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Licensee
Tree Of Life Assisted Living
632 Main Street
New Munich, MN 56356

RE: Project Number(s) SL30392015

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on July 24, 2024, for the purpose of evaluating and assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. At the time of the survey, MDH noted violations of the laws pursuant to Minnesota Statute, Chapter 144G, Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules Chapter 4626, Minnesota Statute 626.5572 and/or Minnesota Statute Chapter 260E.

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

STATE CORRECTION ORDERS

The enclosed State Form documents the state correction orders. MDH documents state licensing correction orders using federal software. Tag numbers are assigned to Minnesota state statutes for Assisted Living Facilities. The assigned tag number appears in the far left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state statute number and the corresponding text of the state statute out of compliance are listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings that are in violation of the state statute after the statement, "This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by . . ."

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

DOCUMENTATION OF ACTION TO COMPLY

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

The correction order documentation should include the following:

- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected related to the

resident(s)/employee(s) identified in the correction order.

- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected for all of the provider's resident(s)/employees that may be affected by the noncompliance.
- Identify what changes to your systems and practices were made to ensure compliance with the specific statute(s).

CORRECTION ORDER RECONSIDERATION PROCESS

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.32, Subd. 2, you may challenge the correction order(s) issued, including the level and scope, and any fine assessed through the correction order reconsideration process. The request for reconsideration must be in writing and received by MDH within 15 calendar days of the correction order receipt date.

To submit a reconsideration request, please visit:

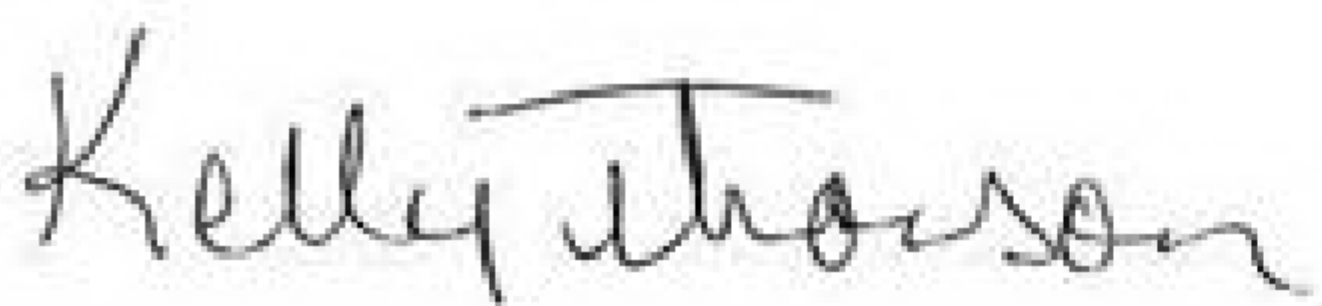
<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

The MDH Health Regulation Division (HRD) values your feedback about your experience during the survey and/or investigation process. Please fill out this anonymous provider feedback questionnaire at your convenience at this link: **<https://forms.office.com/g/Bm5uQEPhVa>**. Your input is important to us and will enable MDH to improve its processes and communication with providers. If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact Susan Winkelmann at susan.winkelmann@state.mn.us or call 651-201-5952.

You are encouraged to retain this document for your records. It is your responsibility to share the information contained in the letter and state form with your organization's Governing Body.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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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: SL30392015 On July 22, 2024, through July 24, 2024, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a survey at the above provider, and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey, there were 16 residents receiving services under the Assisted Living license.	0 000	Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Licensing Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota State Statutes for Home Care Providers. The assigned tag number appears in the far-left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state Statute number and the corresponding text of the state Statute out of compliance is listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings which are in violation of the state requirement after the statement, "This Minnesota requirement is not met as evidenced by." Following the surveyors' findings is the Time Period for Correction. PLEASE DISREGARD THE HEADING OF THE FOURTH COLUMN WHICH STATES,"PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION." THIS APPLIES TO FEDERAL DEFICIENCIES ONLY. THIS WILL APPEAR ON EACH PAGE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT A PLAN OF CORRECTION FOR VIOLATIONS OF MINNESOTA STATE STATUTES. THE LETTER IN THE LEFT COLUMN IS USED FOR TRACKING PURPOSES AND REFLECTS THE SCOPE AND LEVEL ISSUED PURSUANT TO 144A.474 SUBDIVISION 11 (b)(1)(2).		
0 430 SS=C	144G.40 Subd. 2 Uniform checklist disclosure of services	0 430			

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

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0 430	Continued From page 1 (a) All assisted living facilities must provide to prospective residents: (1) a disclosure of the categories of assisted living licenses available and the category of license held by the facility; (2) a written checklist listing all services permitted under the facility's license, identifying all services the facility offers to provide under the assisted living facility contract, and identifying all services allowed under the license that the facility does not provide; and (3) an oral explanation of the services offered under the contract. (b) The requirements of paragraph (a) must be completed prior to the execution of the assisted living contract. (c) The commissioner must, in consultation with all interested stakeholders, design the uniform checklist disclosure form for use as provided under paragraph (a). This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to provide licensee's Uniform Disclosure of Assisted Living Services and Amenities (UDALSA) for one of two residents (R1). 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 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:	0 430			

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0 430	Continued From page 2 R1 was admitted October 27, 2015. On July 23, 2024, at 8:55 a.m. licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A provided R1's record and included "Statement of Home Care Services: Comprehensive Home Care Provider," which were signed and undated. The licensee's UDALSA was not listed as one of the identified documents provided to R1. On July 23, 2024, at 8:55 a.m., LALD-A stated "He moved in 9 years ago, so the form was the home care services at that time and there was no AL contract. I have a current service agreement." No further information provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 430			
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: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure food was prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 3 resident's health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated July 22, 2024, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee within 24 hours of the inspection. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.	0 480			
0 790 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2 (a) (2)-(3) Fire protection and physical environment (2) install and maintain portable fire extinguishers in accordance with the State Fire Code; (3) install portable fire extinguishers having a minimum 2-A:10-B:C rating within Group R-3 occupancies, as defined by the State Fire Code, located so that the travel distance to the nearest fire extinguisher does not exceed 75 feet, and maintained in accordance with the State Fire Code; and This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the licensee failed to maintain the portable fire extinguishers.	0 790			

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0 790	Continued From page 4 This deficient condition had the potential to affect all staff, residents, and visitors. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: On July 24, 2024, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., survey staff toured the facility with licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A and assistant manager (AM)-D. The portable fire extinguishers throughout the facility lacked records to show monthly visual inspections were complete. Documentation is required to demonstrate fire extinguishers have been inspected by facility personnel monthly, and annually replaced with a new extinguisher or serviced annually by a certified technician. On July 24, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., survey staff explained to LALD-A and AM-D that the portable fire extinguishers must be provided monthly visual inspections or "quick checks" of each extinguisher by their employees to ensure all portable extinguishers are readily available, fully charged, and operable at their designated location with no obvious physical damage or condition to the extinguisher that would prevent their operation when needed. LALD-A stated they understood the requirements.	0 790			

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0 790	Continued From page 5 No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	0 790			
0 810 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2 (b)-(f) Fire protection and physical environment (b) Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans. The plans shall include but are not limited to: (1) location and number of resident sleeping rooms; (2) employee actions to be taken in the event of a fire or similar emergency; (3) fire protection procedures necessary for residents; and (4) procedures for resident movement, evacuation, or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including the identification of unique or unusual resident needs for movement or evacuation. (c) Employees of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans upon hiring and at least twice per year thereafter. (d) Fire safety and evacuation plans shall be readily available at all times within the facility. (e) Residents who are capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained on the proper actions to take in the event of a fire to include movement, evacuation, or relocation. The training shall be made available to residents at least once per year. (f) Evacuation drills are required for employees twice per year per shift with at least one evacuation drill every other month. Evacuation of the residents is not required. Fire alarm system activation is not required to initiate the evacuation	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 6 drill. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to develop the fire safety and evacuation plan with the required content. This had the potential to directly affect all residents, staff, and visitors. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: On July 24, 2024, licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A provided documents on the fire safety and evacuation plan (FSEP), fire safety and evacuation training, and evacuation drills for the facility. FIRE SAFETY AND EVACUATION PLAN: The licensee's FSEP, titled "Fire - Fire Emergency", undated, failed to include the following: The FSEP included standard employee procedures but failed to provide specific employee actions to take in the event of a fire or similar emergency relative to the facility's building layout and environmental risks. The plan included instructions to "leave the building using the designated escape routes" but failed to include	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 7 procedures for how staff are to evacuate the residents. The FSEP did not identify specific fire protection actions for residents. There was no section in the policy that addressed the responsibilities or basic evacuation procedures that residents should follow in case of a fire or similar emergency. The FSEP included standard resident evacuation procedures but failed to provide specific procedures for resident movement and evacuation or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including individualized unique needs of residents. The plan included instructions to evacuate residents but did not include any procedures for assisting residents during evacuation nor did it include instructions for staff to follow in case of relocation. On July 24, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., LALD-A stated they understood the areas of their policy that were incomplete and would work on bringing them into compliance. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days.	0 810			
0 900 SS=D	144G.50 Subdivision 1 Contract required (a) An assisted living facility may not offer or provide housing or assisted living services to any individual unless it has executed a written contract with the resident. (b) The contract must contain all the terms concerning the provision of: (1) housing; (2) assisted living services, whether provided directly by the facility or by management	0 900			

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0 900	Continued From page 8 agreement or other agreement; and (3) the resident's service plan, if applicable. (c) A facility must: (1) offer to prospective residents and provide to the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care a complete unsigned copy of its contract; and (2) give a complete copy of any signed contract and any addendums, and all supporting documents and attachments, to the resident promptly after a contract and any addendum has been signed. (d) A contract under this section is a consumer contract under sections 325G.29 to 325G.37. (e) Before or at the time of execution of the contract, the facility must offer the resident the opportunity to identify a designated representative according to subdivision 3. (f) The resident must agree in writing to any additions or amendments to the contract. Upon agreement between the resident and the facility, a new contract or an addendum to the existing contract must be executed and signed. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview, and record review, the licensee failed to develop and execute a written contract with the required content for one of two residents (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) 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:	0 900			

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0 900	Continued From page 9 R1 was admitted on October 27, 2015. R1's current Service Plan dated June 3, 2024, indicated R1 received services included bathing assistance, deep clean resident's room weekly, CPAP maintenance, dental care, dressing, escort, housekeeping daily, laundry weekly, medication administration, nebulizer maintenance, prosthetic device twice a day, TED stocking assist, and toileting assist. On July 22, 2024, at 11:08 a.m. clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B provided R1's record to include a signed contract dated June 3, 2024, and lacked a signed contract. On July 23, 2024, at 8:55 a.m., licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A stated "He moved in 9 years ago, so the form was the home care services at that time and there was no AL contract. I have a current service agreement." On July 23, 2024, at 9:39 a.m. LALD-A questioned surveyor if a contract should be signed from R1. LALD-A stated, "I did not even think of that". No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 900			
01470 SS=D	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	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 10 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. (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	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 11 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 orientation to assisted living statutes included all the required content for one of one employee (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-C). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, 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 July 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. licensed assisted living director (LALD)-A stated the licensee was aware of required content to be in employee records. ULP-C was hired July 11, 2022, and had begun providing direct care services for licensee's residents.	01470			

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01470	Continued From page 12 On July 23, 2024, at 8:29 a.m. clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B provided ULP-C's record to include ULP-C's completed educare (educational training system) transcript. ULP-C's employee record lacked training regarding the following: - an overview of assisted living statutes; -assisted living bill of rights; -consumer advocacy services; -review of types of assisted living services the employee will provide and provider's scope of license; -the principles of person-centered planning and service delivery and how they apply to direct support services provided by the staff; and -orientation to each specific resident and services. On July 24, 2024, at 1:17 p.m., LALD-A stated the LALD-A and the clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B had oversight of the staff education. The LALD stated the licensee had switched to a different education system that would help assist in the licensee's staff meeting the education requirements. The licensee's Assisted Living Orientation- ULP Stall policy dated April 29, 2024, indicated newly hired unlicensed personnel would receive orientation and training on topics required by the Minnesota statute and rules for assisted living organizations. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01470			

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01490	Continued From page 13	01490			
01490 SS=D	144G.63 Subd. 4 Training required relating to dementia All direct care staff and supervisors providing direct services must demonstrate an understanding of the training specified in section 144G.64. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure employees received the required hours of initial and annual dementia care training for one of one employee (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-C). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety) and was issued at 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: ULP-C began employment on July 11, 2022, and provided direct care services to residents. On July 23, 2024, at 8:29 a.m. clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B provided ULP-C's employee record to include ULP-C's completed educare (educational training system) transcript. ULP-C's employee record lacked dementia care training upon hire and 0.50 hours of dementia training completed on March 8, 2024.	01490			

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01490	Continued From page 14 ULP-C's employee record lacked documentation of at least eight hours of initial dementia training within 160 working hours of the employment start date and two hours annually including: (1) an explanation of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias; (2) assistance with activities of daily living; (3) problem solving challenging behaviors; (4) communication skills; and (5) person-centered planning and service delivery. On July 24, 2024, at 1:17 p.m., LALD-A stated the LALD-A and the clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B had oversight of the staff education. The LALD stated the licensee had switched to a different education system that would help assist in the licensee's staff meeting the education requirements. The licensee's Dementia Training policy, dated April 9, 2024, indicated all staff would receive the required training on dementia care during orientation and annually. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01490			
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:	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 15 (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 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	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 16 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 employee received at least eight (8) hours of training for each 12 months of employment for one of one employee (unlicensed personnel (ULP)-C). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, 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: ULP-C was hired on July 11, 2022, to provide direct care to licensee's residents. On July 23, 2024, at 8:29 a.m. clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B provided ULP-C's employee record to include ULP-C's completed educare (educational training system) transcript. On ULP-C's employee record lacked required annual training as follows: -effective approaches to use to problem sole	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 17 when working with resident's challenging behaviors, and how to communicate with residents who have dementia, Alzheimer's disease, or related disorders; -review of provider's policies and procedures; -principles of person-centered planning/services delivery; -hearing loss; and -dementia training -two hours annually. On July 24, 2024, at 1:17 p.m., LALD-A stated the LALD-A and the clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B had oversight of the staff education. The LALD stated the licensee had switched to a different education system that would help assist in the licensee's staff meeting the education requirements. The licensee's annual and training policy dated April 9, 2024, indicated direct -care staff would complete eight hours of annual training for each 12 months of employment. All assisted living employees would complete annual education on the following topics: a. Reporting of maltreatment of vulnerable adults under section 626.557 b. Assisted living bill or rights c. Staff responsibility related to ensuring the exercise and protection in the assisted living bill of rights d. Infection control techniques used in the home and implementation of infection control standards including i. Hand washing ii. Need for and use of protective gloves, gowns, and masks iii. Appropriate disposal of contaminated materials and equipment such as dressings, needles, syringes, and razor blades iv. Disinfecting reusable equipment	01500			

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01500	Continued From page 18 v. Disinfecting environmental surfaces vi. Reporting communicable diseases e. Effective approaches for problem solving when working with challenging behaviors f. Effective approaches for communication with residents with dementia, Alzheimer's disease or related disorders g. Review of policies and procedures relating to the provision of assisted living services and how to implement them h. Principles of person-centered planning and service delivery i. How person-centered planning and service delivery applies to direct support services provided by staff j. Emergency and disaster training No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	01500			
01620 SS=F	144G.70 Subd. 2 (c-e) Initial reviews, assessments, and monitoring (c) Resident reassessment and monitoring must be conducted no more than 14 calendar days after initiation of services. Ongoing resident reassessment and monitoring must be conducted as needed based on changes in the needs of the resident and cannot exceed 90 calendar days from the last date of the assessment. (d) 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	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 19 be conducted as needed based on changes in the needs of the resident and cannot exceed 90 calendar days from the date of the last review. (e) 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 interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the registered nurse (RN) completed a comprehensive nursing assessment to include all areas per Minnesota Administrative Rule 4659.0150 Uniform Assessment Tool within the required timeframes for two of two residents (R1 and 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) 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: On July 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. upon entrance conference clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B stated resident's comprehensive assessments are completed upon admission date, 14-days after, every 90 days thereafter or upon change of condition. R1	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 20 R1 was admitted on October 27, 2015 On July 22, 2024, at 11:08 a.m. CNS-B provided R1's completed assessment history. The assessment history indicated the most recent comprehensive 90-day Clinical Update assessment was completed on May 14, 2024. The previous comprehensive 90-day Clinical Update was completed on December 6, 2023, 160 days between each assessment. Prior comprehensive 90-day Clinical Update assessment was completed on August 19, 2023, 109 days between assessment. R2 R2 was admitted on June 24, 2024. On July 22, 2024, at 11:25 a.m. CNS-B provided R2's completed assessment history. The admission assessment was completed on June 24, 2024, and the 14- day Clinical Update assessment was completed July 15, 2024, 24 days apart. On July 24, 2024, at 1:20 p.m. CNS-B stated CNS-B had oversight of the licensee's resident's comprehensive assessments. CNS-B stated they were aware of the assessments being behind and the CNS-B had lost track of the dates the assessments were required to be completed. CNS-B stated that they are working on fixing the process to ensure the assessments are completed as required. The licensee's Initial and On-going Nursing Assessment of Residents policy dated January 5, 2024, indicated residents would have a completed comprehensive nursing assessment pre-admission, 14-day after starting services, and ongoing completed every 90-days.	01620			

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01620	Continued From page 21 No further information provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01620			
01770 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 9 Documentation of medication setup Documentation of dates of medication setup, name of medication, quantity of dose, times to be administered, route of administration, and name of person completing medication setup must be done at the time of setup. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure documentation of medication setup included the required content 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 July 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-B stated the licensee provided medication management services to their residents, including medication setup.	01770			

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01770	Continued From page 22 R2's Service Plan dated June 24, 2024, indicated she received the service of medication administration. On July 22, 2024, at 11:25 a.m. CNS-B provided R2's record that included the medication admission record from the month of July and the service record for the month of July. R2's record lacked documentation by the licensed nurse at the time of setup to include the name of medication, quantity of dose, times to be administered, and route of administration. On July 23, 2024, at 8:25 a.m. surveyor observed unlicensed personnel (ULP)-C obtain R2's mediset for R2's morning medication administration. On July 23, 2024, at 10:03 a.m. CNS-B stated they had not documented the medications set up for R2 as the medication was temporary and would be getting bubble packs from the pharmacy. The licensee's Medication Administration System-Dosage Box Set-Up policy dated January 22, 2024, indicated when the licensed nurse had completed setting up the medications into the dosage box, the nurse would document each individual medication that has been set up on the medication administration record. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD TO CORRECT: Seven (7) Days	01770			



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Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report

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Location:

Tree Of Life Assisted Living
632 Main Street
New Munich, MN56356
Stearns County, 73

Establishment Info:

ID #: 0039401
Risk:
Announced Inspection: No

License Categories:

Expires on: / /

Operator:

Phone #: 3208375100
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.

4-100 Equipment Construction Materials

4-101.19

MN Rule 4626.0495 Remove non-food-contact surfaces of equipment that are exposed to splash, spillage, or other food soiling, or that require frequent cleaning, that are not constructed of a corrosion-resistant, non-absorbent, and smooth material.

THE WOODEN PANTRY IS NOT APPROVED FOR FOOD STORAGE. STORE SPICES, HERBS, ETC. IN DRY STORAGE ROOM.

Comply By: 07/29/24

4-200 Equipment Design and Construction

4-201.11AMN

MN Rule 4626.0506A Provide or replace food service equipment with equipment that is certified or classified for sanitation by an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited certification program.

THE BREVILLE AIR FRYER IS NOT AN APPROVED APPLIANCE. REMOVE AND REPLACE WITH ANSI CERTIFIED APPLIANCE.

Comply By: 07/23/24

Surface and Equipment Sanitizers

Quaternary Ammonia: = 200 PPM at Degrees Fahrenheit
Location: WIPING CLOTH BUCKET
Violation Issued: No

Hot Water: = at 172 Degrees Fahrenheit
Location: DISHWASHER FINAL RINSE CYCLE
Violation Issued: No

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Food and Equipment Temperatures

Process/Item: Upright Cooler

Temperature: 41 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: CHOPPED LETTUCE IN #1 COOLER

Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: Upright Cooler

Temperature: 41 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: SLICED HAM IN #2 COOLER

Violation Issued: No

Process/Item: Upright Cooler

Temperature: 40 Degrees Fahrenheit - Location: COOKED PASTA IN #3 COOLER

Violation Issued: No

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

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 1041241160 of 07/22/24.

Certified Food Protection Manager: TINA VALERIUS

Certification Number: 80801 Expires: 06/03/27

Inspection report reviewed with person in charge and emailed.

Signed: _____
Establishment Representative

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