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Notice of Incident

Date of Incident: 4/15/2022

Date Reported to DCCECE: 4/15/2022

Agency Name: Millcreek

Agency Number: 233

Type of Facility: PRTF

Facility License Type: Regular

Type of Incident: Maltreatment

Incident Description: Location: Facility Grounds- Millcreek of Arkansas. Allegation: [REDACTED] patient at Millcreek of Arkansas alleged that [REDACTED], staff, punched him in the jaw while being placed into a physical restraint.

Internal Investigation: Risk Director has interviewed A/O and 2 staff members participating in the physical restraint and 3 responding supervisors. No report corroborates the statement made by A/V. There were no patient witnesses to the events. The incident transpired as [REDACTED] became upset after being called names when his team lost a basketball game. He attempted to elope from the campus. [REDACTED] became physically aggressive with staff members when he was prevented from eloping. He punched another staff member in the jaw, prior to being placed into restraint. The physical restraint was initiated to provide safety for those involved. Patient reports jaw soreness. Nursing reports no visible injury. X-ray did not reveal any fracture to the jaw. Patient is actively participating in all activities. In the patient's incident debriefing, he stated that he did not want a witness statement because "the staff did not do anything to me." (witness statements are offered as standard practice.) He stated that he should have just calmed down and later apologized to the staff members for his behavior. Patient's initial discussion with therapist indicates discrepancies from what was reported in the allegation listed above. He first indicated that another staff was the one that punched him.

Agency's Interim Corrective Action: Staff member [REDACTED] remains on leave until completing in service Therapeutic Crisis Intervention at which time he will be rescheduled for employment.

Licensing Specialist Assigned: C.DeBoer

Licensing Supervisor Assigned: 4/15/2022

Child Abuse Hotline (Only applies to maltreatment incidents)

Was the Hotline Called:Yes **Was it accepted?**No **Outcome:** Screened out.

Assigned Investigator: N/A

Date of DCCECE's Follow-up: 4/19/2022 **Type of Follow-up:** Facility visit.

Details from Follow-up: Witness statements reviewed for staff: [REDACTED] and Supervisor [REDACTED] who all witnessed the incident. All statements state that at no time did any staff witness any staff involved in this incident hit client. Supervisor [REDACTED] witness statement adds that client [REDACTED] stated he "didn't want to do no witness statement because they didn't do anything to me".

Client [REDACTED] interviewed. Client [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] stated to him "shut up bitch" and punched his ([REDACTED] left cheek with his ([REDACTED] right hand during a restraint. "[REDACTED]" had client in the restraint when this happened. Client added that [REDACTED] stated "don't tell nobody", and that [REDACTED] stated "don't tell on me tell on him" [REDACTED]. Witness statements from above do not corroborate this story. [REDACTED] adds that at the end of this restraint he was present and states that no conversation such as above took place. There is no definitive evidence to support that staff [REDACTED] struck client [REDACTED] Risk Mgmt. Chris Butler has stated that staff [REDACTED] will be in-service trained on Therapeutic Crisis Intervention. Risk Mgmt. states that client/staff interaction will be limited to basketball events which involve other staff.