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March 23, 2006

Dean Throntveit, Administrator
Edgewood Vista
4195 Westberg Road
Hermantown, MN 55811

Re: Licensing Follow Up Revisit

Dear Mr. Throntveit:

This is to inform you of the results of a facility visit conducted by staff of the Minnesota Department of Health, Case Mix Review Program, on November 14, 2005.

The documents checked below are enclosed.

- Informational Memorandum
Items noted and discussed at the facility visit including status of outstanding licensing correction orders.
- MDH Correction Order and Licensed Survey Form
Correction order(s) issued pursuant to visit of your facility.
- Notices Of Assessment For Noncompliance With Correction Orders For Home Care Providers

Feel free to call our office if you have any questions at (651) 215-8703.

Sincerely,

Jean Johnston, Program Manager
Case Mix Review Program

Enclosure(s)

cc: Dean Throntveit, President Governing Board
St. Louis County Social Services
Ron Drude, Minnesota Department of Human Services
Sherilyn Moe, Office of Ombudsman for Older Minnesotans
Case Mix Review File

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**Minnesota Department Of Health
Health Policy, Information and Compliance Monitoring Division
Case Mix Review Section**

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

PROVIDER: EDGEWOOD VISTA

DATE OF SURVEY: November 14, 2005

BEDS LICENSED:

HOSP: _____ NH: _____ BCH: _____ SLFA: _____ SLFB: _____

CENSUS:

HOSP: _____ NH: _____ BCH: _____ SLF: _____

BEDS CERTIFIED:

SNF/18: _____ SNF 18/19: _____ NFI: _____ NFII: _____ ICF/MR: _____ OTHER:
ALHCP

NAME (S) AND TITLE (S) OF PERSONS INTERVIEWED:

Monica Sikio, LPN, Nurse Manager
Sara Weller, LPN

SUBJECT: Licensing Survey _____ Licensing Order Follow Up X 1

ITEMS NOTED AND DISCUSSED:

- 1) An unannounced visit was made to follow up on the status of state licensing orders issued as a result of a visit made on July 5, 6, 7, and 8, 2005. The results of the survey were delineated during an exit conference. Refer to Exit Conference Attendance Sheet for the names of individuals attending the exit conference. The status of the correction orders is as follows:

1. MN Rule 4668.0810 Subp. 5 Corrected

2. MN Rule 4668.0855 Subp. 9 Corrected



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Certified Mail # 7004 1160 0004 8711 8451

September 16, 2005

Dean Throntveit, Administrator
Edgewood Vista
4195 Westberg Road
Duluth, MN 55811

Re: Results of State Licensing Survey

Dear Mr. Throntveit:

The above agency was surveyed on July 5, 6, 7, and 8, 2005 for the purpose of assessing compliance with state licensing regulations. State licensing deficiencies, if found, are delineated on the attached Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) correction order form. The correction order form should be signed and returned to this office when all orders are corrected. We urge you to review these orders carefully, item by item, and if you find that any of the orders are not in accordance with your understanding at the time of the exit conference following the survey, you should immediately contact me, or the RN Program Coordinator. If further clarification is necessary, I can arrange for an informal conference at which time your questions relating to the order(s) can be discussed.

A final version of the Licensing Survey Form is enclosed. This document will be posted on the MDH website.

Also attached is an optional Provider questionnaire, which is a self-mailer, which affords the provider with an opportunity to give feedback on the survey experience.

Please feel free to call our office with any questions at (651) 215-8703.

Sincerely,

Jean Johnston, Program Manager
Case Mix Review Program

Enclosures

cc: Dean Throntveit, President Governing Body
Kelly Crawford, Minnesota Department of Human Services
St. Louis County Social Services
Sherilyn Moe, Office of the Ombudsman
CMR File

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Assisted Living Home Care Provider
LICENSING SURVEY FORM

Registered nurses from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) use the Licensing Survey Form during an on-site visit to evaluate the care provided by Assisted Living home care providers (ALHCP). The ALHCP licensee may also use the form to monitor the quality of services provided to clients at any time. Licensees may use their completed Licensing Survey Form to help communicate to MDH nurses during an on-site regulatory visit.

During an on-site visit, MDH nurses will interview ALHCP staff, make observations, and review some of the agency's documentation. The nurses may also talk to clients and/or their representatives. This is an opportunity for the licensee to explain to the MDH nurse what systems are in place to provide Assisted Living services. Completing the Licensing Survey Form in advance may expedite the survey process.

Licensing requirements listed below are reviewed during a survey. A determination is made whether the requirements are met or not met for each Indicator of Compliance box. This form must be used in conjunction with a copy of the ALHCP home care regulations. Any violations of ALHCP licensing requirements are noted at the end of the survey form.

Name of ALHCP: EDGEWOOD VISTA

HFID # (MDH internal use): 20852

Date(s) of Survey: July 5, 6, 7, and 8, 2005

Project # (MDH internal use): QL20852002

Indicators of Compliance	Outcomes Observed	Comments
1. The agency only accepts and retains clients for whom it can meet the needs as agreed to in the service plan. (MN Rules 4668.0050, 4668.0800 Subpart 3, 4668.0815, 4668.0825, 4668.0845, 4668.0865)	Each client has an assessment and service plan developed by a registered nurse within 2 weeks and prior to initiation of delegated nursing services, reviewed at least annually, and as needed. The service plan accurately describes the client's needs. Care is provided as stated in the service plan. The client and/or representative understands what care will be provided and what it costs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction <input type="checkbox"/> Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided

Indicators of Compliance	Outcomes Observed	Comments
<p>2. Agency staff promote the clients' rights as stated in the Minnesota Home Care Bill of Rights. (MN Statute 144A.44; MN Rule 4668.0030)</p>	<p>No violations of the MN Home Care Bill of Rights (BOR) are noted during observations, interviews, or review of the agency's documentation. Clients and/or their representatives receive a copy of the BOR when (or before) services are initiated. There is written acknowledgement in the client's clinical record to show that the BOR was received (or why acknowledgement could not be obtained).</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction <input type="checkbox"/> Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>
<p>3. The health, safety, and well being of clients are protected and promoted. (MN Statutes 144A.44; 144A.46 Subd. 5(b), 144D.07, 626.557; MN Rules 4668.0065, 4668.0805)</p>	<p>Clients are free from abuse or neglect. Clients are free from restraints imposed for purposes of discipline or convenience. Agency staff observe infection control requirements. There is a system for reporting and investigating any incidents of maltreatment. There is adequate training and supervision for all staff. Criminal background checks are performed as required.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction <input type="checkbox"/> Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>
<p>4. The agency has a system to receive, investigate, and resolve complaints from its clients and/or their representatives. (MN Rule 4668.0040)</p>	<p>There is a formal system for complaints. Clients and/or their representatives are aware of the complaint system. Complaints are investigated and resolved by agency staff.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction <input type="checkbox"/> Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>
<p>5. The clients' confidentiality is maintained. (MN Statute 144A.44; MN Rule 4668.0810)</p>	<p>Client personal information and records are secure. Any information about clients is released only to appropriate parties. Permission to release information is obtained, as required, from clients and/or their representatives.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Correction <input type="checkbox"/> Order(s) issued <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>
<p>6. Changes in a client's condition are recognized and acted upon. (MN Rules 4668.0815, 4668.0820, 4668.0825)</p>	<p>A registered nurse is contacted when there is a change in a client's condition that requires a nursing assessment or reevaluation, a change in the services and/or there is a problem with providing services as stated in the service plan. Emergency and medical services are contacted, as needed. The client and/or representative is informed when changes occur.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction <input type="checkbox"/> Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>

Indicators of Compliance	Outcomes Observed	Comments
<p>7. The agency employs (or contracts with) qualified staff. (MN Statutes 144D.065; 144A.45, Subd. 5; MN Rules 4668.0070, 4668.0820, 4668.0825, 4668.0030, 4668.0835, 4668.0840)</p>	<p>Staff have received training and/or competency evaluations as required, including training in dementia care, if applicable. Nurse licenses are current. The registered nurse(s) delegates nursing tasks only to staff who are competent to perform the procedures that have been delegated. The process of delegation and supervision is clear to all staff and reflected in their job descriptions.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>
<p>8. Medications are stored and administered safely. (MN Rules 4668.0800 Subpart 3, 4668.0855, 4668.0860)</p>	<p>The agency has a system for the control of medications. Staff are trained by a registered nurse prior to administering medications. Medications and treatments administered are ordered by a prescriber. Medications are properly labeled. Medications and treatments are administered as prescribed. Medications and treatments administered are documented.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Correction Order(s) issued <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education provided <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
<p>9. Continuity of care is promoted for clients who are discharged from the agency. (MN Statute 144A.44, 144D.04; MN Rules 4668.0050, 4668.0170, 4668.0800, 4668.0870)</p>	<p>Clients are given information about other home care services available, if needed. Agency staff follow any Health Care Declarations of the client. Clients are given advance notice when services are terminated by the ALHCP. Medications are returned to the client or properly disposed of at discharge from a HWS.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
<p>10. The agency has a current license. (MN Statutes 144D.02, 144D.04, 144D.05, 144A.46; MN Rule 4668.0012 Subp.17)</p> <p>Note: MDH will make referrals to the Attorney General's office for violations of MN Statutes 144D or 325F.72; and make other referrals, as needed.</p>	<p>The ALHCP license (and other licenses or registrations as required) are posted in a place that communicates to the public what services may be provided. The agency operates within its license(s).</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> Correction Order(s) issued <input type="checkbox"/> Education provided</p>

Please note: Although the focus of the licensing survey is the regulations listed in the Indicators of Compliance boxes above, other violations may be cited depending on what systems a provider has or fails to have in place and/or the severity of a violation. Also, the results of the focused licensing survey may result in an expanded survey where additional interviews, observations, and documentation reviews are conducted.

Survey Results:

_____ All Indicators of Compliance listed above were met.

For Indicators of Compliance not met and/or education provided, list the number, regulation number, and example(s) of deficient practice noted:

Indicator of Compliance	Regulation	Correction Order Issued	Education provided	Statement(s) of Deficient Practice/Education:
5	MN Rule 4668.0810 Subp. 5 Documentation	X	X	<p>Based on observation, record review and interview, the licensee failed to ensure services provided to the client were documented in the client's record for two of three clients (# A1 and #A2) reviewed in housing with services A and one of four clients (#C1) reviewed in housing with services C. The findings include:</p> <p>Client # A1's service plan, dated October 27, 2003, indicated the licensed practical nurse (LPN) was to provide diabetic nail care monthly and as needed. The client's record lacked documentation that the monthly nail care had been provided. During an interview June 5, 2005, the registered nurse (RN) indicated the LPN had completed the nail care, but had not documented the care in the client's record.</p> <p>Client #A2's service plan, dated April 7, 2005, indicated the client was to receive nail care monthly and as needed by the LPN and TED (compression) stockings were to be put on in the morning and taken off in the evening by unlicensed staff. The client's record lacked documentation that the nail care had been provided or that the TED stockings had been put on as stated in the service plan. During an interview July 6, 2005, the client indicated the unlicensed staff provided the nail care as needed. The client also stated that staff put the TED stockings on in the morning and took them off at night. The client was observed with TED</p>

Indicator of Compliance	Regulation	Correction Order Issued	Education provided	Statement(s) of Deficient Practice/Education:
				<p>stockings on at the time of the interview. When interviewed July 6, 2005, the RN confirmed the services were not documented in the client's record.</p> <p>Client #C1 had a physician's order, dated May 7, 2001, for TED stockings. The client's service plan also indicated unlicensed staff were to apply the TED stockings. The client's record lacked documentation that the TED stockings had been applied during June 2005. The client was observed July 6, 2005 with the TED stockings on. During an interview July 6, 2005, the RN confirmed the application of the TED stockings was not documented in the client's record.</p> <p><u>Education:</u> Provided</p>
8	MN Rule 4668.0855 Subp. 9 Medication records	X	X	<p>Based on record review and interview, the licensee failed to ensure medications were documented to include the dosage given for one of three clients (#B2) reviewed in housing with services B and the reason a medication was not administered as ordered for one of four clients (#C3) reviewed in housing with services C. The findings include:</p> <p>Client #B2 had a physician's order, dated May 5, 2005, to increase an antipsychotic medication to 2 mg. (milligrams) every day at bedtime. The medication administration record for May 2005 indicated the client was to receive the antipsychotic medication as 1 mg. at bedtime. The 1 mg. had been changed to 2 mg. by writing with black ink over the "1" with a "2." It could not be determined when the change was made on the medication administration record and/or when the client received the first dose of the antipsychotic</p>

Indicator of Compliance	Regulation	Correction Order Issued	Education provided	Statement(s) of Deficient Practice/Education:
				<p>medication at 2 mg. During an interview July 6, 2005, the registered nurse (RN) confirmed the preceding information and indicated the previous order should have been discontinued on the medication administration record and a new entry made when the order was changed.</p> <p>Client #C3 had a physician's order, dated June 27, 2005, for an ointment three times a day for five days. The June 2005 medication administration record indicated the ointment had only been applied twice a day on June 28, 29, and 30, 2005. When interviewed June 6, 2005 the RN confirmed the preceding findings.</p> <p><u>Education:</u> Provided</p>

A draft copy of this completed form was left with Kim Wiarda at an exit conference on July 8, 2005. Any correction orders issued as a result of the on-site visit and the final Licensing Survey Form will arrive by certified mail to the licensee within 3 weeks of this exit conference (see Correction Order form HE-01239-03). If you have any questions about the Licensing Survey Form or the survey results, please contact the Minnesota Department of Health, (651) 215-8703. After supervisory review, this form will be posted on the MDH website. General information about ALHCP is also available on the website:

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/cms/alhcp/alhcpsurvey.htm>

Regulations can be viewed on the Internet: <http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/stats> (for MN statutes) <http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/arule/> (for MN Rules).

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