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F 000	INITIAL COMMENTS A COVID-19 Focused Infection Control Survey was conducted by the New Jersey Department of Health. The facility was found not to be in compliance with 42 CFR §483.80 infection control regulations and has implemented the CMS and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended practices to prepare for COVID-19. Survey date: 01/04/2021 - 01/05/2021	F 000			
F 883 SS=C	Census: 173 Influenza and Pneumococcal Immunizations CFR(s): 483.80(d)(1)(2) §483.80(d) Influenza and pneumococcal immunizations §483.80(d)(1) Influenza. The facility must develop policies and procedures to ensure that- (i) Before offering the influenza immunization, each resident or the resident's representative receives education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the immunization; (ii) Each resident is offered an influenza immunization October 1 through March 31 annually, unless the immunization is medically contraindicated or the resident has already been immunized during this time period; (iii) The resident or the resident's representative has the opportunity to refuse immunization; and (iv) The resident's medical record includes documentation that indicates, at a minimum, the following: (A) That the resident or resident's representative was provided education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of influenza immunization; and	F 883			2/4/21

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE

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Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>(B) That the resident either received the influenza immunization or did not receive the influenza immunization due to medical contraindications or refusal.</p> <p>§483.80(d)(2) Pneumococcal disease. The facility must develop policies and procedures to ensure that-</p> <p>(i) Before offering the pneumococcal immunization, each resident or the resident's representative receives education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the immunization;</p> <p>(ii) Each resident is offered a pneumococcal immunization, unless the immunization is medically contraindicated or the resident has already been immunized;</p> <p>(iii) The resident or the resident's representative has the opportunity to refuse immunization; and</p> <p>(iv) The resident's medical record includes documentation that indicates, at a minimum, the following:</p> <p>(A) That the resident or resident's representative was provided education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of pneumococcal immunization; and</p> <p>(B) That the resident either received the pneumococcal immunization or did not receive the pneumococcal immunization due to medical contraindication or refusal.</p> <p>This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by:</p> <p>Based on record review, interviews, and Centers for Disease Control publication, the facility failed to:</p> <p>1. Obtain written consent for the administration of an Executive Order 26, 4.b. for one (Resident Executive Order 26, 4.b. of Executive Order 26, 4.b. sampled residents reviewed for Executive Order 26, 4.b. and Executive Order 26, 4.b.;</p>	F 883	<p>1. All residents have the potential to be affected by the deficient practice. All resident charts were audited to ensure proper influenza documentation was completed. Sampled residents Executive Order 26, 4.b. # Executive Order 26, 4.b. and their representatives were</p>		

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>2. Provide education of the risks and potential side effects of the influenza and/or pneumonia immunizations for five (Residents [redacted] and [redacted] of [redacted] sampled residents reviewed for Executive Order 26, 4.b. [redacted];</p> <p>3. Administer a dose of the [redacted] after consent was obtained or to discuss the resident's [redacted] status with the resident's physician to determine if a dose was warranted for two (Residents [redacted] and [redacted] of [redacted] sampled residents reviewed for Executive Order 26, 4.b. [redacted] and [redacted] of [redacted] sampled residents reviewed for Executive Order 26, 4.b. [redacted].</p> <p>4. Offer a [redacted] to [redacted] (Resident [redacted] and [redacted] of [redacted] sampled residents reviewed for Executive Order 26, 4.b. [redacted].</p> <p>These deficient practices had the potential to affect all residents who resided in the facility.</p> <p>Findings included:</p> <p>Reference: The CDC's "Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults" information sheet, dated 06/25/2020, (www.cdc.gov/pneumoccal/vaccination.html) indicated:</p> <p>Adults 65 years without an immunocompromising condition...For those who have not received any pneumococcal vaccines, or those with unknown vaccination history</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If patient and provider decide PCV13 is not to be given: Administer 1 dose of PPSV23. - If patient and provider decide PCV13 is to be given: Administer 1 dose of PCV13. Administer 1 dose of PPSV23 at least 1 year later...For those who have previously received 1 dose of PPSV23 at [or above] 65 years and no doses of PCV13. - If patient and provider decide PCV13 is not to be given: Series is complete. No additional 	F 883	<p>provided with education about risk vs benefits of immunization.</p> <p>Residents who did not receive vaccination after consent was obtained were re-evaluated by PCP for appropriateness and vaccination was administered. Pneumonia vaccination was offered to all residents.</p> <p>2. Policies and procedures were appropriately updated to reflect the importance of providing resident and resident's representative with education on benefits and risks associated with administration of influenza immunization prior to actual administration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to reflect the timeframe for influenza vaccination administration – October 1st through March 31st of each year for eligible residents and patients, • to reflect the opportunity to refuse vaccination by resident/patient and/or their representative. • to reflect the importance of documentation in resident's/patient's medical record the education about benefits and potential risks associated with influenza immunization provided to resident and/or his/her responsible and actual administration, ineligibility or refusal of influenza immunization. • to reflect the importance of providing resident and resident's representative with education on benefits and risks/side effects associated with administration of pneumococcal immunization prior to actual administration. (CMS, 2017). • to reflect the opportunity for all 		

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>doses indicated.</p> <p>- If patient and provider decide PCV13 is to be given: Administer 1 dose of PCV13 at least 1 year after the dose of PPSV23 for all adults, regardless of medical conditions...</p> <p>1. The immunization records for the following five residents were reviewed:</p> <p>Resident [REDACTED]'s Executive Order 26, 4.b.</p> <p>The "Immunization" tab of the electronic health record (EHR) indicated the resident was administered the Executive Order 26, 4.b. on Executive Order 26, 4.b. There was no documentation in the EHR or the paper chart that indicated the resident/resident's representative had given Executive Order 26, 4.b. There was no documentation which indicated the resident had been offered a Executive Order 26, 4.b. There was no documentation which indicated the resident/resident's representative was educated regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the Executive Order 26, 4.b.</p> <p>On 01/05/2021 at 11:20 AM, the infection control preventionist (ICP) was interviewed. She stated, "The vaccine would not have been provided without consent, but the consent form has not been found." When asked if there was documentation that education of the risks and benefits of a flu and/or pneumonia vaccine had been provided/discussed with the resident/resident's representative, the ICP stated, "No."</p> <p>Resident [REDACTED] Executive Order 26, 4.b.</p> <p>The Executive Order 26, 4.b.</p>	F 883	<p>patients and residents to receive pneumococcal vaccination unless one is contraindicated, or patient/resident does not meet criteria for pneumonia vaccine administration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to reflect the opportunity to refuse pneumococcal vaccination by resident/patient and/or their representative. to reflect the importance of documentation in resident's/patient's medical record of education about benefits and potential risks associated with pneumococcal immunization provided to resident and/or his/her responsible party and actual administration, ineligibility or refusal of pneumococcal immunization. <p>Nursing staff were educated about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> importance of obtaining written consent prior influenza immunization administration. Medical records were crossed checked to ensure that each patient has appropriately signed consent in their files. <p>Medical record of resident # 1 was revived and family representative was contacted to receive consent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of providing teaching to resident and/or his/her representative about risk, benefits and potential side effects associated with flu/pneumonia vaccine administration. <p>Nursing staff were educated about importance of administration of pneumococcal vaccination after consent has been obtained and discussing potential contraindications with PCP prior</p>		

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>Authorization" form, dated [REDACTED], indicated the resident's representative had consented to annual administration of the [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] portion of the form was blank. The EHR indicated the resident had been administered the [REDACTED] on [REDACTED]. There was no documentation which indicated the resident had been offered a [REDACTED] at any time after [REDACTED]. There was no documentation in the EHR or in the paper chart which indicated the resident/resident's representative had been educated regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the [REDACTED] vaccines.</p> <p>On 01/05/2021 at 11:21 AM, the ICP was interviewed. She was asked if there was documentation that education of the risks and benefits of a flu and/or pneumonia vaccine had been provided/discussed with the resident/resident's representative, the ICP stated, "No."</p> <p>Resident [REDACTED] Executive Order 26, 4.b. .</p> <p>The [REDACTED] Executive Order 26, 4.b. Authorization" form, dated [REDACTED] indicated the resident had consented to annual administration of the [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] portion of the form was blank. The EHR indicated the resident was administered the [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] and a [REDACTED] on [REDACTED]. There was no documentation in the EHR or in the paper chart that indicated the resident/resident's representative had been educated regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the [REDACTED] Executive Order 26, 4.b. .</p>	F 883	<p>administration of the vaccine.</p> <p>3. Audit tool was developed to ensure compliance with influenza and pneumococcal vaccination as stated by CMS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immunization Log was implemented to ensure proper schedule of pneumococcal vaccination (step 2) and prevent laps in immunization as recommended by CDC. 5 random charts will be picked for review by the DON or designee weekly to ensure compliance with documentation of teaching about benefits and risks of immunization provided to resident and families for 3 months. All new admissions and re-admissions will be reviewed weekly by DON or designee for 3 months to ensure documentation of teaching about benefits and risks of immunization provided to resident and families, signed consent, administration of vaccination if indicated and cleared by PCP and/or documentation of refusal. <p>4. Results of the audits will be reviewed quarterly for 6 months at the QAPI meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to reflect the opportunity for all patients and residents to receive pneumococcal vaccination unless one is contraindicated, or patient/resident does not meet criteria for pneumonia vaccine administration. to reflect the opportunity to refuse pneumococcal vaccination by resident/patient and/or their 		

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>On 01/05/2021 at 11:22 AM, the ICP was interviewed. She was asked if there was documentation that education of the risks and benefits of a flu and/or pneumonia vaccine was provided/discussed with the resident/resident's representative, the ICP stated, "No."</p> <p>Resident Executive Order 26, 4.b.</p> <p>The Executive Order 26, 4.b. form, not dated, indicated the resident's representative had consented to annual administration of the Executive Order 26, 4.b. and to the administration of the Executive Order 26, 4.b. The EHR indicated the resident had been administered the Executive Order 26, 4.b. on 1 Executive Order 26, 4.b. and Executive Order 26, 4.b. 01/01/2019. The type of Executive Order 26, 4.b. (Executive Order 26, 4.b.) received was not indicated in the clinical record. There was no documentation in the clinical record which indicated the facility had attempted to ascertain the type of pneumonia vaccine the resident had received and/or that the physician had been consulted regarding the resident's pneumonia vaccine status to determine if another dose was warranted. There was no documentation in the EHR or in the paper chart which indicated the resident/resident's representative had been educated regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the influenza and/or pneumonia vaccines.</p> <p>On 01/05/2021 at 11:24 AM, the ICP was asked if there was documentation that education of the risks and benefits of a flu and/or pneumonia vaccine had been provided/discussed with the resident/resident's representative. She stated, "No." The Director of Nursing was asked if the</p>	F 883	<p>representative.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to reflect the importance of documentation in resident's/patient's medical record of education about benefits and potential risks associated with pneumococcal immunization provided to resident and/or his/her responsible party and actual administration, ineligibility or refusal of pneumococcal immunization. <p>Nursing staff were educated about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> importance of obtaining written consent prior influenza immunization administration. Medical records were crossed checked to ensure that each patient has appropriately signed consent in their files. <p>Medical record of resident # 1 was revived and family representative was contacted to receive consent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of providing teaching to resident and/or his/her representative about risk, benefits and potential side effects associated with flu/pneumonia vaccine administration. <p>Nursing staff were educated about importance of administration of pneumococcal vaccination after consent has been obtained and discussing potential contraindications with PCP prior administration of the vaccine.</p> <p>3. Audit tool was developed to ensure compliance with influenza and pneumococcal vaccination as stated by CMS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immunization Log was implemented 		

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 6</p> <p>pneumonia vaccine had been administered after the resident's consent was obtained. She stated, "No."</p> <p>Resident Executive Order 26, 4.b.</p> <p>The Executive Order 26, 4.b. Authorization" form, dated Executive Order 26, 4.b., indicated the resident had consented to annual administration of the Executive Order 26, 4.b. and to the administration of the Executive Order 26, 4.b.. The EHR indicated the resident had been administered the Executive Order 26, 4.b. on Executive Order 26, 4.b. and Executive Order 26, 4.b. on Executive Order 26, 4.b.. The type of Executive Order 26, 4.b. (Executive Order 26, 4.b.) received was not indicated in the clinical record. There was no documentation in the clinical record which indicated the facility had attempted to ascertain the type of pneumonia vaccine the resident had received and/or that the physician had been consulted regarding the resident's pneumonia vaccine status to determine if another dose was warranted. There was no documentation in the EHR or in the paper chart which indicated the resident/resident's representative had been educated regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the influenza and/or pneumonia vaccines.</p> <p>On 01/05/2021 at 11:26 AM, the ICP was asked if there was documentation that education of the risks and benefits of a flu and/or pneumonia vaccine had been provided/discussed with the resident/resident's representative. She stated, "No." The ICP was asked if the pneumonia vaccine had been administered after the resident's consent was obtained. She stated, "No."</p>	F 883	<p>to ensure proper schedule of pneumococcal vaccination (step 2) and prevent laps in immunization as recommended by CDC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 random charts will be picked for review by the DON or designee weekly to ensure compliance with documentation of teaching about benefits and risks of immunization provided to resident and families for 3 months. All new admissions and re-admissions will be reviewed weekly by DON or designee for 3 months to ensure documentation of teaching about benefits and risks of immunization provided to resident and families, signed consent, administration of vaccination if indicated and cleared by PCP and/or documentation of refusal. <p>4. Results of the audits will be reviewed quarterly for 6 months at the QAPI meeting.</p> <p>References</p> <p>CDC. (2020). Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults. Retrieved from https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd/pneumo/downloads/pneumo-vaccine-timing.pdf</p> <p>CMS. (2017). State Operations Manual Appendix PP - Guidance to Surveyors for Long Term Care Facilities. Retrieved from https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/som107ap_pp_guidelines_ltc.pdf</p>		

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F 883	<p>Continued From page 7</p> <p>The facility's "Influenza Vaccine" policy and procedure, reviewed/revised 09/2020, indicated: "...If consent of the resident or responsible party is obtained for this immunization, the district nurse will then order the flu vaccine from the provider pharmacy..." The policy and procedure did not address the requirement to provide education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the immunization to the resident/resident's representative.</p> <p>The facility's "Pneumonia Vaccine" policy and procedure indicated: "...It is the policy of this facility that all residents will be evaluated at the time of admission for the appropriateness of receiving the Pneumonia Vaccine. . . Each physician on admission and/or upon annual review, will discuss with the resident and the resident's family, if applicable, the need for immunization with the pneumococcal vaccine and determined if this medication is appropriate at the time..." The policy and procedure did not address the requirement to obtain the resident's/resident's representative's consent prior to administering the vaccine and/or the requirement to provide education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the immunization to the resident/resident's representative.</p> <p>N.J. Admin. Code § 8:39-19.4(h) N.J. Admin. Code § 8:39-19.4(i)</p>	F 883			