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Notice of Serious Incident

Date of Incident: 12/13/2022

Date Received by DCCECE: 12/21/2022

Facility Name: Perimeter of the Ozarks

Facility Number: 237

Facility Type: Residential

Incident Type: Licensing

Report Description: "Resident initially refused to take medication this morning. However, after I spoke with resident, they were compliant with meds. Resident did turn self in for self-harming while in the shower this morning. Superficial scratches noted to right forearm. Body search complete, room search complete, resident placed on self-harm precautions including LOS showers x7 days.

Interim Action Narrative:

Maltreatment Narrative: **Outcome:**

Licensing Narrative: 12/21/22-Program Coordinator reviewed the incident log at the facility during an intent training on 12/21/22. The Program Coordinator requested a copy of the incident as it was not reported to licensing as required in their current Corrective Action Agreement. The facility was made aware that this incident will be reviewed, and further discussion would occur in the near future as this was a failure to comply with the current Corrective Action Agreement. 12/29/22-Program Coordinator and Licensing Specialist Sutton visited the facility and discussed the incident. The licensing team discussed ways

that the facility could ensure that staff are following all doctor's orders when a resident is on a self-harm safety plan. The group discussed how staff could document when and how they followed the doctors order, for instance writing the time and initials of the staff of who maintained constant communication with a resident while they were in the shower on the residents Q15 forms. Additionally, a discussion occurred on how residents on self-harm precautions could use paper cups with their hygiene products to ensure they do not use the bottles to self-harm again in the future.

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521 Visit Compliance Report

Licensee: Perimeter of the Ozarks

Facility Number: 237

Licensee Address: 2466 SOUTH 48TH STREET
SPRINGDALE AR 72766

Licensing Specialist: Chelsea Vardell

Person In Charge: Ana Salazar

Record Visit Date: 12/27/2022

Home Visit Date: 12/27/2022

Purpose of Visit: Self Report Visit

Regulations Out of Compliance:

Regulation Description: Unprofessional conduct in the practice of child welfare activities shall include, but not limited to the following:

Sub Regulation Description:

Regulation Number: 1.109.1.f

Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:

Regulations Not Correctable:

Narrative:

No site visit conducted on this day.

The Program Coordinator reviewed an incident from 12/13/22 in the incident log at the facility. The report showed that resident [redacted] self-harmed on 12/13/22 while in the shower. The Program Coordinator discussed how all self-harm reports are to be reported to the licensing unit per the corrective action agreement. This report was not sent to the licensing unit by the next business day; therefore, the facility is in violation of their corrective action agreement.

The facility will be cited for 109.1.f.

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Regulations Out of Compliance:

Regulation Description: All buildings and furnishings shall be safe, clean, and in good repair.

Sub Regulation Description:

Regulation Number: 9.911.6

Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:

Regulations Not Correctable:

Narrative:

The Program Coordinator and Licensing Specialist visited the facility and discussed three incidents of self-harm by resident [redacted] on 12/11/22, 12/13/22, and 12/23/22. On 12/11/22 the resident self-harmed using a

broken light socket cover. On 12/13/22, resident self-harmed with a piece of a shampoo bottle while in the shower, and on 12/23/22 the resident obtained a screw from what was originally believed to be the cafeteria door and threatened to swallow it.

The DON reported that the staff had originally thought that this screw came from the door frame of the door in the cafeteria, but the screws appear to be different, so they are unsure where it came from. Licensing viewed the cafeteria door and the remaining cafeteria. Two outlet covers were seen to be loose and in need of repair. DON Ana Salazar notified maintenance of the outlet covers during the walkthrough. No missing screws were noted to be seen on or around the door frame. Licensing also viewed the resident's bedroom (room 305). The resident's bathroom was viewed and seen to have a new light switch cover installed as the resident had also self-harmed with it on 12/11/2022. A screw was seen protruding from the cover over the bedroom window. The DON took a picture of the screen and requested that it be secured back into the frame with maintenance. The DON reports the outlet covers in the cafeteria and the screw in the resident's room will be addressed today. Licensing discussed with the DON if any documentation is kept when a resident is on safety precautions to confirm that staff are keeping constant communication while a resident is in the shower. The facility is not currently keeping any documentation other than their "Q 15's" which are mandatory 15-minute observation sheets required for all residents. Licensing encouraged the facility to document how and when staff are complying with any doctor's orders. Licensing also discussed the facility using paper cups with hygiene products for the residents on self-harm precautions to eliminate the possibility of a resident using plastic bottles for self-harm.

The facility will be cited for 911.6 for the loose outlet covers in the cafeteria, protruding screw in the window of room 305, and the broken light switch cover reportedly used to self-harm by the resident on 12/11/22 (already corrected). Please have the outlet overs and screw repaired by 12/30/22.