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Licensee
Barnes Care Inc.
56 West Highway 61
Esko, MN 55733

RE: Project Number(s) SL26579016

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on May 20, 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.

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:

1290 - 144g.60 Subdivision 1 - Background Studies Required - \$1,000.00

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, **the total amount you are assessed is \$1,000.00**. 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/Bm5uQEPhVa>. Your input is important to us and will enable MDH to improve its processes and communication with providers.

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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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: SL26579016-0 On May 18, 2026, through May 20, 2026, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a full survey at the above provider and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey, there were 7 residents; all 7 receiving services under the Assisted Living Facility license. An immediate correction order was identified on May 19, 2026, for tag identification 1290, issued at an isolated scope and level of three (G); the licensee took mitigating action, however, the scope and level remain unchanged.	0 000			
0 470 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Minimum requirements (11) develop and implement a staffing plan for determining its staffing level that: (i) includes an evaluation, to be conducted at least twice a year, of the appropriateness of	0 470			

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

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0 470	Continued From page 1 staffing levels in the facility; (ii) ensures sufficient staffing at all times to meet the scheduled and reasonably foreseeable unscheduled needs of each resident as required by the residents' assessments and service plans on a 24-hour per day basis; and (iii) ensures that the facility can respond promptly and effectively to individual resident emergencies and to emergency, life safety, and disaster situations affecting staff or residents in the facility; (12) ensure that one or more persons are available 24 hours per day, seven days per week, who are responsible for responding to the requests of residents for assistance with health or safety needs. Such persons must be: (i) awake; (ii) located in the same building, in an attached building, or on a contiguous campus with the facility in order to respond within a reasonable amount of time; (iii) capable of communicating with residents; (iv) capable of providing or summoning the appropriate assistance; and (v) capable of following directions; This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to post a daily work schedule at the beginning of each work shift with the required content. This had the potential to affect all residents, staff, and visitors. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a 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	0 470			

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0 470	Continued From page 2 has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: The licensee held an assisted living facility with dementia care license effective May 1, 2026, and was licensed for a capacity of 10 residents, with a current census of 7 residents. During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee was familiar with the current minimum assisted living requirements. In addition, they stated they had two shifts as follows: - morning shift (7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.) - some staff split the shift and do 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - 2 unlicensed personnel (ULP); - night shift (8:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.) - 1 ULP. The licensee's Staffing Plan dated May 12, 2026, noted the following staffing including: - 2 ULP on the day shift; and - 1 awake ULP on the night shift. The licensee's schedule noted the following: - May 18, 2026, two ULP with one noted 8:30; - May 19, 2026, three ULP with one noted 3-9 and one noted 7-3; and - May 20, 2026, two ULP. On May 18, 2026, at 12:10 p.m., during the facility tour with CNS-A, the surveyor observed the main entrance with an office to the left, a kitchen, dining area, common living area, sunroom, and resident rooms. The daily schedule was written on a white board in the dining area. It noted day shift with two ULP and night shift with one ULP.	0 470			

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0 470	Continued From page 3 However, it lacked the hours worked. On May 19, 2026, at 1:55 p.m., CNS-A stated the hours were not included on posting for May 18, 2026. The daily schedule written for May 20, 2026, noted day shift with two ULP and night shift with one ULP. However, it lacked the hours worked. The licensee's Staffing & Scheduling policy dated August 1, 2021, noted the CNS would develop a 24-hour daily staffing schedule including the hours worked. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	0 470			
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Subd. 1a (a-b) Minimum requirements; required food services (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), food must be prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules, chapter 4626. (b) For an assisted living facility with a licensed capacity of ten or fewer residents: (1) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0033, item A, the facility may share a certified food protection manager (CFPM) with one other facility located within a 60-mile radius and under common management provided the CFPM is present at each facility frequently enough to effectively administer, manage, and supervise each facility's food service operation; (2) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0545, item A, kick plates that are not	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 4 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 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	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 5 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 May 19, 2026, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee within 24 hours of the inspection. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.	0 480			
0 580 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 2 Quality management The facility shall engage in quality management appropriate to the size of the facility and relevant 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	0 580			

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0 580	Continued From page 6 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 quality management activity appropriate to the size and relevant to the type of services provided by the assisted living facility. This had the potential to affect the licensee's current 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 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 the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B stated the last quality management meeting held was on January 26, 2026, and added they met quarterly. LALD-B stated topics covered included improvement of the buildings, removing carpet, raised gardens in the back, falls, and infection control. An unlabeled notebook included two entries for December 1, 2024, (discussion of improvements for 2025) and January 26, 2026, (discussion of complaints, wheelchair access in the garden, and planting boxes).	0 580			

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0 580	Continued From page 7 On May 20, 2026, at 9:05 a.m., LALD-B stated they had no additional documentation since the quality management book had been lost. LALD-B stated they had written the two entries into the provided notebook after the surveyor had asked for documentation about the quality management activity. The licensee's Quality Management Project policy dated August 1, 2021, noted quality management documentation would be kept for at least two years. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 580			
0 640 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 7 Posting information for reporting suspected c The facility shall support protection and safety through access to the state's systems for reporting suspected criminal activity and suspected vulnerable adult maltreatment by: (1) posting the 911 emergency number in common areas and near telephones provided by the assisted living facility; (2) posting information and the reporting number for the Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center to report suspected maltreatment of a vulnerable adult under section 626.557; and (3) providing reasonable accommodations with information and notices in plain language. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview and record	0 640			

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0 640	Continued From page 8 review, the licensee failed to support protection and safety through access to the state's systems for reporting suspected criminal activity and suspected vulnerable adult maltreatment as required. This had the potential to affect the licensee's one current resident, 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, 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: The licensee failed to post information and the reporting number for the Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center (MAARC) to report suspected maltreatment of a vulnerable adult under section 626.557. On May 18, 2026, at 12:10 p.m., during the facility tour with clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A, the surveyor observed the main entrance with an office to the left, a kitchen, dining area, common living area, sunroom, and resident rooms. Postings were noted near the front entrance. However, the posting related to MAARC information was not found. On May 19, 2026, at 1:58 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B stated the new complaint form which included the MAARC information was not posted. No further information was provided.	0 640			

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0 680 SS=F	TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days 144G.42 Subd. 10 Disaster planning and emergency preparedness (a) The facility must meet the following requirements: (1) have a written emergency disaster plan that contains a plan for evacuation, addresses elements of sheltering in place, identifies temporary relocation sites, and details staff assignments in the event of a disaster or an emergency; (2) post an emergency disaster plan prominently; (3) provide building emergency exit diagrams to all residents; (4) post emergency exit diagrams on each floor; and (5) have a written policy and procedure regarding missing residents. (b) The facility must provide emergency and disaster training to all staff during the initial staff orientation and annually thereafter and must make emergency and disaster training annually available to all residents. Staff who have not received emergency and disaster training are allowed to work only when trained staff are also working on site. (c) The facility must meet any additional requirements adopted in rule. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to develop a written emergency preparedness plan (EPP) with all the required content defined in Appendix Z. This had	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 10 the potential to affect residents receiving services under the assisted living license, 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, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: On May 18, 2026, at 12:10 p.m., during the facility tour with clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A, the surveyor observed the main entrance with an office to the left, a kitchen, dining area, common living area, sunroom, and resident rooms. The licensee's white binder labeled Emergency Preparedness Plan included a sheet titled Emergency Preparedness Review to be done Annually. This sheet included one initial dated January 11, 2024, by CNS-A. In addition, it included a sheet titled Missing Resident Plan Reviewed Quarterly, with review dates listed as January 11, 2024, February 15, 2024, May 14, 2024, October 10, 2024, February 15, 2025, June 7, 2025, and September 3, 2025. The EPP lacked the following required content: - annual review of the EPP; - quarterly review of the missing resident plan; - annual review of the hazard vulnerability assessment (HVA); - communication plan including a system to track the location of on-duty staff and sheltered residents;	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 11 - exercises to test the EPP at least twice per year, including unannounced staff drills using the EPP. On May 20, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B stated they did not have documentation to support an annual review of the EPP including the HVA or quarterly review of the missing resident plan. LALD-B stated they did not have a documented system to track the location of on-duty staff and sheltered residents and was unsure what was required, but he stated they would write it down in the yellow notebook. CNS-A stated she had been through the binder a few times but did not know the binder very. In addition, LALD-B stated the emergency preparedness testing was reviewed but not documented, and he was not sure what was discussed or reviewed. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 680			
0 690 SS=D	144G.43 Subdivision 1 Resident record (a) Assisted living facilities must maintain records for each resident for whom it is providing services. Entries in the resident records must be current, legible, permanently recorded, dated, and authenticated with the name and title of the person making the entry. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to maintain records for each resident, with resident record entries dated and authenticated with the name and title of the	0 690			

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0 690	Continued From page 12 person making the entry, for one of three residents (R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: R2's diagnoses included dementia (a progressive disease causing cognitive decline). R2's Service Plan dated January 8, 2025, indicated R2 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, and medication administration. R2's Resident Care Plan lacked a date. R2's Progress notes lacked a signature on the following dates: - December 13, 2025; - December 14, 2025; - December 17, 2025; - April 13, 2026; and - April 28, 2026. On May 19, 2026, at 1:10 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated all progress notes should be signed by the person making the entry all documents should be dated. The licensee's Resident Record - Documentation	0 690			

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0 690	Continued From page 13 policy dated August 1, 2021, noted all documentation must include the signature and title of the person performing the service. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 690			
01290 SS=G	144G.60 Subdivision 1 Background studies required (a) Employees, contractors, and regularly scheduled volunteers of the facility are subject to the background study required by section 144.057 and may be disqualified under chapter 245C. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the facility from requiring self-disclosure of criminal conviction information. (b) Data collected under this subdivision shall be classified as private data on individuals under section 13.02, subdivision 12. (c) Termination of a staff member in good faith reliance on information or records obtained under this section regarding a confirmed conviction does not subject the assisted living facility to civil liability or liability for unemployment benefits. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure current employee records contained all the required content to include a current background study clearance letter for one of twelve employees (maintenance manager/MM-C). In addition, the licensee failed to ensure one of twelve employees (unlicensed personnel/ULP- D) was affiliated with	01290			

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01290	Continued From page 14 the licensee's health facility identification (HFID) number. This had the potential to affect all residents living within the facility. This practice resulted in a level three violation (a violation that harmed a resident's health or safety, or a violation that had the potential to cause more than minimal harm to the resident) and was issued at 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: This resulted in an immediate correction order on May 19, 2026. During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:42 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B stated the licensee was aware of required contents in an employee record. MM-C MM-C was hired on March 4, 2004, to provide maintenance services at the facility. On May 18, 2026, at 3:12 p.m., MM-C stated he is here in the building as needed for maintenance requests and does not have a set schedule. MM-C's employee record lacked a background study clearance letter. ULP-D ULP-D was hired on June 6, 2024, to provide direct care services to residents. The licensee's untitled schedule for May 2026, noted ULP-D worked providing direct care on the	01290			

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01290	Continued From page 15 following dates, May 1, 2026, May 3, 2026, May 5, 2026, May 6, 2026, May 7, 2026, May 11, 2026, May 12, 2026, May 13, 2026, May 14, 2026, May 16, 2026, and May 18, 2026. ULP-D's employee record included a background study dated January 13, 2025, for a sister company. However, ULP-D's record lacked a background study clearance letter that was affiliated with the HFID for this location. On May 18,2026 at 2:03 p.m., LALD-B, stated MM-C, works in the building and added his title as maintenance on the employee list. On May 18, 2026, at 2:20 p.m., LALD-B provided a background study clearance dated January 21, 2005. And he stated there was no current background study clearance letter for MM-C. In addition, LALD- B stated ULP-D was not affiliated with the license's HFID. The licensee's 4.02 Background Studies policy dated August 1, 2021, indicated (licensee name) will initiate a background study on all employees. The MN DHS Background Studies website last updated March 30, 2026, indicated "DHS temporarily modified background studies during COVID-19, but modifications ended January 1, 2023, and emergency studies are no longer valid." Continuous Direct Supervision defined in NETStudy 2.0 System User Manual Updated July 7, 2023, page 7: Continuous, Direct Supervision - An individual is within sight or hearing of the program's supervising individual to the extent that the program's supervising individual is capable at all times of intervening to protect the health and	01290			

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01290	Continued From page 16 safety of the people served by the program. Direct Contact Services - Providing face-to-face care, training, supervision, counseling, consultation, or medication assistance to people served by the entity. Supervision defined in, NETStudy 2.0 System User Manual Updated July 7, 2023, page 53: Supervision Status Study subjects must be under continuous, direct supervision until the study subject is determined eligible until the entity is notified by DHS that the study subject may provide unsupervised services while the background study is being completed. The supervision status is shown in the "Supervision Required" column for convenience. However, programs are instructed to rely on background study notices for supervision status and other background study determination information. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Immediate	01290			
01500 SS=D	144G.63 Subd. 5 Required annual training (a) All staff that perform direct services must complete at least eight hours of annual training for each 12 months of employment. The training may be obtained from the facility or another source and must include topics relevant to the provision of assisted living services. The annual training must include: (1) training on reporting of maltreatment of vulnerable adults under section 626.557; (2) review of the assisted living bill of rights and staff responsibilities related to ensuring the exercise and protection of those rights; (3) review of infection control techniques used in	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 17 the home and implementation of infection control standards including a review of hand washing techniques; the need for and use of protective gloves, gowns, and masks; appropriate disposal of contaminated materials and equipment, such as dressings, needles, syringes, and razor blades; disinfecting reusable equipment; disinfecting environmental surfaces; and reporting communicable diseases; (4) effective approaches to use to problem solve when working with a resident's challenging behaviors, and how to communicate with residents who have dementia, Alzheimer's disease, or related disorders; (5) review of the facility's policies and procedures relating to the provision of assisted living services and how to implement those policies and procedures; and (6) the principles of person-centered planning and service delivery and how they apply to direct support services provided by the staff person. (b) In addition to the topics in paragraph (a), annual training may also contain training on providing services to residents with hearing loss. Any training on hearing loss provided under this subdivision must be high quality and research based, may include online training, and must include training on one or more of the following topics: (1) an explanation of age-related hearing loss and how it manifests itself, its prevalence, and challenges it poses to communication; (2) the health impacts related to untreated age-related hearing loss, such as increased incidence of dementia, falls, hospitalizations, isolation, and depression; or (3) information about strategies and technology that may enhance communication and involvement, including communication strategies,	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 18 assistive listening devices, hearing aids, visual and tactile alerting devices, communication access in real time, and closed captions. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure annual training included all required topics for each 12 months of employment for one of three employees (clinical nurse supervisor/CNS-A). 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: During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and CNS-A stated the licensee was aware of the required contents of the employee records. CNS-A was hired on March 1, 2006, to provide direct care services to residents and to provide staff supervision at the facility. Throughout the survey, the surveyor observed CNS-A working at the facility and interacting with the licensee's residents. CNS-A's record included a transcript of training completed with dates ranging from August 19,	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 19 2022, through January 26, 2026. However, it lacked documented evidence of annual training including: - effective approaches to use to problem solve when working with a resident's challenging behaviors, and how to communicate with residents who have dementia, Alzheimer's disease, or related disorders; and - a review of the provider's policies and procedures. On May 20, 2026, at 11:20 a.m., LALD-B and CNS-A stated they were unable to state if the required training above had been completed or not. The licensee's Annual Required Staff Training policy dated August 1, 2021, noted annual training must include: - effective approaches to use to problem solve when working with a resident's challenging behaviors, and how to communicate with residents who have dementia, Alzheimer's disease, or related disorders; and - a review of the provider's policies and procedures. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01500			
01530 SS=D	144G.64 (a) (1-2) Training in Dementia, Mental Illness, and De- (a) All assisted living facilities must meet the following dementia care, mental illness, and de-escalation training requirements: (1) supervisors of direct-care staff must have at	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 20 least eight hours of initial training on dementia topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (5), and two hours of initial training on mental illness and de-escalation topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (6) to (8), within 120 working hours of the employment start date. Supervisors must have at least two hours of training on topics related to dementia and one hour of training on topics related to mental illness and de-escalation for each 12 months of employment thereafter; (2) direct-care staff must have completed at least eight hours of initial training on dementia topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (5), and two hours of initial training on mental illness and de-escalation topics specified under paragraph (b), clauses (6) to (8), within 160 working hours of the employment start date. Until this initial training is complete, a staff member must not provide direct care unless there is another staff member on site who has completed the initial eight hours of training on topics related to dementia and the initial two hours of training on topics related to mental illness and de-escalation and who can act as a resource and assist if issues arise. A trainer of the requirements under paragraph (b) or a supervisor meeting the requirements in clause (1) must be available for consultation with the new staff member until the training requirement is complete. Direct-care staff must have at least two hours of training on topics related to dementia and one hour of training on topics related to mental illness and de-escalation for each 12 months of employment thereafter; This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 21 review, the licensee failed to ensure one of three employees (clinical nurse supervisor/CNS-A) received the required amount of dementia care training in the required time frame. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: The licensee held an assisted living license effective May 1, 2026. During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and CNS-A stated the licensee was aware of the required contents of the employee records. CNS-A was hired on March 1, 2006, to provide direct care services to residents and to provide staff supervision at the facility. Throughout the survey, the surveyor observed CNS-A working at the facility and interacting with the licensee's residents. CNS-A's record included a transcript of training completed with dates ranging from August 19, 2022, through January 26, 2026. The transcript included: - annual dementia training 1.75 hours, short of the required 2.0 hours annual training.	01530			

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01530	Continued From page 22 On May 20, 2026, at 11:20 a.m., LALD-B stated he must not have assigned the correct amount of training for CNS-A. The licensee's Dementia Training policy dated August 1, 2021, noted all staff would complete two hours of dementia training for each 12 months. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01530			
01565 SS=C	144G.64 (c) Training in Dementia, Mental Illness, and De- (a)The facility shall provide to consumers in written or electronic form a description of the training program, the categories of staff trained, the frequency of training, and the basic topics covered. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to provide in written or electronic form to residents, families, or other persons who requested it, a complete description of the dementia care training program to include the required content. This practice resulted in a level one violation (a violation that will cause only minimal impact on the resident and does not affect health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when	01565			

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01565	Continued From page 23 problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: The licensee provided services under an assisted living license effective May 1, 2026, through April 30, 2027. The licensee's Dementia Training policy dated August 1, 2021, lacked the basic topic covered to include: - recognizing symptoms of common mental illness diagnoses, including but not limited to mood disorders, anxiety disorders, trauma and stressor related disorders, personality and psychotic disorders, substance use disorder, and substance misuse; - de-escalation techniques and communication; and - crisis resolution and suicide prevention, including procedures for contacting crisis response teams and 988 suicide and crisis lifelines. On May 20, 2026, at 11:05 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B stated the policy lacked the above required content. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01565			
01620 SS=D	144G.70 Subd. 2 (c-e) Initial reviews, assessments, and monitoring (a) Residents who are not receiving any assisted	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 24 living services shall not be required to undergo an initial nursing assessment. (b) An assisted living facility shall conduct a nursing assessment by a registered nurse of the physical and cognitive needs of the prospective resident and propose a temporary service plan prior to the date on which a prospective resident executes a contract with a facility or the date on which a prospective resident moves in, whichever is earlier. If necessitated by either the geographic distance between the prospective resident and the facility, or urgent or unexpected circumstances, the assessment may be conducted using telecommunication methods based on practice standards that meet the resident's needs and reflect person-centered planning and care delivery. (c) Resident reassessment and monitoring must be conducted by a registered nurse: (1) no more than 14 calendar days after initiation of services; (2) as needed based on changes in the resident's needs; and (3) at least every 90 calendar days. (d) Sections of the reassessment and monitoring in paragraph (c) may be completed by a licensed practical nurse as allowed under the Nurse Practice Act in sections 148.171 to 148.285. A registered nurse must review the findings as part of the resident's reassessment. (e) For residents only receiving assisted living services specified in section 144G.08, subdivision 9, clauses (1) to (5), the facility shall complete an individualized initial review of the resident's needs and preferences. The initial review must be completed within 30 calendar days of the start of services. Resident monitoring and review must be conducted as needed based on changes in the needs of the resident and cannot exceed 90	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 25 calendar days from the date of the last review. (f) A facility must inform the prospective resident of the availability of and contact information for long-term care consultation services under section 256B.0911, prior to the date on which a prospective resident executes a contract with a facility or the date on which a prospective resident moves in, whichever is earlier. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure all areas of the uniform assessment tool as required per Minnesota Administrative Rule 4659.0150 were addressed for two of two residents (R2, R1) and failed to ensure the registered nurse (RN) completed a comprehensive reassessment not to exceed 90 days, as required, for two of two residents (R2, R1). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: R2 R2's diagnoses included dementia (a progressive disease causing cognitive decline). On May 20, 2026, at 7:50 a.m., the surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-G administer medications to R2 in her room and	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 26 assist R2 with morning cares. R2's Service Plan dated January 8, 2025, indicated R2 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, and medication administration. R2's record contained the following assessments: - Uniform Assessment Tool dated December 9, 2025; and - RN Quarterly Review dated March 18, 2026, (99 days after the last assessment). This review lacked the following required content: - spiritual and cultural preferences; - advanced health care directives and end-of-life preferences; - allergies; - infectious conditions; - review of medical, dental, and emergency room visits in the past 12 months; - weight; - emotional and mental health conditions; - communication and sensory capabilities; - pain; - treatments; - risk factors; - smoking; - alcohol/drug use; - decision making authority; and - follow-up referrals. R1 R1's diagnoses included dementia. On May 19, 2026, at 7:35 a.m., the surveyor observed ULP-E administer medications to R1 in her room and assist R1 with standby assist transfer from recliner chair to walker.	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 27 R1's Service Plan dated July 22, 2025, indicated R1 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, standby assistance with transfers, and medication administration. R1's record contained a RN Quarterly Review dated March 16, 2026. This review lacked the following required content: - spiritual and cultural preferences; - advanced health care directives and end-of-life preferences; - allergies; - infectious conditions; - review of medical, dental, and emergency room visits in the past 12 months; - weight; - emotional and mental health conditions; - communication and sensory capabilities; - pain; - treatments; - risk factors; - smoking; - alcohol/drug use; - decision making authority; and - follow-up referrals. On May 19, 2026, at 1:10 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B stated he was also an RN and typically reviewed the uniform assessment tool quarterly and noted any changes in the margin. However, he had no documentation of doing so for R1 or R2. Clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated she utilized the quarterly review when completing the reviews but did not review all of the required content from the uniform assessment tools during these assessments. Per Assisted Living Facilities: Minnesota Rules Chapter 4659.0140, Subp. 2, effective October	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 28 2022, a nursing assessment or reassessment under Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.70, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) and (c), must be conducted on a prospective resident or resident receiving any of the assisted living services identified in Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.08, subdivision 9, clauses (6) to (12). B. The nursing assessment or reassessment under item A must: (1) address part 4659.0150, subpart 2, items A to N; (2) be conducted in person unless an exception under Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.70, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), applies; (3) be conducted using a uniform assessment tool that complies with part 4659.0150; and (4) be in writing, dated, and signed by the registered nurse who conducted the assessment. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01620			
01700 SS=E	144G.71 Subd. 2 Provision of medication management services (a) For each resident who requests medication management services, the facility shall, prior to providing medication management services, have a registered nurse, licensed health professional, or authorized prescriber under section 151.37 conduct an assessment to determine what medication management services will be provided and how the services will be provided. This assessment must be conducted face-to-face with the resident. The assessment must include an identification and review of all medications the resident is known to be taking. The review and	01700			

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01700	Continued From page 29 identification must include indications for medications, side effects, contraindications, allergic or adverse reactions, and actions to address these issues. (b) The assessment must identify interventions needed in management of medications to prevent diversion of medication by the resident or others who may have access to the medications and provide instructions to the resident and legal or designated representatives on interventions to manage the resident's medications and prevent diversion of medications. For purposes of this section, "diversion of medication" means misuse, theft, or illegal or improper disposition of medications. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the registered nurse (RN) conducted a face-to-face medication management reassessment to include all required content for two of two residents (R2, R1) who received medication management services. 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 pattern scope (when more than a limited number of residents are affected, more than a limited number of staff are involved, or the situation has occurred repeatedly; but is not found to be pervasive). The findings include: During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026,	01700			

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01700	Continued From page 30 at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee provided medication management services to residents at the facility. R2 R2's diagnoses included dementia (a progressive disease causing cognitive decline). On May 20, 2026, at 7:50 a.m., the surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-G administer medications to R2 in her room and assist R2 with morning cares. R2's Service Plan dated January 8, 2025, indicated R2 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, and medication administration. R2's undated and unsigned prescriber orders included one pain reliever, one blood thinner, and one benzodiazepine. R2's Uniform Assessment Tool dated December 9, 2025, and RN Quarterly Review dated March 18, 2026, lacked: - interventions needed in in management of medications to prevent diversion of medication by the resident or others who may have access to the medications and provide instructions to the resident and legal or designated representatives on interventions to manage the resident's medications and prevent diversion of medications. R2's paper medication administration record for May 2026, listed medications as prescribed, times to administer, and staff initials through May 19, 2026, to indicate the medications had been administered.	01700			

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01700	Continued From page 31 R1 R1's diagnoses includes dementia. On May 19, 2026, at 7:35 a.m., the surveyor observed ULP-E administer medications to R1 in her room and assist R1 with standby transfer from recliner chair to walker. R1's Service Plan dated July 22, 2025, indicated R1 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, standby assist with transferring, and medication administration. R1's prescriber orders dated June 26, 2025, included a supplement, an anti-depressant, two anti-seizure, an acid reducer, a blood thinner, a high blood pressure medication, a dementia reducer, anti-diarrheal, an anti- insomnia, a fiber supplement, an anti- ulcer, an anti-hypertensive, and a vitamin D regulator medications. R1's Uniform Assessment Tool dated May 8, 2024, and RN Quarterly Review dated March 16, 2026, lacked: - interventions needed in in management of medications to prevent diversion of medication by the resident or others who may have access to the medications and provide instructions to the resident and legal or designated representatives on interventions to manage the resident's medications and prevent diversion of medications. R1's paper medication administration record for May 2026, listed medications as prescribed, times to administer, and staff initials through May 19, 2026, to indicate the medications had been administered. On May 19, 2026, at 1:10 p.m., LALD-B and	01700			

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01700	Continued From page 32 CNS-A stated the above required content was not included in the medication assessment. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01700			
01750 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 7 Delegation of medication administration When administration of medications is delegated to unlicensed personnel, the assisted living facility must ensure that the registered nurse has: (1) instructed the unlicensed personnel in the proper methods to administer the medications, and the unlicensed personnel has demonstrated the ability to competently follow the procedures; (2) specified, in writing, specific instructions for each resident and documented those instructions in the resident's records; and (3) communicated with the unlicensed personnel about the individual needs of the resident. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure as needed (PRN) medications included parameters for administration for one of two residents (R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the	01750			

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01750	Continued From page 33 situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee provided medication management services to residents at the facility. R2's diagnoses included dementia (a progressive disease causing cognitive decline). On May 20, 2026, at 7:50 a.m., the surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-G administer medications to R2 in her room and assist R2 with morning cares. R2's Service Plan dated January 8, 2025, indicated R2 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, and medication administration. R2's undated and unsigned Medical Referral Form included: - lorazepam 1 milligram (mg) tablet. Take 1/2 tab daily as needed for anxiety and indigestion. R2's paper medication administration record for May 2026, listed medications as prescribed, times to administer, and staff initials through May 19, 2026, to indicate the medications had been administered. It noted: - lorazepam 1 mg tablet. Take 1/2 to 1 tablet by mouth as needed for anxiety/agitation over bathing. On May 19, 2026, at 1:10 p.m., LALD-B and CNS-A stated the medical referral form was sent with when they went to an appointment. CNS-A	01750			

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01750	Continued From page 34 stated they may have pulled the signed MD orders in the overflow chart and would look for it. However, no further orders were provided. In addition, LALD-B and CNS-A stated the orders should not include a range. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01750			
01760 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 8 Documentation of administration of medication Each medication administered by the assisted living facility staff must be documented in the resident's record. The documentation must include the signature and title of the person who administered the medication. The documentation must include the medication name, dosage, date and time administered, and method and route of administration. The staff must document the reason why medication administration was not completed as prescribed and document any follow-up procedures that were provided to meet the resident's needs when medication was not administered as prescribed and in compliance with the resident's medication management plan. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to document effectiveness of as needed (PRN) medication for one of two residents (R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a	01760			

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01760	Continued From page 35 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: During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee provided medication management services to residents at the facility. R2's diagnoses included dementia (a progressive disease causing cognitive decline). On May 20, 2026, at 7:50 a.m., the surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-G administer medications to R2 in her room and assist R2 with morning cares. R2's Service Plan dated January 8, 2025, indicated R2 received services including assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, and medication administration. R2's undated and unsigned Medical Referral Form included: - lorazepam 1 mg tablet. Take 1/2 tablet daily as needed for anxiety and indigestion R2's paper medication administration record for May 2026, listed medications as prescribed, times to administer, and staff initials through May 19, 2026, to indicate the medications had been administered. It noted: - lorazepam 1 mg tablet. Take 1/2 to one tablet by mouth as needed for anxiety/agitation over	01760			

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01760	Continued From page 36 bathing; and - the lorazepam had been administered on May 7, 2026, and May 8, 2026, however, the effectiveness had not been documented. In addition, the record lacked identification of the dose administered on these dates. On May 19, 2026, at 1:10 p.m., LALD-B and CNS-A stated the medical referral form was sent along to medical appointments and said it was not clear on what dose had been administered or the effectiveness of the medication, and both should be documented. CNS-A stated she had made a sheet to document as needed medications but it had not been used for these medications. The licensee's Resident Record - Documentation policy dated August 1, 2021, noted staff providing services would document medications provided to the resident. The licensee's PRN (as needed) Medications policy dated August 1, 2021, noted staff were to document on the medication record or in the PRN medication notes sheet when the medication was given, why the medication was given, any unusual reactions or symptoms following the administration of the medication, and follow up communication with the resident. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01760			
01820 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 13 Prescriptions There must be a current written or electronically	01820			

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01820	Continued From page 37 recorded prescription as defined in section 151.01, subdivision 16a, for all prescribed medications that the assisted living facility is managing for the resident. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure written or electronically recorded prescriptions were obtained for one of one resident (R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee provided medication management services to residents at the facility. R2's diagnoses included dementia (a progressive disease causing cognitive decline). On May 20, 2026, at 7:50 a.m., the surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-G administer medications to R2 in her room and assist R2 with morning cares. R2's Service Plan dated January 8, 2025, indicated R2 received services including	01820			

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01820	Continued From page 38 assistance with dressing, grooming, toileting, and medication administration. R2's undated and unsigned Medical Referral Form included: - acetaminophen 500 milligrams (mg). Take 2 tablets by mouth every 8 hours as needed for pain; - biscodyl suppository 10 mg rectally daily as needed for constipation; - Goodsense antacid 30 milliliters (ml) four times daily as needed for indigestion; - lorazepam 1 mg tablet. Take 1/2 tablet daily as needed for anxiety and indigestion; - Mintox 30 ml every four hours as needed for upset stomach; - Diclofenac 1 percent gel. Apply four grams to affected area as needed for pain; - Miralax 17 grams daily for constipation; - Tramadol 50 mg every six hours for pain; - ondansetron 4 mg every eight hours as needed for nausea; - melatonin 6 mg at bedtime as needed; - mirtazapine 15 mg at bedtime as needed; - Senna-S 8.6-50 mg. Take two tablets daily as needed; - Sarna anti-itch lotion to affected area two times daily as needed; and - triamcinolone acetonide 0.1 percent cream twice daily as needed for itchy skin. R2's record lacked a prescriber order for: - aspirin 81 mg daily. On May 19, 2026, at 1:10 p.m., LALD-B and CNS-A stated they had signed prescriber orders for the above but must be in the overflow file. However, no further orders were provided. The licensee's Resident Record - Information and	01820			

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01820	Continued From page 39 Content policy dated August 1, 2021, noted the resident record must include all records of communications pertinent to the resident's services. The 2025 MN Statute 151.01 Subd. 16a. Prescription noted "Prescription" means a prescription drug order that is written or printed on paper, an oral order reduced to writing by a pharmacist, or an electronic order. To be valid, a prescription must be issued for an individual patient by a practitioner within the scope and usual course of the practitioner's practice, and must contain the date of issue, name and address of the patient, name and quantity of the drug prescribed, directions for use, the name and address of the practitioner, and a telephone number at which the practitioner can be reached. A prescription written or printed on paper that is given to the patient or an agent of the patient or that is transmitted by fax must contain the practitioner's manual signature. An electronic prescription must contain the practitioner's electronic signature. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01820			
01910 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 22 Disposition of medications (a) Any current medications being managed by the assisted living facility must be provided to the resident when the resident's service plan ends or medication management services are no longer part of the service plan. Medications for a resident who is deceased or that have been discontinued or have expired may be provided for	01910			

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01910	Continued From page 40 disposal. (b) The facility shall dispose of any medications remaining with the facility that are discontinued or expired or upon the termination of the service contract or the resident's death according to state and federal regulations for disposition of medications and controlled substances. (c) Upon disposition, the facility must document in the resident's record the disposition of the medication including the medication's name, strength, prescription number as applicable, quantity, to whom the medications were given, date of disposition, and names of staff and other individuals involved in the disposition. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to document in the resident's record the disposition of the medications with the required content for one of one resident (R3) upon discharge. 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: During the entrance conference on May 18, 2026, at 10:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-B and clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee provided medication management services to the licensee's residents.	01910			

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01910	Continued From page 41 The licensee's Discharged or Deceased Resident Roster dated May 6, 2026, indicated R3 admitted to the facility on April 10, 2024, and discharged on April 15, 2026. R3's diagnoses included mild cognitive impairment, carpal tunnel, dementia, and cerebral infarction (stroke). R3's Service Plan dated July 21, 2025, indicated R3 received services including assistance with eating, toileting, bathing, and medication administration. R3's Discharge Summary dated April 15, 2026, noted R3 discharged to another facility on April 15, 2026, and noted the medications were sent with R3's wife. R3's Medication Transfer Record dated April 15, 2026, included the medication name, prescription number, and the quantity. However, it lacked the medication strength. On May 20, 2026, at 9:40 a.m., LALD-B stated the form utilized did not include the strength of the medications. The licensee's Medication Disposal policy dated August 1, 2021, noted upon disposition, the facility must document the medication name, strength, prescription number as applicable, quantity, date of disposition, and the names of staff and other individuals involved in the disposition. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7)	01910			

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01910	Continued From page 42 days	01910			



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Food & Beverage Inspection Report

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Establishment Info

Barnes Care Inc
56 WEST HIGHWAY 61
Esko, MN 55733
Carlton County
Parcel:

Phone:

License Info

License: HFID 26579

Risk:
License:
Expires on:
CFPM:
CFPM #: ; Exp:

Inspection Info

Report Number: F1027261049
Inspection Type: Full - Single
Date: 5/19/2026 Time: 10:30 AM
Duration: minutes
Announced Inspection: No
Total Priority 1 Orders: 1
Total Priority 2 Orders: 0
Total Priority 3 Orders: 3
Delivery: Emailed

New Order: 2-100 Supervision

2-102.12AMN Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 2

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

COMMENT: AT TIME OF INSPECTION THERE WAS NO STAFF ON SITE WITH A CERTIFIED FOOD PROTECTION MANAGER CERTIFICATION.

Comply By: 7/19/2026 Originally Issued On: 5/19/2026

New Order: 2-100 Supervision

2-102.12DMN Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 2

MN Rule 4626.0033D Post the certified food protection manager certificate.

COMMENT: POST CFPM CERTIFICATE WHEN OBTAINED.

Comply By: 7/19/2026 Originally Issued On: 5/19/2026

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

3-302.12 Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 37

MN Rule 4626.0240 Properly label all working containers holding food or food ingredients that are removed from original packages with the common name of the food. Label the food in English and any other languages used by employees who handle food.

COMMENT: CONTAINERS OF SUGAR AND FLOUR WERE NOT LABELED. STAFF LABELED DURING INSPECTION. COS

Comply By: Complied On Site Originally Issued On: 5/19/2026

! New Order: 3-500E Microbial Control: time as a control

3-501.19B Priority Level: Priority 1 CFP#: 24

MN Rule 4626.0408B When using time only as a public health control for up to 4 hours, discard all TCS food that has been out of temperature control for more than 4 hours; was not at 41 degrees F (5 degrees C) or less when removed from temperature control; or is in unmarked containers.

COMMENT: A CONTAINER OF BUTTER WAS LEFT OUT AT ROOM TEMPERATURE OVERNIGHT. DISCUSSED WITH STAFF THAT BUTTER MUST BE DISCARDED AFTER 4 HOURS WHEN LEFT OUT OF REFRIGERATION. STAFF DISCARDED CONTAINER. COS

Comply By: Complied On Site Originally Issued On: 5/19/2026

Food & Beverage General Comment

DISCUSSED EMPLOYEE ILLNESS AND EXCLUSIONS AND REQUIRED SANITIZER STRENGTHS. OBSERVED STAFF WEARING GLOVES WHEN HANDLING READY TO EAT FOODS.

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 Duluth District Office inspection report number F1027261049 from 5/19/2026

Ian Harrison

JUSTIN BARNES
OWNER

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Temperature Observations/Recordings

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Establishment Info

Barnes Care Inc
Esko
County/Group: Carlton County

Inspection Info

Report Number: F1027261049
Inspection Type: Full
Date: 5/19/2026
Time: 10:30 AM

Equipment Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: THERMOMETER; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Cooler at 39 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: MILK; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Cooler at 41 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: BACON; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Cooler at 41 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Equipment Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: THERMOMETER; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Cooler at 36 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: BUTTER; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Cooler at 39 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: MILK; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Cooler at 40 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: Product/Item/Unit: ALL FOODS FROZEN; Temperature Process:

Location: Upright Freezer at Degrees F.

Comment: 3 UPRIGHT FREEZERS

Violation Issued?: No



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Sanitizer Observations/Recordings

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Barnes Care Inc
Esko
County/Group: Carlton County

Inspection Info

Report Number: F1027261049
Inspection Type: Full
Date: 5/19/2026
Time: 10:30 AM

Sanitizing Equipment: Product: Hot Water; **Sanitizing Process:** Dish Machine

Location: Equal To 164 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Sanitizing Chemical: Product: Quaternary Ammonia; **Sanitizing Process:** Spray Bottle

Location: Equal To 400 PPM

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Minnesota (MDH) Version EH Manager; RPT: F1027261049		Food Establishment Inspection Report		Page 1 of 1					
 Duluth District Office Minnesota Department of Health 11 East Superior Street, Suite 290 Duluth, MN 55802		No. of Risk Factor/Intervention/Violations		2	Date: 5/19/2026				
		No. of Repeat Risk Factor/Intervention/Violations			Time: 10:30 AM				
		Score (optional)			Dur: min				
Establishment: Barnes Care Inc		Address: 56 WEST HIGHWAY 61		City/State: Esko, MN	Zip: 55733	Phone:			
License/Permit #: HFID 26579		Permit Holder:		Purpose of Inspection: Full	Est. Type:	Risk Category:			
FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS									
Designated compliance status (IN, OUT, N/O, N/A) for each numbered item IN=in compliance OUT=not in compliance N/O=not observed N/A=not applicable				Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R COS=corrected on-site during inspection R=repeat violation					
Compliance Status			COS	R	Compliance Status		COS	R	
Supervision			Time/Temperature Control for Safety						
1	IN	Person in charge present, demonstrate knowledge and performs duties			18	N/O	Proper cooking time & temperatures		
2	OUT	Certified Food Protection Manager			19	N/O	Proper reheating procedures for hot holding		
Employee Health			Consumer Advisory						
3	IN	knowledge, responsibilities, and reporting			20	N/O	Proper cooling time and temperature		
4	IN	Proper use of restriction and exclusion			21	N/O	Proper hot holding temperatures		
5	IN	Response to vomiting, diarrheal events			22	IN	Proper cold holding temperatures		
Good Hygienic Practices			Highly Susceptible Populations						
6	IN	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco use			23	IN	Proper date marking & disposition		
7	IN	No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth			24	OUT	Time as public health control;procedures & record	X	
Preventing Contamination by Hands			Food/Color Additives and Toxic Substances						
8	IN	Hands clean and properly washed			25	N/A	Food additives; approved & properly used		
9	IN	No bare hand contact with RTE foods, alternatives			26	IN	Toxic substances properly identified;stored;used		
10	IN	Adequate handwashing sinks supplied and access			Conformance with Approved Procedures				
Approved Source			Risk factors are improper practices or procedures identified as the most prevalent contributing factors of foodborne illness or injury. Public Health interventions are control measures to prevent foodborne illness or injury						
11	IN	Food obtained from approved source			27	N/A	Compliance with variance, specialized processes & HACCP plan		
12	N/O	Food Received at proper temperature							
13	IN	Food in good condition, safe & unadulterated							
14	N/A	Records available: shellstock tags, parasite dest.							
Protection From Contamination									
15	IN	Food separated and protected							
16	IN	Food-contact surfaces; cleaned & sanitized							
17	IN	Proper Disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned,& unsafe food							
GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES									
Good Retail Practices are preventative measures to control the addition of pathogens, chemicals, and physical objects into foods.									
Mark "X" or OUT in box if numbered item is not in compliance				Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R COS=corrected on-site during inspection R=repeat violation					
			COS	R				COS	R
Safe Food and Water			Proper Use of Utensils						
30	IN	Pasteurized eggs used where required			43		In-use utensils; Properly stored		
31		Water & ice from approved source			44		Utensils, equipment & linens; properly stored, dried, handled		
32	N/A	Variance obtained for specialized processing methods			45		Single-use & single-service articles, properly stored and used		
Food Temperature Control			Utensils, Equipment and Vending						
33		Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control			46		Gloves used properly		
34	N/O	Plant food properly cooked for hot holding			Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed, & used				
35	N/O	Approved thawing methods used			47		Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed, & used		
36		Thermometers provided & accurate			48		Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained, used; test strips		
Food Identification			Physical Facilities						
37	X	Food properly labeled; original container	X		49		Non-food contact surfaces clean		
Prevention of Food Contamination									
38		Insects, rodents, & animals not present; no unauthorized person			50		Hot & cold water available; adequate pressure		
39		Contamination prevented during food prep, storage, & display			51		Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices		
40		Personal cleanliness			52		Sewage & waste water properly disposed		
41		Wiping cloths: properly used & stored			53		Toilet facilities; properly constructed, supplied & cleaned		
42		Washing fruits & vegetables			54		Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained		
Person in Charge (signature)				Person in Charge (signature)					
Inspector (signature)				Follow-up: Follow-up Date:					