-line education system for healthcare workers) indicated two hours of annual training were completed for dementia-care, the employee record lacked evidence of annual training completed in the areas as listed above. ULP-C ULP-C had a start date of March 14, 2020, and	0 650			

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0 650	Continued From page 6 provided direct care to residents of the facility including medication administration, meal preparation and activities of daily living. ULP-C's employee record lacked evidence of a completed annual performance review. On June 20, 2024, at 3:00 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A stated although CNS-B's annual training and ULP-C's annual performance review were completed, documentation was not current in either employee record as indicated above. LALD-A stated they overlooked the process and regularly conducted chart audits on employees as well as residents. LALD-A further explained another possibility was the records were misplaced in the charts prior to changing to an assisted living licensure. The [licensee name] Employee Record Policy, undated, indicated the employee records must include the following: -records of orientation, required annual training, infection control training and competency evaluation; and -documentation of annual performance reviews that identified areas of improvement needed and training needs No further information provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 650			
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	0 780			

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0 780	Continued From page 7 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 provide smoke alarms that are interconnected so that the actuation of one alarm causes all alarms in the dwelling unit to actuate. 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) 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	0 780			

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0 780	Continued From page 8 only occasionally). The findings include: On facility tour on June 18, 2024, at 10:40 a.m., with licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A, it was observed that the smoke alarm located inside lower-level resident room four was not interconnected so activation of one alarm activates all alarms in the facility. All dwelling units required to have multiple smoke alarms are required to have interconnected alarms so activation of one alarm activates all alarms within the dwelling unit. During the tour the smoke alarms were tested and LALD-A, verified the smoke alarm in resident room four was not interconnected so activation of one alarm activates all alarms throughout the facility. LALD-A stated they would install a new alarm in resident room four. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Two (2) days.	0 780			
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; (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	0 790			

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0 790	Continued From page 9 Code; and This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the licensee failed to maintain the portable fire extinguishers. This deficient condition had the potential to affect all staff, residents, 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 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 facility tour on June 18, 2024, at 10:40 a.m., with licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A, it was observed that the lower-level fire extinguisher had a tag for monthly inspections but did not indicate if an annual inspection had been completed. The date on the extinguisher was 2022 and the extinguisher lacked records indicating annual certification and testing had been performed. Documentation is required to demonstrate fire extinguishers have been inspected by facility personnel monthly, and annually replaced with a new extinguisher or serviced annually by a certified technician. During the tour, LALD-A verified the annual testing had not been completed but that they	0 790			

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0 790	Continued From page 10 planned to complete this in the next week. 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 the residents is not required. Fire alarm system activation is not required to initiate the evacuation	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 11 drill. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to develop the fire safety and evacuation plan with the required content. 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: During observation on June 18, 2024, at 10:40 a.m., the surveyor observed that the fire evacuation diagrams posted on the main floor were not accurate to the building layout and did not show the location and number of sleeping rooms. On June 18, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A provided documentation on the fire safety and evacuation plan (FSEP), fire safety and evacuation training, and evacuation drills for the facility. The licensee's FSEP, titled "Emergency/Disaster Plan for Sunshine Assisted Living Services", undated, failed to include the following: The FSEP did not include an evacuation map with	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 12 a floor plan accurate to the building layout that showed the location and number of resident sleeping rooms. The FSEP included standard employee procedures but failed to provide specific employee actions to take in the event of a fire or similar emergency relative to the facility's building layout and environmental risks. The plan included the acronym R.A.C.E. (Rescue, Alarm, Confine, and Extinguish or Evacuate) but the plan was designed for a building with life safety systems such as manually activated fire alarms and smoke compartment doors. The policy had not been updated to provide complete actions for employees to take in the event of a fire or similar emergency at the licensed facility which did not have life safety systems stated in the policy. The FSEP did not identify specific fire protection actions for residents. There was no section in the policy that addressed the responsibilities or basic evacuation procedures that residents should follow in case of a fire or similar emergency. The FSEP included standard resident evacuation procedures but 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 any procedures for assisting residents during evacuation nor did it include instructions for staff to follow in case of relocation. During an interview on June18, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., LALD-A stated they understood the areas of his policy that were incomplete and would work on bringing them into compliance.	0 810			

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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 35372	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/20/2024
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Location:

Sunshine Assisted Living Servi
9540 Columbus Avenue South
Bloomington, MN55420
Hennepin County, 27

Establishment Info:

ID #: 0037579
Risk:
Announced Inspection: No

License Categories:

Expires on: / /

Operator:

Phone #: 9524577992
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.

2-500 Responding to contamination events**2-501.11**

**** Priority 2 ****

MN Rule 4626.0123 Provide employees with procedures to follow for cleanup of vomit or fecal matter in the establishment. The procedures must minimize the spread of contamination to food and surfaces within the facility, and minimize the exposure of employees and consumers to contamination.

No procedures in place.

Comply By: 06/18/24

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.

No quaternary ammonium test kit.

Comply By: 06/20/24

2-100 Supervision**2-102.12AMN**

MN Rule 4626.0033A Employ a certified food protection manager (CFPM) for the establishment.

A state of Minnesota certificate is required in addition to the course certificate.

Comply By: 12/14/24

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4-600 Cleaning Equipment and Utensils

4-601.11C

MN Rule 4626.0840C Clean non-food contact surfaces of equipment and maintain free of accumulations of dust, dirt, food residue, and other debris.

Debris in freezer gasket. Soil residues in fridge.

Biofilm on handles and doors of cupboards.

Comply By: 06/19/24

Food and Equipment Temperatures

Process/Item: Cold Holding
Temperature: 38.1 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: Milk in fridge
Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: Cold Holding
Temperature: 41.0 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: Fridge
Violation Issued: No

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

HRD inspection conducted with nurse evaluator Mary Bruess. Inspection report reviewed on site with Abdulahi Abdirahman, owner.

Domestic kitchen consists of vinyl flooring, painted gypsum walls and ceilings, wooden painted hollow-base cabinets, granite counters and domestic equipment, including a dishwasher.

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

I acknowledge receipt of the Minnesota Department of Health inspection report number 8044241144 of 06/18/24.

Certified Food Protection Manager:_____

Certification Number: _____ Expires: ____ / ____ / ____

Inspection report reviewed with person in charge and emailed.

Signed: 
Inspector signed Abdulahi

Signed: 
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