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Notice of Serious Incident

Date of Incident: 5/23/2023

Date Received by DCCECE: 5/24/2023

Facility Name: Perimeter of the Ozarks

Facility Number: 237

Facility Type:

Incident Type: Licensing

**Report Description: Name:** , DOB: On 05/23/23 at placed a screw into her vagina. While approximately 2330, it was reported that doing so, she scratched the inside of her vagina, resulting in minor bleeding. RN arrived to the nurses' station where area was assessed x 2 RNs. Minimal and assisted bleeding was noted at the time of assessment. The nursing staff was unable to visualize the entirety of the scratch that went up further in the vaginal canal. EMS was called for transport to the hospital for a more thorough assessment. Provider notified. was assisted out of the facility at 0015 by EMS and floor staff x 1. verbalized that the insertion of the screw was an attempt to hide/conceal the contraband. No significant injury requiring follow up was noted in the discharge paperwork. Upon arrival back to the facility, was placed on a 1:1 level of observation with hourly body searches, given paper scrubs to don, and placed in the comfort room. The treatment team will continue to have a collaborative assessment approach to collectively determine additional supports for Hayden as needed. Parties notified of event: Elizabeth Emery, Caseworker (AR-DHS) Cassie Sowder, CEO Art Hickman, Regional CEO Rebecca Thomas, VP Clinical Training Jill Shrader, VP Risk Compliance/Quality Annika Perry, MSW - Therapist Edison Sullivan ? Clinical Director Kris Stewart, Reagan Stanford, and Ashlyn Whelchel (Disability Rights of AR) Chelsea Vardell, Linda White, and Kendra Rice, DHS

Interim Action Narrative: Resident was assessed by nursing. She was transported by EMS to the hospital. Resident was placed on 1:1 level of observation with hourly body searches, given paper scrubs, and placed in the comfort room.

## Maltreatment Narrative:

Licensing Narrative: 5/24/2023- Licensing visited the facility and discussed this incident. It was still unknown where the resident got the screw from. The resident was seen in paper scrubs standing in the "comfort room". The resident had several injuries up and down her arms from what appeared to be fingernail marks in attempt to self-harm. Licensing also viewed the resident's bedroom which was completely empty. The CEO reported that the resident's mattress, bedding, and clothing were removed as she is staying in the comfort room until she can become stable and rejoin the unit. 5/31/2023, Licensing Specialist followed-up with facility regarding resident's precautions. Licensing Specialist informed that resident had been discharged into an acute setting. 6/1/2023, Licensing Specialist inquired if resident will be returning to the facility. Licensing Specialist informed that resident will not be returning to the facility.