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February 28, 2024

Licensee
Southern Oaks Place
10669 Ulysses Street Northeast
Blaine, MN 55449

RE: Project Number(s) SL30479016

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on January 30, 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:

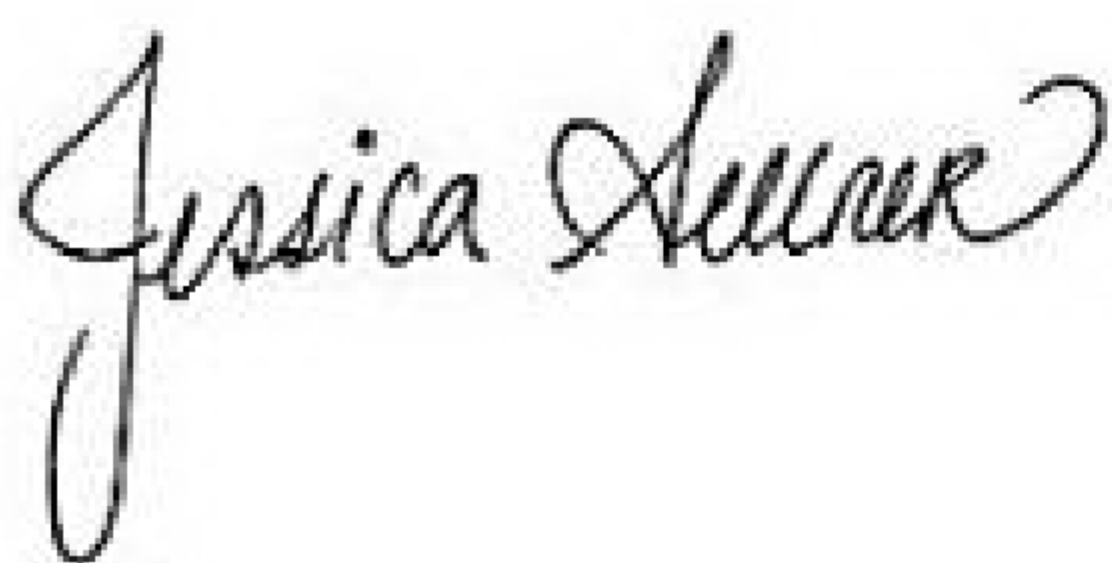
<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

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,



Jessica Sellner, Supervisor
State Rapid Response Team
Email: jessica.sellner@state.mn.us
Telephone: 320-223-7370 Fax: 1-800-337-9238

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Minnesota Department of Health

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 30479	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 01/30/2024
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0 000	Initial Comments *****ATTENTION***** ASSISTED LIVING PROVIDER LICENSING CORRECTION ORDERS 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: SL#30478016 On January 29, 2024 and January 30, 2024, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a CHOW (change of ownership) survey at the above provider, and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey there were 27 residents receiving services under the provider's Assisted Living Facility with Dementia Care license.	0 000			
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subd 1 (13) (i) (B) Minimum requirements (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:	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 Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to comply with Minnesota Food Code, Chapter 4626. This had the potential to affect all 27 residents residing at the 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, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the additional documentation included in the Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Reports dated January 29, 2024. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-One (21) days.	0 480			
0 650 SS=C	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;	0 650			

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0 650	Continued From page 2 (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 the required content for two of three unlicensed personnel, (ULP)-B and ULP-C, with employee records reviewed. This had the potential to affect all residents in the facility. This practice resulted in a level one violation (a violation that has no potential to cause more than a minimal impact on the resident and does not affect 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: ULP-B was hired on June 12, 2023, under the facility's assisted living license. ULP-B's employee file lacked evidence of the required eight hours of dementia care orientation training required per statute. ULP-B's employee file indicated ULP-B completed two of the required eight hours of dementia care training.	0 650			

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0 650	Continued From page 3 ULP-C was hired on May 4, 2023, under the facility's assisted living license. ULP-C's employee file lacked evidence of the required eight hours of dementia care orientation training required per statute. ULP-C's employee file indicated ULP-C completed five of the required eight hours of dementia care training. When interviewed on January 30, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-D stated the required amount of dementia training had been completed, but was not included in the employee charts. The licensee's policy titled Employee General Orientation, dated December 4, 2023, indicated all training records would be filed in each employee's record. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-One (21) days.	0 650			
0 700 SS=F	144G.43 Subdivision 1 Resident record (b) Resident records, whether written or electronic, must be protected against loss, tampering, or unauthorized disclosure in compliance with chapter 13 and other applicable relevant federal and state laws. The facility shall establish and implement written procedures to control use, storage, and security of resident records and establish criteria for release of resident information. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by:	0 700			

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0 700	Continued From page 4 Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure resident records were protected against unauthorized disclosure when resident notes and medical records were stored on a medication cart in a public area.This had the potential to affect all residents residing in the facility. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a client's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a client's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the clients). The findings include: On January 29, 2024, at 11:40 a.m., two open notebooks were observed on top of a medication cart. One notebook recorded evening ("PM") medications, times, and resident names. The second notebook appeared to be a communication book with resident names, activities, and medications documented. Neither notebook was secured, and both were in full view on top of the medication cart, accessible to unauthorized viewers. When interviewed on January 30, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-D stated resident information should be locked up and inaccessible to unauthorized viewers. The licensee's Confidentiality and HIPAA policy, dated January 27, 2023, indicated resident information should not be disclosed to unauthorized individuals.	0 700			

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0 700	Continued From page 5	0 700			
01470 SS=F	TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days. 144G.63 Subd. 2 Content of required orientation (a) The orientation must contain the following topics: (1) an overview of this chapter; (2) an introduction and review of the facility's policies and procedures related to the provision of assisted living services by the individual staff person; (3) handling of emergencies and use of emergency services; (4) compliance with and reporting of the maltreatment of vulnerable adults under section 626.557 to the Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center (MAARC); (5) the assisted living bill of rights and staff responsibilities related to ensuring the exercise and protection of those rights; (6) the principles of person-centered planning and service delivery and how they apply to direct support services provided by the staff person; (7) handling of residents' complaints, reporting of complaints, and where to report complaints, including information on the Office of Health Facility Complaints; (8) consumer advocacy services of the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care, Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, Managed Care Ombudsman at the Department of Human Services, county-managed care advocates, or other relevant advocacy services; and (9) a review of the types of assisted living services the employee will be providing and the facility's category of licensure.	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 6 (b) In addition to the topics in paragraph (a), orientation 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 the challenges it poses to communication; (2) 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, 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 interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure staff orientation contained all required content for two of three unlicensed personnel, (ULP)-B and ULP-C, with employee records reviewed. This had the potential to affect all residents in the facility. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a client's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a client's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the clients).	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 7 The findings include: ULP-B was hired on June 12, 2023, under the facility's assisted living license. ULP-B's employee file lacked evidence of orientation to the following required topics: -Overview of assisted living statutes -Review of the provider's policies and procedures -Reporting maltreatment of vulnerable adults or minors -Assisted Living Bill of Rights -Handling of resident complaints, reporting of complaints, where to report -Consumer advocacy services ULP-C was hired on May 4, 2023, under the facility's assisted living license. ULP-C's employee file lacked evidence of orientation to the following required topics: -Overview of assisted living statutes -Review of the provider's policies and procedures -Handling of resident complaints, reporting of complaints, where to report -Consumer advocacy services When interviewed on January 30, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-D was not aware staff were missing required contents of orientation and would update orientation training documents. The licensee's policy titled Employee General Orientation, dated December 4, 2023, indicated new employees would be oriented in accordance with State and Federal regulations.	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 8 No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-One (21) days.	01470			

Type: Full
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Report: 1029241016

Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report

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Location:

Southern Oaks Place
10669 Ulysses Street Ne
Blaine, MN55449
Anoka County, 02

Establishment Info:

ID #: 0038381
Risk:
Announced Inspection: Yes

License Categories:

Expires on: / /

Operator:

Phone #: 7633771800
ID #:

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

The following orders were issued during this inspection.

3-500B Microbial Control: hot and cold holding

3-501.16A2

**** Priority 1 ****

MN Rule 4626.0395A2 Maintain all cold, TCS foods at 41 degrees F (5 degrees C) or below under mechanical refrigeration.

WHIPPED BUTTER BLEND ON COUNTER IN DANGER ZONE WITHOUT TIME AS A PUBLIC HEALTH CONTROL ("TPHC") PROCEDURE. INSTRUCTED REPRESENTATIVE TO USE TPHC IF PRACTICE IS CONTINUED.

Comply By: 01/31/24

4-600 Cleaning Equipment and Utensils

4-602.11E

MN Rule 4626.0845E Clean surfaces contacting food that is not TCS: 1. at any time when contamination may have occurred; 2. at least once every 24 hours for iced tea dispensers and consumer self-service utensils; 3. before restocking consumer self-service equipment and utensils such as condiment dispensers, and display containers; 4. at a frequency specified by the manufacturer or at a frequency necessary to preclude accumulation of soil or mold for ice bins, beverage dispensing nozzles, enclosed components of ice makers, cooking oil storage tanks and distribution lines, beverage and syrup dispensing lines or tubes, coffee bean grinders, and water vending equipment.

MOLD IN ICE MACHINE. INSTRUCTED REPRESENTATIVE TO CLEAN AND MAINTAIN CLEAN.

Comply By: 01/31/24

Surface and Equipment Sanitizers

chlorine: = 150 ppm at Degrees Fahrenheit
Location: dishwasher
Violation Issued: No

Type: Full
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quaternary ammonium: = 400 ppm at Degrees Fahrenheit
Location: sanitizer bucket
Violation Issued: No

Food and Equipment Temperatures

Process/Item: whipped butter blend
Temperature: 72 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: on counter w/out TPHC
Violation Issued: Yes

Process/Item: stuffing
Temperature: 40 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: walk-in cooler
Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: turkey
Temperature: 38 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: walk-in cooler
Violation Issued: No

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

Inspection conducted with Mario D. Chillis, CFPM and Head Cook. Identified issues were addressed with Mario throughout the inspection, and summarized for Molly Frovik, Director, following the inspection.

Topics discussed with Mario and/or Molly included employee illness exclusion and reporting procedures, common contagious foodborne illness pathogens (e.g., salmonella, shigella, Shiga toxin-producing E. coli, hepatitis A virus, and norovirus), sanitizing by chemical, time as a public health control (“TPHC”) implementation, hygienic practices (e.g., handwashing, barehand contact with ready to eat foods, glove use), datemarking, highly susceptible populations, and general food safety practices (e.g., holding temperatures at or below 41°F and 135°F or above for TCS foods). Establishment’s kitchen was commercial in nature.

Identified issues conveyed to Maerin T. Renee, MSN, RN, PHN, Special Investigator, Nursing Evaluator, following the inspection.

TPHC information emailed with report.

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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 1029241016 of 01/29/24.

Certified Food Protection Manager: Mario D. Chillis

Certification Number: FM67648 Expires: 09/16/25

Inspection report reviewed with person in charge and emailed.

Signed: _____

Mario Chillis
Head Cook

Signed: 

Trevor McCliment
Public Health Sanitarian
Metro District Office
651-201-3957
trevor.mccliment@state.mn.us

Report #: 1029241016

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Minnesota Department of Health

Food, Pools, and Lodging Services

625 Robert Street North

St. Paul

No. of RF/PHI Categories Out

2

Date

01/29/24

No. of Repeat RF/PHI Categories Out

0

Time In

07:16:19

Legal Authority MN Rules Chapter 4626

Time Out

Southern Oaks Place

Address

10669 Ulysses Street Ne

City/State

Blaine, MN

Zip Code

55449

Telephone

7633771800

License/Permit #

0038381

Permit Holder

Purpose of Inspection

Full

Est Type

Risk Category

FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

Circle designated compliance status (IN, OUT, N/O, N/A) for each numbered item

Mark "X" in appropriate box for COS and/or R

IN=in compliance

OUT= not in compliance

N/O= not observed

N/A= not applicable

COS= corrected on-site during inspection

R= repeat violation

Compliance Status

COS

R

Surpervision

1

IN

OUT

PIC knowledgeable; duties & oversight

2

IN

OUT

N/A

Certified food protection manager, duties

Employee Health

3

IN

OUT

Mgmt/Staff;knowledge,responsibilities&reporting

4

IN

OUT

Proper use of reporting, restriction & exclusion

5

IN

OUT

Procedures for responding to vomiting & diarrheal events

Good Hygenic Practices

6

IN

OUT

N/O

Proper eating, tasting, drinking, or tobacco use

7

IN

OUT

N/O

No discharge from eyes, nose, & mouth

Preventing Contamination by Hands

8

IN

OUT

N/O

Hands clean & properly washed

9

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

No bare hand contact with RTE foods or pre-approved alternate pprocedure properly followed

10

IN

OUT

Adequate handwashing sinks supplied/accessible

Approved Source

11

IN

OUT

Food obtained from approved source

12

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Food received at proper temperature

13

IN

OUT

Food in good condition, safe, & unadulterated

14

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Required records available; shellstock tags, parasite destruction

Protection from Contamination

15

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Food separated and protected

16

IN

OUT

N/A

Food contact surfaces: cleaned & sanitized

17

IN

OUT

Proper disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned, & unsafe food

Compliance Status

COS

R

Time/Temperature Control for Safety

18

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Proper cooking time & temperature

19

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Proper reheating procedures for hot holding

20

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Proper cooling time & temperature

21

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Proper hot holding temperatures

22

IN

OUT

N/A

Proper cold holding temperatures

23

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Proper date marking & disposition

24

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Time as a public health control: procedures & records

Consumer Advisory

25

IN

OUT

N/A

Consumer advisory provided for raw/undercooked food

Highly Susceptible Populations

26

IN

OUT

N/A

Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered

Food and Color Additives and Toxic Substances

27

IN

OUT

N/A

Food additives: approved & properly used

28

IN

OUT

Toxic substances properly identified, stored, & used

Conformance with Approved Procedures

29

IN

OUT

N/A

Compliance with variance/specialized process/HACCP

Risk factors (RF) are improper practices or proceedures identified as the most prevalent contributing factors of foodborne illness or injury. Public Health Interventions (PHI) are control measures to prevent foodborne illness or injury.

GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES

Good Retail Practices are preventative measures to control the addition of pathogens, chemicals, and physical objects into foods.

Mark "X" 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

Compliance Status

COS

R

Safe Food and Water

30

IN

OUT

N/A

Pasteurized eggs used where required

31

Water & ice obtained from an approved source

32

IN

OUT

N/A

Variance obtained for specialized processing methods

Food Temperature Control

33

Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control

34

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Plant food properly cooked for hot holding

35

IN

OUT

N/A

N/O

Approved thawing methods used

36

Thermometers provided & accurate

Food Identification

37

Food properly labeled; original container

Prevention of Food Contamination

38

Insects, rodents, & animals not present

39

Contamination prevented during food prep, storage & display

40

Personal cleanliness

41

Wiping cloths: properly used & stored

42

Washing fruits & vegetables

Compliance Status

COS

R

Proper Use of Utensils

43

In-use utensils: properly stored

44

Utensils, equipment & linens: properly stored, dried, & handled

45

Single-use/single service articles: properly stored & used

46

Gloves used properly

Utensil Equipment and Vending

47

Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed, & used

48

Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained, & used; test strips

49

Non-food contact surfaces clean

Physical Facilities

50

Hot & cold water available; adequate pressure

51

Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices

52

Sewage & waste water properly disposed

53

Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied, & cleaned

54

Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained

55

Physical facilities installed, maintained, & clean

56

Adequate ventilation & lighting; designated areas used

57

Compliance with MCIAA

58

Compliance with licensing & plan review

Food Recalls:

Person in Charge (Signature)

Date:

01/31/24

Inspector (Signature)