

Protecting, Maintaining and Improving the Health of Minnesotans

November 6, 2012

Mr. Craig Barness, Administrator Minnesota Veterans Home Hastings 1200 East 18th Street Hastings, Minnesota 55033

Re: Enclosed Reinspection Results - Project Number SL00788021

Dear Mr. Barness:

On October 18, 2012 survey staff of the Minnesota Department of Health, Licensing and Certification Program completed a reinspection of your facility, to determine correction of orders found on the survey completed on August 8, 2012 with orders received by you on August 22, 2012. At this time these correction orders were found corrected and are listed on the attached Revisit Report Form.

Please note, it is your responsibility to share the information contained in this letter and the results of this visit with the President of your facility's Governing Body.

Please feel free to call me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Shellae Dietrich

Shellae Dietrich, Program Specialist Licensing and Certification Program Division of Compliance Monitoring Telephone: (651) 201-4106 Fax: (651) 215-9697

Enclosure(s)

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This report is completed by a State surveyor to show those deficiencies previously reported that have been corrected and the data such corrective action was accomplished. Each deficiency should be fully identified using either the regulation or LSC provision number and the identification prefix code previously shown on the State Survey Report (prefix codes shown to the left of each requirement on the survey report form).

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August 20, 2012

Mr. Craig Barness, Administrator Minnesota Veterans Home Hastings 1200 East 18th Street Hastings, Minnesota 55033

Re: Enclosed State Boarding Care Home Licensing Orders - Project Number SL00788021

Dear Mr. Barness:

The above facility survey was completed on August 8, 2012 for the purpose of assessing compliance with Minnesota Department of Health Boarding Care Home Rules. At the time of the survey, the survey team from the Minnesota Department of Health, Compliance Monitoring Division, noted one or more violations of these rules that are issued in accordance with Minnesota Stat. section 144.653 and/or Minnesota Stat. Section 144A.10. If, upon reinspection, it is found that the deficiency or deficiencies cited herein are not corrected, a civil fine for each deficiency not corrected shall be assessed in accordance with a schedule of fines promulgated by rule of the Minnesota Department of Health.

The State licensing orders are delineated on the attached Minnesota Department of Health order form (attached). The Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Licensing Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota state statutes/rules for Boarding Care Homes.

The assigned tag number appears in the far left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state statute/rule number and the corresponding text of the state statute/rule out of compliance is listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column and replaces the "To Comply" portion of the correction order. This column also includes the findings that are in violation of the state statute after the statement, "This Rule is not met as evidenced by." Following the surveyors findings is 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/RULES.

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When all orders are corrected, the order form should be signed and returned to this office at Minnesota Department of Health, P.O. Box 64900, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900.

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.

You may request a hearing on any assessments that may result from non-compliance with these orders provided that a written request is made to the Department within 15 days of receipt of a notice of assessment for non-compliance.

Please note it is your responsibility to share the information contained in this letter and the results of this visit with the President of your facility's Governing Body.

Feel free to contact me with any questions related to this letter.

Sincerely,

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Shellae Dietrich, Program Specialist Licensing and Certification Program Division of Compliance Monitoring Minnesota Department of Health

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3 850	MN Rule 4655.4800 Subp. 1 Dental Care; Services Subpart 1. Services. Patients and residents shall be provided with dental services appropriate to their needs.	3 850		
	This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and document review the facility failed to provide dental care for 1 of 1 residents (R1) who expressed dental concerns. Findings include:			
	R1 reported at 3:49 p.m. on 8/8/12 that his dentures did not fit properly, which caused pain whenever he wore them. R1 explained he did not always wear his dentures due to pain, and confirmed he wanted a dental appointment. R1 had ill-fitting dentures, but had not seen the			
•	dentist regarding the problem. R1 had an annual review and physical exam by a registered nurse practitioner (RNP)-A on on 2/16/12. The exam revealed that R1 had ill-fitting upper and lower dentures that he wanted adjusted.			
	An interdisciplinary team (IDT) review dated 4/11/12 indicated "dental concerns/needs voucher." On 7/25/12 a Health Services Monthly Summary was completed and revealed the			

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	resident had some missing teeth, had fitting dentures, and was last seen by t 2/23/10. It was noted the resident need dentures adjusted and needed a vouch	he dentist led the				
	A registered nurse (RN)-B was interview 8/8/12 at 11:35 a.m. The RN explained resident needed a dental voucher to be it had not happened. At 2:00 p.m. on 8 Resident Benefit Coordinator (employed interviewed and stated the nursing state have notified her after the RNP made to about R1's ill-fitting dentures in 2/12, bedone so. She said veterans were allow vouchers every year for services, so the not have been a problem getting a voucher services.	I the e seen and B/8/12 the ee-A) was ff should the note ut had not wed dental here would cher for				
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3 945	MN Rule 4655.6400 Subp. 1 Adequate Care in General	e Care;	3 945			
	Subpart 1. Care in general. Each president shall receive nursing care or pand custodial care and supervision basindividual needs. Patients and resider encouraged to be active, to develop te for self-help, and to develop hobbies a interests. Nursing home patients shall out of bed as much as possible unless attending physician states in writing or	personal sed on hts shall be chniques and be up and the				

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	machine) was not cleaned according to the facility policy and the manufacturer's recommendations. At 4:00 p.m. on 8/6/12, R2 was observed in the second floor medication room measuring his fasting blood sugar. The resident did not clean the machine prior to or after use. A licensed practical nurse (LPN)-A reminded the resident to clean the machine, but the resident did not do so, and instead walked away. A posted sign reminded residents to clean off the blood glucose machines before and after use. At 4:05 p.m. the LPN cleaned the machine with a germicidal wipe by making a quick swipe across the machine and then throwing the wipe in the trash. When LPN-A was asked how the machines were to be cleaned, the LPN said if the resident did not do so independently, the staff were to do so using the germicidal wipes. The directions on the wipes revealed the machine was to be completely sanitized with the germicidal wipe and allowed to dry for two minutes. LPN-A verified she had not completely sanitized the machine.						

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	soil or organic material (e.g. blood) form the glucose machine prior to disinfection. Wipe the glucose machine with a Sani-cloth and allow time for drying as indicated by the manufacturers' (two minutes)."					•	
	At 2:15 p.m. on 8/8/12 the DON and RN-B verified the staff and/or resident should have been cleaning the glucometers according to the manufacturers' guidelines and facility policy.						
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31305	MN Rule 4655.8670 Subp. 1 Food Supplies; Food Subpart 1. Food. All food shall be from sources approved or considered satisfactory by the commissioner of health, and shall be clean, wholesome, free from spoilage, free from adulteration and misbranding, and safe for human consumption. No hermetically sealed, nonacid, or low-acid food which has been processed in a place other than a commercial food-processing establishment shall be used. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and document review, the facility failed to store and serve food and food products to minimize the risk of foodborne illness, having the potential to affect all residents in the facility. Findings include: At 9:15 a.m. on 8/7/12 the kitchen tour was completed with the registered dietitian (RD) and			31305			
	cook supervisor. A	A deep fryer was full of g food particles, and	of very				

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same use by date.

At 5:35 p.m. the registered dietitian (RD) was interviewed and she indicated the milk should not have been served after the expiration date. She stated they had three additional cases with the

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outdoor dumpsters.

Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to consistently keep refuse covered on

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September 6, 2012

Shellac Dietrich, Program Specialist Licensing and Certification Program Division of Compliance Monitoring MN Dept of Health

Dear Ms. Dietrich,

This letter is in response to the recommendations made by your survey team following our August 8, 2012 survey project number SL00788021.

3850 - MN Rule 4655, 4800 Subp.1 / Dental Care Services

- 1. The Director of Nursing will educate her staff by September 26, 2012 to submit an alerted note to the social worker and the benefit coordinator whenever a resident has complains about dental or optical needs.
- 2. The Benefits Coordinator will assist the resident with obtaining a voucher.
- 3. The Benefits Coordinator will review the resident's eligibility for such vouchers and track/audit the time frames for use of the vouchers.
- 4. The Benefits Coordinator will send a copy to the appointment scheduler to make the dental appointment directly with the resident.

3945 - MN Rule 4655, 6400 Subp.1 /Adequate Care; Care in General

- 1. The Director of Nursing will provide individual glucometers for all diabetic residents and supplies; until these items arrive the nursing staff will take full responsibility to clean the glucometers before and after each use.
- 2. Individual glucometers and supplies will be issued to those residents that are on self-administred medications and who have demonstrated the proper technique of cleaning their gluometer. They may keep the gluometers at bedside.
- 3. Residents on nurse administered medications will also be issued individual glucometers and supplies but they will be stored at the nursing station, and monitored by the nursing staff.
- 4. The skills check list will be updated to include the cleaning of glucometers and a return demonstration will be required to pass.
- 5. All nursing staff will be re-educated with the process of cleaning glucometers.
- 6. Random audits will be done to monitor compliance with the blood glucose monitoring policy.

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31305 - MN Rule 4655, 8670 Subp. 1/Food Supplies; Food

The Dietitian will:

- 1. We will continue to check and document the temperature of the milk cooler four times daily.
- 2. Update the policy regarding any dated items by September 26th.
- 3. Write a policy for changing the oil in the broaster by September 26th.
- 4. Re-educated staff to these changes and daily audits by September 26th.

31470 - MN Rule 4655, 9010 Subp. 2/Solid Waste Disposal Container Requirements The Director of Housekeeping will:

- 1. Uphold the policy regarding garbage dumpsters and educate staff and resident workers to the policy by September 26, 2012.
- 2. Replace any of the containers that do not have seamless watertight construction with tightly fitting covers.
- 3. Have a staff member check the containers at the end of his shift to make sure all covers are closed over night.
- 4. Signs will be posted to remind staff and residents workers that covers need to be kept closed.

We will hope that you will find these corrections satisfactory. If you have any further questions feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mr. Craig Barness, Interim Administrator

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