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# State Rapid Response Investigative Public Report

Office of Health Facility Complaints

Maltreatment Report #: HL312503786M Compliance #: HL312506294C Date Concluded: January 11, 2023

Name, Address, and County of Licensee Investigated:

Elk Ridge Assisted Living

826 7<sup>th</sup> Ave SW Perham, MN 56573 Ottertail County

Facility Type: Assisted Living Facility (ALF)

**Evaluator's Name:** Jana Wegener, RN - Special Investigator

Finding: Substantiated, individual responsibility

# Nature of Visit:

The Minnesota Department of Health investigated an allegation of maltreatment, in accordance with the Minnesota Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults Act, Minn. Stat. 626.557, and to evaluate compliance with applicable licensing standards for the provider type.

# **Initial Investigation Allegation(s):**

The alleged perpetrators (AP)1, and AP2 financially exploited a resident by drug diversion when the resident's hydromorphone, Dilaudid, tablets (a narcotic pain medication) were taken for their own personal use.

# **Investigative Findings and Conclusion:**

The Minnesota Department of Health determined financial exploitation was substantiated. Based on a preponderance of evidence, AP1 was responsible for the maltreatment. AP1 continued to reorder the residents Hydromorphone (Dilaudid), a narcotic pain medication, although there was no indication the resident received the hydromorphone. AP1 indicated on the resident's active medication lists sent to the provider the resident was receiving hydromorphone. However, the resident's facility medical record contained no documentation

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the resident received 720 tablets of hydromorphone the pharmacy dispensed to the facility for the resident.

The investigator conducted interviews with facility staff members, including administrative staff, nursing staff, and unlicensed staff. The investigator contacted law enforcement, the resident's pharmacy, and family. The investigation included a review of outside medical records, facility provided records including controlled drug shift to shift counts, progress notes, and medication administration records. The investigator reviewed resident records obtained from prior facility surveys. Observations were completed of the facility medication administration system.

The resident was admitted to the facility with diagnoses including a malignant tumor of the left breast, pressure injury of the buttocks, and received hospice services. The resident required full medication management services including set up and administration of medications. The care plan indicated AP1 was responsible to complete a review of medications prescribed to the

resident with the provider and pharmacy.

When interviewed the pharmacy stated the resident's hydromorphone was refilled and picked up or delivered to the facility approximately eight times in the previous year. Pharmacy provided documentation included electronic prescriptions for hydromorphone, 2 milligram (mg) tablets, and monthly audit logs indicating the resident received eight refills of hydromorphone for a total of 720 tablets. A pharmacy delivery sheet for one of the month's indicated hydrocodone was delivered to the facility for the resident. AP1 signed and dated the pharmacy delivery sheet indicating AP1 received the resident's hydromorphone from the pharmacy. However, there was no documentation the hydrocodone was administered to the resident, nor was there any record the hydrocodone was received by the facility.

The facility provided resident's medication administration record failed to include hydromorphone as an active prescription, and there was no indication the resident received any of the 720 tablets of hydrocodone dispensed by the pharmacy.

The facility provided Pill Count History Report for the resident for the prior six months had no documentation of hydromorphone ever being entered into the resident record, administered, or counted.

The residents outside medical record included faxes from AP1 to the resident's provider which included hydromorphone listed as an active medication the resident was currently receiving at the facility. The provider later discontinued the resident's hydromorphone and ordered a drug screen to be completed for the resident. The facility record lacked documentation the facility completed the drug screen according to physician orders.

When interviewed staff stated when completing the controlled drug shift to shift counts, they did not count any hydromorphone for the resident, and they did not recall hydromorphone on the resident medication administration record.

When interviewed a nurse stated staff reported hydromorphone was dropped off by the pharmacy for the resident. The nurse stated when she went to check the medication in, staff reported AP2, an unlicensed staff, took the resident's hydromorphone medication refill because the resident was "allergic to it". The nurse stated hydromorphone was not on the resident's medication administration record to be administered or counted, and she was not aware the resident was prescribed hydromorphone. The nurse stated she called the pharmacy for clarification and was informed the resident had received regular refills of hydromorphone.

While onsite investigators observed one prescription refill on two separate bubble pack cards containing 90 tablets of the resident's hydromorphone medication locked in a cabinet in AP1's office. The prescription label on the hydromorphone indicated it was the residents hydromorphone refill AP2 had taken after indicating the resident was allergic to it.

When interviewed AP1 stated the resident previously received hydromorphone regularly when she was on hospice. AP1 stated although the resident was no longer receiving hospice services, AP1 continued to reorder the hydromorphone based on AP1's "memory" because that was how she did it in the old electronic medical record system. AP1 stated after law enforcement questioned her and AP2 regarding the residents missing hydromorphone (when AP2 removed the resident's hydrocodone due to allergy), AP1 locked the two hydromorphone bubble packs in her office. AP1 denied taking the residents hydromorphone for her own personal use and did not know what happened to the other 630 hydromorphone tablets that were dispensed to the resident from the pharmacy. AP1 stated the residents drug screening was not completed according to physician orders because the resident wasn't taking hydromorphone and there would not have been any medication that would have showed up on a drug screening.

In conclusion, financial exploitation by drug diversion was substantiated.

# Substantiated: Minnesota Statutes, section 626.5572, Subdivision 19.

"Substantiated" means a preponderance of evidence shows that an act that meets the definition of maltreatment occurred.

# Financial exploitation: Minnesota Statutes, section 626.5572, subdivision 9

"Financial exploitation" means:

# (b) In the absence of legal authority a person:

(1) willfully uses, withholds, or disposes of funds or property of a vulnerable adult;
 (2) obtains for the actor or another the performance of services by a third person for the wrongful profit or advantage of the actor or another to the detriment of the vulnerable adult;
 (3) acquires possession or control of, or an interest in, funds or property of a vulnerable adult through the use of undue influence, harassment, duress, deception, or fraud; or
 (4) forces, compels, coerces, or entices a vulnerable adult against the vulnerable adult's will to perform services for the profit or advantage of another.

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Vulnerable Adult interviewed: No, unable. Family/Responsible Party interviewed: Yes Alleged Perpetrator interviewed: Yes

# Action taken by facility:

The facility updated the medication management of controlled medications to prevent diversion and educated staff.

# Action taken by the Minnesota Department of Health:

The facility was found to be in noncompliance. To view a copy of the Statement of Deficiencies and/or correction orders, please visit:

https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/regulation/directory/provcompselect.html

If you are viewing this report on the MDH website, please see the attached Statement of Deficiencies.

You may also call 651-201-4890 to receive a copy via mail or email

The responsible party will be notified of their right to appeal the maltreatment finding. If the maltreatment is substantiated against an identified employee, this report will be submitted to the nurse aide registry for possible inclusion of the finding on the abuse registry and/or to the Minnesota Department of Human Services for possible disqualification in accordance with the provisions of the background study requirements under Minnesota 245C.

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The Office of Ombudsman for Long Term Care The Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Ottertail County Attorney Perham City Attorney Perham Police Department Minnesota Board of Nursing Minnesota Board of Pharmacy Drug Enforcement Administration

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In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.08 to 144G.95, these correction orders are issued pursuant to a complaint investigation.

Determination of whether a violation is corrected requires compliance with all requirements provided at the statute number indicated below. When a Minnesota Statute contains several items, failure to comply with any of the items will be considered lack of compliance.

**INITIAL COMMENTS:** 

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On November 29, 2022, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a complaint investigation at the above provider, and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the complaint investigation, there were 6 residents receiving services under the provider's Assisted Living license.

The following immediate correction orders are issued for #HI 312506294C/#HI 312503786M and

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 requirement after the statement, "This Minnesota requirement is not met as evidenced by." Following the surveyors ' findings is the Time Period for Correction.

Per Minnesota Statute §144G.30, Subd. 5 (c), the assisted living facilities must document any action taken to comply with the correction order. A copy of the provider ' s records documenting those actions may be requested for follow-up surveys. The home care provider is not required to submit a plan of correction for approval; please disregard the heading of the fourth column, which states "Provider ' s Plan of Correction."

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> Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) surveyor had access to records in a timely manner in order to complete maltreatment investigations into potential drug diversion. The licensee was unable to provide requested records for two of two (R1 and R3) residents reviewed.

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). Findings include:			
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R1's medication administration record (MAR), administration documentation, tracking of the hydromorphone drug including shift to shift counts, and disposition of the hydromorphone medication was requested, for June 2022, to November 2022. The facility only provided R1's MAR for November 2022, which failed to include the residents physician order for hydromorphone, despite the medication not being discontinued until November 2, 2022, by R1's provider.

R3's Care Plan dated October 8, 2022, indicated R3's diagnoses included congestive heart failure, depression, and chronic pain. R3 required staff assistance with medication management including set-up and dispensing medications to R3.

Despite numerous requests from the surveyor, the licensee failed to provide R3's MAR for June through October 2022.

R3's medication administration record (MAR)

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dated November 2022, indicated R2 received Oxycodone 5 mg three times a day at 8:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m.			
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This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by:

Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the accountability of controlled substances for two of two residents (R1 and R3), reviewed with missing narcotic medications. R1 had 720 hydromorphone tablets, and R3 had 19 oxycodone tablets, (both narcotic medication) dispensed by the pharmacy and delivered to the facility. The facility had no documentation of receiving or administering R1 or R3's narcotic pain medication. The facility failed to ensure medication management policies and procedures were developed under the supervision and direction of a registered nurse (RN), licensed health professional, or pharmacist consistent with current practice standards. The facilities lack of systems to prevent narcotic diversion had the potential to affect all current and future residents

	prescribed narcotic medication.			
	The facility's lack of medication systems to prevent narcotic diversion resulted in an immediate correction order on December 8, 2022.			
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Findings include:

R1 was admitted to the facility on July 3, 2022, with diagnoses including malignant tumor of the left breast, pressure injury of the buttocks, and spinal stenosis of the lumbar region.

R1's facility assessment dated December 2, 2022, indicated R1 required medication management services, and reported no pain.

R1's facility care plan updated by registered nurse (RN)-A on November 22, 2022, indicated the resident required assistance with medication administration, monitoring, and documentation of medications. R1's care plan indicated the resident required full medication management setup. The

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hydromorphone 2 mg as needed (PRN), up to three times daily with a start date of February 27, 2022, which indicated the date R2 was initially prescribed the hydromorphone. The record included an encounter dated November 2, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. which indicated R2's provider was at the facility to follow up on her pressure injury and diabetes. The record included a fax from the facility RN-A with R1's current medication list as of November 1, 2022, the med list included hydromorphone 2 mg for pain or discomfort as needed; with instruction to take one tablet by mouth up to three times daily, at least four hours apart. The encounter note indicated the resident had chronic pain but denied pain when assessed. The provider ordered to discontinue the medication and ordered a drug screen to be completed for R2. A review of the record indicated the drug screen was never completed by the facility.

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medication was requested, for June 2022, to November 2022; however, the facility only provided R1's MAR for November 2022, which failed to include the resident had a physician order for hydromorphone, despite the medication not being discontinued until November 2, 2022, by R2's provider.			
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December 2, 2022, lacked any documentation of hydromorphone being administered, ordered, or received by the facility.

On December 7, 2022, at 12:59 p.m. Pharmacy Director (PD)-F stated RN-A called the pharmacy for refill's of R2's hydromorphone. The pharmacy would then contacted R2's provider, who would send the electronic prescription to the pharmacy. After the medication was filled, it was either delivered to the facility or picked up by an employee of the facility.

The Pharmacy provided Monthly Audit Logs which indicated R1 had received eight refills of 90, 2 mg tablets of hydromorphone, from March 3, 2022, to October 26, 2022. The electronic prescriptions included the following:

- Prescription number 12009542, filled and received by the facility on March 21, 2022.

- Prescription number 12009561, filled and received by the facility on April 12, 2022.

- Prescription number 12009576, filled and received by the facility on May 3, 2022.

- Prescription number 12009604, filled and received by the facility on May 23, 2022.

	<ul> <li>Prescription number 12003698, filled and received by the facility on August 11, 2022.</li> <li>Prescription number 12009735, filled and received by the facility on September 13, .2022.</li> <li>Prescription number 12009757, filled and received by the facility on September 29, 2022.</li> <li>Prescription number 12009779, filled and received by the facility on October 26, 2022.</li> </ul>			
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dated September 29 prescription number	ided Service Delivery Sheet 9, 2022, Included the r 12009757 for R1 with 90 RN-A; signed for and dated 2.				

During observation on November 29, 2022, at 12:42 p.m. RN-A opened a locked cabinet in her office which contained two separate bubble pack cards (90 tablets) of R1's hydromorphone 2 mg tablets prescription number 12009779, dated October 26, 2022. RN-A stated there was no process for tracking controlled drugs once they entered the facility and controlled drugs were not counted or tracked until the narcotic medication was added to the resident's MAR, at which time the narcotic would be added to the count in the medication cart. RN-A indicated she continued to reorder R1's hydromorphone because that was what she did in the previous electronic medical record system. RN-A stated the dilaudid and other narcotic medications which were locked in her office were not tracked or counted. RN-A indicated she did not know what happened to R1's seven other hydromorphone prescriptions (630 tablets), the pharmacy had record of dispensing to the facility for administration to R1. RN-A stated R1's physician ordered drug screening was not done, and indicated there would be no hydromorphone detected in R1's system because she was not receiving the

	hydromorphone.			
	On December 1, 2022, at 12:05 p.m. licensed practical nurse (LPN)- C stated one day a staff called from R1's building and state hydromorphone was dropped off by the pharmacy for R1. LPN-C stated when she went to log the narcotic medication into the system, a staff	, ,		
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	took the hydromorp "allergic" to it. LPN never on R1's MAR medical record she the resident's medi	icensed personnel (ULP)-B ohone because R1 was I-C stated hydromorphone was R, and when she reviewed R1's found the medication listed on cation list to the provider, but it to be administered to R1.				

LPN-C stated she called the pharmacy and was informed the resident had received regular refills of hydromorphone, however, LPN-C had never seen hydromorphone on R1's MAR, and LPN-C had no knowledge hydromorphone had ever been ordered for R1. LPN-A stated RN-A added the hydromorphone order to R1's MAR on November 1, 2022, after concerns of narcotic drug diversion were brought forward to the facility by law enforcement. The hydromorphone was discontinued by the physician the following day, November 2, 2022.

R1's facility records lacked documentation of R1's hydromorphone prescribed to the resident. The facility failed to enter the medication onto the residents MAR for administration, and failed to ensure the medication was tracked and counted by the facility to prevent diversion. In addition, the facility documentation lacked disposition and destruction of the hydromorphone to prevent and/ or track drug diversion.

#### R3

During observation on November 29, 2022, at 11:15 a.m., the licensee narcotic medication central storage consisted of two locked upper cupboards in the main community room. Unlicensed Personal (ULP)-D unlocked the cupboards and removed a smaller box secured			
with a dial code. The box contained R3's oxycodone medication. ULP-D stated staff keep			
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	track of the number an electronic recon	r of narcotic medications with ciliation system.				
	R3's diagnoses incl depression, and ch	ed October 8, 2022, indicated luded congestive heart failure, ronic pain. R3 required staff ssing, bathing, meal				

preparation, and medication management including set-up and dispensing medications to R3. R3 required a wheeled walker for ambulation. The care plan indicated R3 experienced throbbing pain of the legs and low back and received scheduled oxycodone (opioid medication), which was locked and secured in the facilities central location.

R3's MD (Medical Doctor) orders with an initiation date of May 26, 2022, indicated the resident was prescribed oxycodone 5 milligrams (mg), three times a day for severe pain.

R3's Pill Count History for oxycodone 5 mg tablets from September 1, 2022 through December 2, 2022, was reviewed. On October 21, 2022, at 6:32 a.m. two unlicensed professionals (ULP)'s completed a reconciliation (count) of the narcotic medication for shift change and indicated 108 oxycodone tablets remaining. At 9:07 a.m., ULP-D documented a medication recap which indicated 89 oxycodone tablets remained. There was no additional documentation regarding the 19 missing

	oxycodone tablets.			
	R3's medication administration record (MAR) dated November 2022, indicated R2 received oxycodone 5 mg three times a day at 8:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m.			
	During interview, on November 29, 2022, at 11:15			
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medication and count into the electronic documentation for narcotics. ULP-D stated if the narcotic count was incorrect, staff were educated to report the inconsistent count to RN-A. ULP-D stated all staff have access to the narcotic medication.

During an interview on December 6, 2022, at 8:41 a.m., RN-A stated staff failed to notify her of R3's 19 missing doses of oxycodone.

Review of the licensee's policy and procedure titled Medication Storage with a revised date of August 1, 2021, indicated, when medications were managed and stored by the licensee, medications would be kept securely locked and stored per manufacturer's directions. Only authorized staff would have access to stored medications. The policy stated, "Optional but suggested to protect staff and minimize diversion": Schedule II drugs would be stored under a double lock system and stored separately from other medications. Schedule II drugs would be counted at the beginning and end of every shift, with counts compared to Schedule II

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medications ordered to be administered. The policy lacked processes to prevent diversion including logging-controlled drugs into the facility, ensuring accuracy of medication ordered on the resident's MAR, documenting medication administration, reporting concerns with inaccurate medication reconciliation, and documentation of disposition of medications including witnessed			
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## 02360 144G.91 Subd. 8 Freedom from maltreatment

Residents have the right to be free from physical, sexual, and emotional abuse; neglect; financial exploitation; and all forms of maltreatment covered under the Vulnerable Adults Act.

This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by:

The facility failed to ensure two of two residents reviewed (R1 and R3) were free from maltreatment.

Findings include:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) issued a determination maltreatment occurred, and an individual staff person was responsible for the maltreatment of R1, and the facility was responsible for the maltreatment of R3, in connection with incidents which occurred at the facility. Please refer to the public maltreatment report for details. No Plan of Correction (PoC) required. Please refer to the public maltreatment report (report sent separately) for details of this tag.

	No plan of correction is required for this tag			
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