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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 335489	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 01/07/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Morningstar Residential Care Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 17 Sunrise Terrace Oswego, NY 13126	
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F 0686 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	<p>Provide appropriate pressure ulcer care and prevent new ulcers from developing.</p> <p>**NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** 34465</p> <p>Based on observation, record review and interview during the abbreviated survey (NY00347901), the facility did not ensure residents with pressure ulcers or at risk of pressure ulcers received the necessary treatment and services, consistent with professional standards of practice, to promote wound healing, prevent infection, and prevent new ulcers from developing for 2 of 3 residents (Residents #1 and 3) reviewed. Specifically:</p> <p>-Resident #1 developed new pressure ulcers and there was no documented evidence that recommended treatment orders obtained or implemented timely and no documented evidence diagnostic tests were ordered or obtained timely.</p> <p>-Resident #2 developed a Stage 3 pressure ulcer on their coccyx and there was no documented evidence the registered dietitian reassessed the resident's nutritional needs. Additionally, the resident had a significant weight loss and there was no documented evidence the registered dietitian was made aware to reassess.</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>The facility's policy Weights, effective ,d+[DATE] documented residents were weighed upon admission, weekly for 4 weeks after admission, readmission and monthly thereafter to establish a weight patter and monitor for changes. Re-weights were to be obtained for any discrepancies, the Interdisciplinary Team reviewed possible causes of weight change and initiated appropriate interventions, and weight loss or gain of 5% in one month and/or 10% in 6 months must be reported to the registered dietitian, physician, and Minimum Data Set coordinators to review for possible significant change in status.</p> <p>The facility's policy Medication: Physicians Orders Management, revised [DATE] documented outside consultants wrote their orders and details of their visit on a consultation form or in their company documentation format. Outside consultants' documentation and orders would be scanned or uploaded into the resident's medical record. The orders and visit description would be reviewed by the resident's primary care provider, orders would be implemented and written by an in-house provider as deemed appropriate.</p> <p>1) Resident #1 had diagnoses including dementia. The [DATE] Minimum Data Set Assessment documented the resident's cognition was moderately impaired, they required substantial/maximal assistance with rolling left to right, they were dependent for chair/bed-to-chair transfers, and they had no unhealed pressure ulcers.</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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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The [DATE] Comprehensive Care Plan documented the resident was at risk for skin breakdown related to immobility, deconditioning and incontinence. Interventions included keep skin clean and dry, pressure relieving device in wheelchair and on bed, and skin team to monitor weekly.</p> <p>The [DATE] at 5:24 PM Licensed Practical Nurse #4 Manager note documented the resident had a wound to the left buttocks that was 4 centimeters x 4.3 centimeters and the resident also had multiple unmeasurable sores to the right side of buttocks. The registered nurse assessed, and orders were obtained.</p> <p>The [DATE] physician orders documented to cleanse left side of buttock with normal saline, apply normal saline to wound bed and cover with Allevyn (silicone dressing). To the right side of buttocks, apply Desitin (protective barrier cream) three times daily for wound.</p> <p>The [DATE] Wound Physician #2 note documented the resident had left buttock moisture associated skin damage (skin problem that occurs from repeated exposure to bodily fluids) that was 4 centimeters x 11 centimeters by 0.2 centimeters. The plan was to use calcium alginate (wound treatment) with a bordered dressing daily.</p> <p>The [DATE] physician order documented to left side of buttock, cleanse with normal saline, apply calcium alginate to wound bed and cover with a 4 x 4 bordered dressing daily.</p> <p>The [DATE] updated Comprehensive Care Plan documented the resident had a wound to the left buttock. Interventions included treatments as ordered, monitor that dressing was intact, and obtain and monitor lab work and diagnostics as needed.</p> <p>The [DATE] Wound Physician #2 note documented the resident had a Stage 3 (full thickness loss of tissue) sacral (triangular bone in the lower back between two hipbones of the pelvis) ulcer that was 4 centimeters x 5 centimeters x 0.2 centimeters and was 30% necrotic (non-viable tissue). The plan was to use calcium alginate and Medihoney (wound treatment) covered with a foam silicone bordered dressing daily.</p> <p>The [DATE] physician order documented to left buttock, apply Medihoney and calcium alginate to wound bed and cover with a foam dressing daily. There was no documented evidence the treatment order was updated to apply to the sacral ulcer as documented in the wound physician note.</p> <p>The [DATE] at 1:35 PM Wound Physician #2 note documented the resident had:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -an Unstageable sacral ulcer that was 4 centimeters x 2.5 centimeters x 0.2 centimeters. The plan was to continue calcium alginate and Medihoney covered with a foam silicone bordered dressing daily. -a Deep Tissue Injury (injury of underlying soft tissue from pressure or shear) on the left ischium (lower bone of the pelvis) that was 4 centimeters x 4 centimeters and was intact with purple discoloration. The plan was for hydrocolloidal paste (wound treatment) every shift. -a Deep Tissue Injury of the right ischium that was 6 centimeters x 2 centimeters and was intact with purple discoloration. The plan was to use hydrocolloid paste every shift. <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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<p>F 0686</p> <p>Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm</p> <p>Residents Affected - Few</p>	<p>The [DATE] at 11:35 AM nutritional assessment completed by Registered Dietitian #9 documented the resident's diet was no added salt, ground consistency, and nectar thickened fluids. Supplements included Boost 120 milliliters three times daily, fortified mashed potatoes at lunch, and chocolate milk at all meals. Intakes averaged ,d+[DATE]%. No significant weight changes noted. The registered dietitian remained available and would follow up.</p> <p>The [DATE] Wound Physician #2 note documented the resident had a new Stage 3 pressure ulcer on their sacrum that was 3 centimeters x 2.5 centimeters x 0.2 centimeters with moderate serous drainage and 100% granulation tissue. The plan was to use calcium alginate and Medihoney covered with bordered dressing daily.</p> <p>The [DATE] physician order documented cleanse coccyx with wound cleanser, apply Medihoney and calcium alginate to wound and cover with Allevyn (dressing).</p> <p>The [DATE] Weight and Vitals Summary documented the resident weighed 111.8 pounds (5.4% loss, previously 118.2 pounds on [DATE]).</p> <p>There was no documented evidence the resident's nutritional needs were reassessed timely after they developed a Stage 3 pressure ulcer and after they had a 5.4% weight loss.</p> <p>The [DATE] Comprehensive Care Plan documented the resident had impaired skin integrity related to a Stage 3 pressure ulcer. Interventions included monitor nutritional status, diet as ordered, monitor intake and record. Dietary consults as needed.</p> <p>During a wound observation on [DATE] at 11:48 AM with Wound Physician #2 and Licensed Practical Nurse Manager #1, the resident was lying on their back in bed and the alternating air mattress was on and functioning. The resident was rolled to the left, no dressing was in place on the sacrum. The wound was approximately 1 centimeter x 1 centimeter x 0.1 centimeters with granulation tissue. Per Licensed Practical Nurse Manager #1, the dressing was removed just prior to the wound physician evaluation. Licensed Practical Nurse Manager #1 cleansed the wound, placed Medihoney and calcium alginate cut to size into the wound bed and covered with a bordered dressing.</p> <p>During a telephone interview on [DATE] at 10:16 AM, Licensed Practical Nurse Manager #1 stated when a resident had weight loss, nursing was responsible to update the registered dietitian. The registered dietitian also had access to weights in the medical records. When a resident developed a new pressure ulcer, the registered dietitian would be notified. For weight loss and pressure ulcers, the registered dietitian typically assessed within 1 week. They were not sure if the registered dietitian was notified of the resident's weight loss or new pressure ulcer, and they should have been notified and it was not done timely.</p> <p>(continued on next page)</p>		

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