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# Notice of Serious Incident

Case Number: 019417

Date of Incident: 2/23/2024

Date Received: 2/26/2024

Facility Name: Perimeter Behavioral of Forrest City

Facility Number: 142

Incident Type: Dual

Report Description: Resident, **Mathematical Constitution**, was found with a nicotine vape and a THC vape during routine checks. Staff confiscated the vapes and reported them to the Supervisors/Safety Team. The Safety team interviewed/collected written statements from Resident, Resident peer, and staff who was alleged the nicotine vape came from, as well as reviewed camera footage. Camera footage shows staff going into all Resident?s room for routine bedtime checks but no evidence of vape usage from staff or Resident(s). Said staff was immediately placed on administrative leave 02/23/2024. AR

DHS completed an interview with **December 201** today, 02/26/2024. Forrest City Police Department were contacted to confiscate both vapes 02/23/2024. Vapes were confiscated at approximately 3:15 pm. Report pending.

Interim Action Narrative: Staff was suspended pending the maltreatment investigation.

Maltreatment Narrative: AV is **Sector**. AO is age unknown **Sector**. AV is currently admitted to Perimeter Behavioral Health in Forrest City, Arkansas. AV was caught with a vape. While investigating where the vape came from, video showed that AO provided the vape to AV. Per AV and his roommates statement AO allowed AV to use the vape. AO was put on suspension pending investigation. The vape contained nicotine.

Licensing Narrative: 02.27.24 LS sent email to investigator requesting permission to proceed with monitoring this incident for MLS violations. 02.29.24 LS reviewed camera footage of the evening before the "vapes" were found on resident. 03.01.24 AO staff was terminated. Agency has implemented a more robust search process when admitting new youth. 3/28/2024- Maltreatment case closed as TRUE.

## Arkansas Department of Human Services

## Placement & Residential Licensing Unit

## Licensing Compliance Record

Agency Name: Perimeter Behavioral of Forrest City	Person In Charge: Charlotte Lockhart	
Address: 603 Kittle Rd., Forrest City, AR 72335	Phone: (870) 633-3200	
Licensing Specialist: Eleanor White		
Date of Visit: 02/29/24	Purpose of Visit: Incident of 02.23.24	
ELS Case 019417		

Time 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM Census: 52 Immanuel Morris assisted Licensing Specialist with a camera footage review of the evening before (02.22.24) the morning incident on 02.23.24 when 2 "vapes"	
were found on resident Allegedly the vapes were given to resident the evening of 02.22.24.	
Video footage shows AO staff doing routine nightly safety checks in all rooms. AO staff talks to resident in the hall and is talking to other residents also. AO staff was in hall on his cell phone, but footage did not show him with a vape. Resident alleges that AO staff only gave him the nicotine vape while in his room the night of 02.22.23. Resident alleges the marijuana vape was given to him by another resident who snuck it in when he was being admitted to the facility. The other resident (not staff) gave resident the marijuana vape and asked to "recharge" the marijuana vape when the marijuana vape and	
On 02.23.24 both vapes were confiscated by the Forrest City Police Department.	
On 03.01.24 AO staff was terminated. The agency is implementing a more robust search policy for their admissions process.	
Agency is cited for violation of MLS 109.1 Unprofessional conduct in the practice of child welfare activities shall include without limitation: g) Engaging in behavior that could be viewed as sexual, dangerous, exploitative, or physically harmful to children.	N/C
Complaint is founded.	

### COMMENTS of Person receiving form:

HARD CED 4-1-24 Eleanor White LICENSING SPECIALIST PERSON SIGNING AS RECEIVING

04/01/24

DATE