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Notice of Serious Incident

Case Number: 019214

Date of Incident: 2/15/2024

Date Received by PRLU: 2/16/2024

Facility Name: Perimeter Behavioral of Forrest City

Facility Number: 142

Incident Type: Licensing

Report Description: Resident, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED], was transported to Forrest City Medical Center for further assessment /x-ray to his left wrist due to swelling. Resident returned to facility at 1621 (4:21 pm cst). There were no issues with Resident reentering the milieu. The following are the findings from x-ray. No acute fracture or dislocation. The proximal and distal carpal rows are adequately aligned. The soft tissues are grossly unremarkable.

Interim Action Narrative:

Maltreatment Narrative:

Licensing Narrative: Resident has fully recovered and has not had any other issues with his wrist. No licensing violations.



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521 Visit Compliance Report

Licensee: Perimeter Behavioral of Forrest City

Facility Number: 142

Licensee Address: 603 KITTLE ROAD
FORREST CITY AR 72335

Licensing Specialist: Chelsea Vardell

Person In Charge: Immanuel Morris

Record Visit Date: 5/7/2024

Home Visit Date: 5/7/2024

Purpose of Visit: Special Visit

Regulations Out of Compliance:

Regulation Number: 900.905.9

Regulation Description: Physical restraints shall be performed using minimal force and time necessary. Physical restraint means the application of physical force without the use of any device, for the purposes of restraining the free movement of a resident's body. Briefly holding a child without undue force in order to calm or comfort, or holding a hand to safely escort a child from one area to another, is not considered a physical restraint.

Finding Description: Staff did not use the minimal force necessary during the course of a restraint hold.

Action Due Date:

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Regulations Needing Technical Assistance:

Regulation Not Applicable:

Regulations Not Correctable:

Narrative:

Licensing visited the facility in response to complaint case 020873. During the review of the video footage and in discussions with the facility management it was determined that the primary staff in the video initiating the restraint [REDACTED] did not use the minimal force necessary during this restraint hold. This is related to case 019214. The restraint hold referenced in this inspection occurred on 2/11/2024. The restraint was not reported to licensing as it did not meet criteria per standard 110.17, therefore licensing was not aware of any concerns with it at that time. The SAMA instructor for the facility, Mr. Williams, explained that when using SAMA the goal is to approach a resident from behind, position the residents' arms in a cross position in front of the resident's chest and only take them to the floor if it is necessary. However, when residents are combative or larger in size this position can be very difficult for staff to obtain and maintain until the resident is calm. In this incident the resident can be seen being combative prior to being taken to the floor by staff. Once on the floor the staff can be seen aggressively moving the resident around the floor in an attempt to obtain another position, then lays on top of the resident visibly putting his body weight on the resident.

The facility reviewed the comments made about this restraint by the SAMA founder and SAMA Executive Vice President. The facility reports that this staff member was already terminated due to another incident that occurred after this restraint. The other incident did not involve a restraint but did involve unprofessional conduct that does not meet the standard of care for the facility.

Due to the actions of the staff in the restraint hold the following standard is being cited.

905.9 failing to use the minimal force necessary during the course of a restraint hold.

Provider Comments:

CCL Staff Signature :

Date: 5/13/2024

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