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<p>F 0689</p> <p>Level of Harm - Immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>Ensure that a nursing home area is free from accident hazards and provides adequate supervision to prevent accidents.</p> <p><b>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY**</b> 35789</p> <p>Based on observation, record review, staff, resident, Local Law Enforcement, and Medial Director interview the facility failed to prevent a cognitively impaired resident from exiting the facility without supervision for 1 of 3 residents reviewed for supervision to prevent accidents (Resident #1). Resident #1 was severely cognitively impaired, and he exited the front door of the facility in his wheelchair and traveled approximately one quarter mile down the road to a neighborhood where he climbed into a car and was apprehended by local law enforcement using K-9 dogs for suspicion of breaking into a car. Resident #1 was taken to the local emergency room for treatment of dog bites. The facility was unaware Resident #1 had exited the facility until local law enforcement arrived at the facility to confirm his identity and notify the facility that Resident #1 had been taken to the emergency room for treatment. Resident #1 sustained bruises and puncture wounds to his extremities from dog bites.</p> <p>The finding included:</p> <p>Resident #1 was admitted to the facility on [DATE] with diagnoses that included: numerous fractures to upper and lower extremities and pelvis, cerebral infarction (stroke), aphasia (difficulty talking), cognitive communication deficit (difficulty with thinking), and traumatic brain injury.</p> <p>A wandering assessment was completed on 08/24/22 and indicated that Resident #1 was at low risk for wandering.</p> <p>Review of an admission Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE] indicated that Resident #1 was severely cognitively impaired and required limited assistance with mobility on the unit. The MDS further indicated that Resident #1 had no wandering behaviors during the assessment reference period.</p> <p>An interdisciplinary note dated 09/08/22 read in part, Resident #1 expressing wanting to go home now. Family lives out of state. Asked family to let the facility know of a date for discharge so they could plan appropriately. Resident #1 is wanting to discharge.</p> <p>A wandering assessment was completed on 09/08/22 and revealed that Resident #1 was high risk for wandering.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (\*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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