

New Jersey Department of Health

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A 000	<p>Initial Comments</p> <p>Initial Comments: Census: 71</p> <p>A COVID-19 Focused Infection Control Survey was conducted by the State Agency on 11/10/2020. The facility was found not to be in compliance with the New Jersey Administrative Code 8:36 infection control regulations standards for Licensure of Assisted Living Residences, Comprehensive Personal Care Homes and Assisted Living Programs and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended practices to prepare for COVID-19.</p> <p>The facility must submit a plan of correction, including a completion date for each deficiency and ensure that the plan is implemented. Failure to correct deficiencies may result in enforcement action in accordance with provisions of New Jersey Administrative Code Title 8, Chapter 43E, Enforcement of Licensure Regulations.</p>	A 000		
A1291	<p>8:36-18.3(a)(1) Infection Prevention and Control Services</p> <p>(a) Written policies and procedures shall be established and implemented regarding infection prevention and control, including, but not limited to, policies and procedures for the following:</p> <p>1. In accordance with Chapter II, New Jersey State Sanitary Code, Communicable Diseases, at N.J.A.C. 8:57, a system for investigating, reporting, and evaluating the occurrence of all infections or diseases which are reportable or conditions which may be related to activities and procedures of the facility, and maintaining records for all residents or personnel having</p>	A1291		

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A1291	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>these infections, diseases, or conditions;</p> <p>This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on observations, interviews, record reviews, and New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) issued guidance and Executive Directive, it was determined the facility failed to ensure newly admitted residents were quarantined for 14 days for four (Resident #1, Resident #2, Resident #3, and Resident #4) of four newly admitted residents reviewed. The four residents had been admitted to the facility within the last 14 days. This deficient practice occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic, and had the potential to affect all residents.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>On 11/10/2020, a focused infection control (FIC) survey was conducted at the facility. Information provided to the surveyor on entry to the facility indicated four residents had been admitted to the facility during the last 14 days. Additional information provided indicated there were no residents in the facility under quarantine or isolation as PUIs (persons under investigation).</p> <p>Reference: NJDOH issued Executive Directive, 20-026-1, dated 10/20/2020, indicated, "3. Cohorting, PPE and Training Requirements in Every Phase: "iv. Facilities must continue to follow current NJDOH orders, guidance and directives on admissions and readmissions. Facilities may receive residents who were tested prior to admission/transfer or shortly thereafter, in</p>	A1291		
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A1291	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>the facility, and the test result indicated, "Not Detected."</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 12:50 PM, the Infection Preventionist (IP) was asked if newly admitted residents to the facility were isolated or quarantined as a PUI. The IP stated prior to being admitted, a resident would have a negative COVID-19 test. The IP stated after the resident had been in the facility █ days, a second COVID-19 test would be completed. If the second COVID-19 test came back "negative," the resident could come off strict quarantine.</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 12:50 PM, the ED confirmed the information the IP had shared. The ED and IP were asked to provide the rationale for the practice of releasing a PUI resident from quarantine early based on two negative COVID-19 test results.</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 2:26 PM, the Executive Director (ED) stated they had implemented discontinuing quarantine of newly admitted residents after two negative COVID-19 tests based on the recommendation of the facility's Medical Advisor and their experience with the negative effects of isolation and quarantine on the elderly. The ED also referred to the CDC's (Center for Disease Control and Prevention) guidelines for the "Discontinuation of empiric Transmission-Based Precautions for Patients Suspected of Having SARS-CoV-2 [COVID-19] Infection," where two negative tests could be used to exclude a current diagnosis. The ED also pointed out the "Considerations for Cohorting COVID-19 Patients in Post-Acute Care Facilities" by the New Jersey Department of Health were "guidelines" and were to be used in consult with the clinical team and the facility.</p>	A1291		

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A1291	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 2:36 PM, Resident #4, who resided in the [REDACTED] Unit of the assisted living residence, was observed sitting in their room. There was no signage or sticker on the door indicating full PPE should be worn in the room.</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 2:38 PM, Care Manager (CM) #13 was asked if they were required to wear full PPE when caring for Resident #4. CM #13 stated, if full PPE was required, the resident's door would have a sticker on it indicating full PPE was required. Resident #4's door was observed to have no sticker indicating PPE was required.</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 2:40 PM, Reminiscence Coordinator (RC) #14 was asked if full PPE was required to be worn when caring for Resident #4. RC #14 stated Resident #4's second COVID-19 test was negative, so the resident was no longer under quarantine.</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 2:55 PM, the IP stated, when a resident tested negative prior to entering the facility and then tested negative at [REDACTED] days in the facility, they could be confident the resident had not contacted COVID-19 prior to entry. The IP said, "We are a closed system," and the staff was "tested weekly." The IP stated residents are under quarantine until their second COVID-19 test comes back negative.</p> <p>On 11/10/2020 at 3:45 PM, the Executive Director (ED) acknowledged Resident #4 did not have results back from a second COVID-19 test. The ED stated the facility would immediately implement a 14-day quarantine for newly admitted residents.</p> <p>A facility policy, dated 07/14/2020, titled "Move-In Requirements," indicated: "...Strict quarantine</p>	A1291		
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A1291	Continued From page 6 after move-in may be discontinued if: - 14 full days have passed since move-in and the resident has remained symptom free (note: quarantine is discontinued on day 15) or - The resident remains symptom free and two negative COVID-19 test results are obtained. The pre-move in test may count as the first result and the second test must be administered no earlier than 4 days after the first test...Discontinue quarantine after receiving the second negative result..."	A1291		