

Agency for Health Care Administration

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{A 000}	Initial Comments A revisit to the re-licensure survey was conducted on _____ at Palm Cottages of Rockledge Assisted Living in Rockledge Florida. Deficiencies remained uncorrected at the time of the visit.	{A 000}		
{A 010} SS=D	429.26() FS; 59A-36.006(4) FAC Admissions - Continued Residency 429.26 Appropriateness of placements; examinations of residents.- (1) The owner or administrator of a facility is responsible for determining the appropriateness of admission of an individual to the facility and for determining the continued appropriateness of residence of an individual in the facility. A determination must be based upon an evaluation of the strengths, needs, and preferences of the resident, a medical examination, the care and services offered or arranged for by the facility in accordance with facility policy, and any limitations in law or rule related to admission criteria or continued residency for the type of license held by the facility under this part. The following criteria apply to the determination of appropriateness for admission and continued residency of an individual in a facility: (a) A facility may admit or retain a resident who receives a health care service or treatment that is designed to be provided within a private residential setting if all requirements for providing that service or treatment are met by the facility or a third party. (b) A facility may admit or retain a resident who requires the use of assistive devices. (c) A facility may admit or retain an individual receiving hospice services if the arrangement is agreed to by the facility and the resident, additional care is provided by a licensed hospice, and the resident is under the care of a physician	{A 010}		

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{A 010}	Continued From page 1 who agrees that the physical needs of the resident can be met at the facility. The resident must have a plan of care which delineates how the facility and the hospice will meet the scheduled and unscheduled needs of the resident, including, if applicable, staffing for nursing care. (d)1. Except for a resident who is receiving hospice services as provided in paragraph (c), a facility may not admit or retain a resident who is bedridden or who requires 24-hour nursing supervision. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "bedridden" means that a resident is confined to a bed because of the inability to: a. Move, turn, or reposition without total physical assistance; b. Transfer to a chair or wheelchair without total physical assistance; or c. Sit safely in a chair or wheelchair without personal assistance or a physical 2. A resident may continue to reside in a facility if, during residency, he or she is bedridden for no more than 7 consecutive days. 3. If a facility is licensed to provide extended congregate care, a resident may continue to reside in a facility if, during residency, he or she is bedridden for no more than 14 consecutive days. (2) A resident may not be moved from one facility to another without consultation with and agreement from the resident or, if applicable, the resident's representative or designee or the resident's family, guardian, surrogate, or attorney in fact. In the case of a resident who has been placed by the department or the Department of Children and Families, the administrator must notify the appropriate contact person in the applicable department.	{A 010}			

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{A 010}	Continued From page 2 (3) A physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse who is employed by an assisted living facility to provide an initial examination for admission purposes may not have financial interests in the facility. 59A-36.006 (4) CONTINUED RESIDENCY. Except as follows in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this subsection, criteria for continued residency in any licensed facility must be the same as the criteria for admission. As part of the continued residency criteria, a resident must have a -to- medical examination by a health care practitioner at least every 3 years after the initial assessment, or after a significant change, whichever comes first. A significant change is defined in Rule 59A-36.002, F.A.C. The results of the examination must be recorded on the practitioner's form or on AHCA Form 1823, which is incorporated by reference in paragraph (2)(b) of this rule and must be completed in accordance with that paragraph. Exceptions to the requirement to meet the criteria for continued residency are: (a) The resident may be bedridden for no more than 7 consecutive days, unless the resident is receiving licensed hospice services pursuant to Section 429.26(1)(c), F.S. (b) A resident requiring care of a _____ may be retained provided that: 1. The resident contracts directly with a licensed home health agency or a nurse to provide care, or the facility has a limited nursing services license and services are provided pursuant to a plan of care issued by a health care practitioner. 2. The condition is documented in the resident's record; and, 3. If the resident's condition fails to improve within	{A 010}		

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{A 010}	Continued From page 3 30 days, as documented by a health care practitioner, the resident must be discharged from the facility. (c) A _____, ill resident who no longer meets the criteria for continued residency may continue to reside in the facility if the following conditions are met: 1. The resident qualifies for, is admitted to, and consents to receive services from a licensed hospice that coordinates and ensures the provision of any additional care and services that the resident may need; 2. Both the resident, or the resident's legal representative if applicable, and the facility agree to continued residency; 3. A licensed hospice, in consultation with the facility, develops and implements an interdisciplinary care plan that specifies the services being provided by hospice and those being provided by the facility; and, 4. Documentation of the requirements of this paragraph is maintained in the resident's file. (d) The facility administrator is responsible for monitoring the continued appropriateness of placement of a resident in the facility at all times. (e) A hospice resident that meets the qualifications of continued residency pursuant to this subsection may only receive services from the assisted living facility's staff which are within the scope of the facility's license. (f) Assisted living facility staff may provide any nursing service permitted under the facility's license and total help with the activities of daily living for residents admitted to hospice; however, staff may not exceed the scope of their professional licensure or training. (g) Continued residency criteria for facilities holding an extended congregate care license are described in Rule 59A-36.021, F.A.C.	{A 010}			

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{A 010}	Continued From page 4 This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to update resident #4's Health Assessment Form (1823) and the form was not signed by the provider. Findings: A review of resident #4's record revealed she was admitted on . Her record contained a Resident Health Assessment form (1823) which is not signed nor dated. Resident #4's medical history contained ... Parenchymal ... The resident is independent with all Activities of Daily Living (ADLs). The resident receives assistance with self-administration of medication. On at 3:55pm the Administrator confirmed the finding. Class III	{A 010}			
{A 052} SS=D	429.256(); 59A-36.008(3) Medication - Assistance with Self-Admin 429.256 (3) Assistance with self-administration of medication includes: (a) Taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident. For purposes of this paragraph, an syringe that is prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and an , that is prefilled by the manufacturer are considered medications in previously dispensed, properly labeled containers.	{A 052}			

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{A 052}	Continued From page 5 (b) In the presence of the resident, confirming that the medication is intended for that resident, orally advising the resident of the medication name and dosage, opening the container, removing a prescribed amount of medication from the container, and closing the container. The resident may sign a written waiver to opt out of being orally advised of the medication name and dosage. The waiver must identify all of the medications intended for the resident, including names and dosages of such medications, and must immediately be updated each time the resident's medications or dosages change. (c) Placing an oral dosage in the resident's or placing the dosage in another container and helping the resident by lifting the container to his or her . (d) Applying , medications. (e) Returning the medication container to proper storage. (f) Keeping a record of when a resident receives assistance with self-administration under this section. (g) Assisting with the use of a , including removing the cap of a , opening the unit dose of solution, and pouring the prescribed premeasured dose of medication into the dispensing cup of the . (4) Assistance with self-administration of medication does not include: (a) Mixing, , converting, or medication doses, except for measuring a prescribed amount of liquid medication or breaking a scored tablet or crushing a tablet as prescribed. (b) The preparation of syringes for injection or the administration of medications by any injectable route. (c) Administration of medications by way of a tube	{A 052}			

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{A 052}	Continued From page 6 inserted in a _____ of the body. (d) Administration of _____ preparations. (e) The use of irrigations or debriding agents used in the treatment of a skin condition. (f) Assisting with _____, or _____ preparations. (g) Assisting with medications ordered by the physician or health care professional with prescriptive authority to be given "as needed," unless the order is written with specific parameters that preclude independent judgment on the part of the unlicensed person, and the resident requesting the medication is aware of his or her need for the medication and understands the purpose for taking the medication. (h) Medications for which the time of administration, the amount, the strength of dosage, the method of administration, or the reason for administration requires judgment or discretion on the part of the unlicensed person. (5) Assistance with the self-administration of medication by an unlicensed person as described in this section shall not be considered administration as defined in s. 465.003. 59A-36.008 (3) ASSISTANCE WITH SELF-ADMINISTRATION. (a) Any unlicensed person providing assistance with self-administration of medication must be _____ or older, trained to assist with self administered medication pursuant to the training requirements of Rule 59A-36.011, F.A.C., and must be available to assist residents with self-administered medications in accordance with procedures described in Section 429.256, F.S. and this rule. (b) In addition to the specifications of Section 429.256(3), F.S., assistance with	{A 052}			

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{A 052}	Continued From page 7 self-administration of medication includes, orally advising the resident of the name and dosage of the medication and verbally prompting a resident to take medications as prescribed. (c) In order to facilitate assistance with self-administration, trained staff may prepare and make available such items as water, juice, cups, and spoons. Trained staff may also return unused doses to the medication container. Medication, which appears to have been contaminated, must not be returned to the container. (d) Trained staff must observe the resident take the medication. Any concerns about the resident's reaction to the medication or suspected noncompliance must be reported to the resident's health care provider and documented in the resident's record. (e) When a resident who receives assistance with medication is away from the facility and from facility staff, the following options are available to enable the resident to take medication as prescribed: 1. The health care provider may prescribe a medication schedule that coincides with the resident's presence in the facility, 2. The medication container may be given to the resident, a friend, or family member upon leaving the facility, with this fact noted in the resident's medication record, 3. The medication may be transferred to a pill organizer pursuant to the requirements of subsection (2), and given to the resident, a friend, or family member upon leaving the facility, with this fact noted in the resident's medication record, or 4. Medications may be separately prescribed and dispensed in an easier to use form, such as unit dose packaging. (f) Assistance with self-administration of	{A 052}			

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{A 052}	Continued From page 8 medication does not include the activities detailed in Section 429.256(4), F.S. (g) As used in Section 429.256(4)(h), F.S., the terms "judgment" and "discretion" mean interpreting vital signs and evaluating or assessing a resident's condition. (h) All trained staff must adhere to the facility's control policy and procedures when assisting with the self-administration of medication. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview the facility failed to ensure unlicensed staff (F) followed proper procedure while assisting resident #10 with self-administration of medication. Findings: On at 5:15pm unlicensed staff Med. Tech. (F) was observed assisting resident #5 with self-administration of medication. Staff failed to prepare the medication in the presence of the resident. She did not open the container, remove a prescribed amount of medication, or close the container in the presence of the resident. On at 5:15pm the Administrator who also observed the medication assist confirmed staff (F) did not use proper procedure. Class III	{A 052}			
{A 081} SS=D	429.52(1 & 7) FS; 59A-36.011() FAC Training - Staff In-Service 429.52	{A 081}			

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{A 081}	Continued From page 9 (1)(a) Each new assisted living facility employee who has not previously completed core training must attend a preservice orientation provided by the facility before interacting with residents. The preservice orientation must be at least 2 hours in duration and cover topics that help the employee provide responsible care and respond to the needs of facility residents. Upon completion, the employee and the administrator of the facility must sign a statement that the employee completed the required preservice orientation. The facility must keep the signed statement in the employee 's personnel record. (b) Each assisted living facility employee must complete the training required under s. 430.5025. However, an employee of an assisted living facility licensed as a limited mental health facility under s. 429.075 is exempt from the training requirements under s. 430.5025(4)(d). (c) If an assisted living facility employee completes the 1-hour training required under s. 430.5025 before interacting with residents, such training may count toward the 2 hours of preservice orientation required under paragraph (a). (7) Facility staff shall participate in inservice training relevant to their job duties as specified by agency rule. Topics covered during the preservice orientation are not required to be repeated during inservice training. A single certificate of completion that covers all required inservice training topics may be issued to a participating staff member if the training is provided in a single training course. 59A-36.011 (2) STAFF PRESERVICE ORIENTATION.	{A 081}		

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{A 081}	Continued From page 10 (a) Facilities must provide a preservice orientation of at least 2 hours to all new assisted living facility employees who have not previously completed core training as detailed in subsection (1). (b) New staff must complete the preservice orientation prior to interacting with residents. (c) Once complete, the employee and the facility administrator must sign a statement that the employee completed the preservice orientation which must be kept in the employee's personnel record. (d) In addition to topics that may be chosen by the facility administrator, the preservice orientation must cover: 1. Resident's rights; and, 2. The facility's license type and services offered by the facility. (3) STAFF IN-SERVICE TRAINING. Facility administrators or managers shall provide or arrange for the following in-service training to facility staff: (a) Staff who provide direct care to residents, other than nurses, certified nursing assistants, or home health aides trained in accordance with rule 59A-8.0095, F.A.C., must receive a minimum of 1 hour in-service training in _____ control, including universal precautions and facility sanitation procedures, before providing personal care to residents. The facility must use its _____ control policies and procedures when offering this training. Documentation of compliance with the staff training requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1030, relating to _____ borne _____, may be used to meet this requirement. (b) Staff who provide direct care to residents must receive a minimum of 1 hour in-service training within 30 days of employment that covers	{A 081}			

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{A 081}	Continued From page 11 the following subjects: 1. Reporting adverse incidents. 2. Facility emergency procedures including chain-of-command and staff roles relating to emergency evacuation. (c) Staff who provide direct care to residents, who have not taken the core training program, shall receive a minimum of 1 hour in-service training within 30 days of employment that covers the following subjects: 1. Resident rights in an assisted living facility. 2. Recognizing and reporting resident neglect, and . The facility must use its prevention policies and procedures when offering this training. (d) Staff who provide direct care to residents, other than nurses, CNAs, or home health aides trained in accordance with rule 59A-8.0095, F.A.C., must receive 3 hours of in-service training within 30 days of employment that covers the following subjects: 1. Resident behavior and needs. 2. Providing assistance with the activities of daily living. (e) Staff who prepare or serve food, who have not taken the assisted living facility core training must receive a minimum of 1-hour-in-service training within 30 days of employment in safe food handling practices. (f) All facility staff shall receive in-service training regarding the facility's resident elopement response policies and procedures within thirty (30) days of employment. 1. All facility staff shall be provided with a copy of the facility's resident elopement response policies and procedures. 2. All facility staff shall demonstrate an understanding and competency in the implementation of the elopement response	{A 081}		

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{A 081}	Continued From page 12 policies and procedures. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record reviews and interviews the facility failed to provide documentation of a 3-hour training in providing assistance with Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) and behavioral needs for 2 of 6 staff sampled (D & E). Findings: A review of staff D's record revealed she was hired on . Her record did not contain any documentation of a 3-hour training for ADLs and behavioral needs. A review of staff E's record revealed she was hired on . Her record did not contain any documentation of a 3-hour training for ADLs and behavioral needs. On a request was made for documentation of the 3- hour training for ADLs and behavior needs for staff D and Staff E. The Administrator stated she does not know where the Human Resources (HR) person keeps the employee files for training. At 6:30pm in an interview with the Administrator, she confirmed the findings. Class III	{A 081}		

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{A 084} SS=D	59A-36.011(6) FAC 429.52(6), FS Training - Assis Self-Admin Meds & Med Mgmt 59A-36.011 (6) ASSISTANCE WITH THE SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION AND MEDICATION MANAGEMENT. Unlicensed persons who will be providing assistance with the self-administration of medications as described in rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C., must meet the training requirements pursuant to section 429.52(6), F.S., prior to assuming this responsibility. Courses provided in fulfillment of this requirement must meet the following criteria: (a) Training must cover state law and rule requirements with respect to the supervision, assistance, administration, and management of medications in assisted living facilities; procedures and techniques for assisting the resident with self-administration of medication including how to read a prescription label; providing the right medications to the right resident; common medications; the importance of taking medications as prescribed; recognition of side effects and adverse reactions and procedures to follow when residents appear to be experiencing side effects and adverse reactions; documentation and record keeping; and medication storage and disposal. Training shall include demonstrations of proper techniques, including techniques for control, and ensure unlicensed staff have adequately demonstrated that they have acquired the skills necessary to provide such assistance. (b) The training must be provided by a registered nurse or licensed pharmacist who shall issue a training certificate to a trainee who demonstrates, in person and both physically and verbally, the ability to:	{A 084}			

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{A 084}	Continued From page 14 1. Read and understand a prescription label; 2. Provide assistance with self-administration in accordance with section 429.256, F.S., and rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C., including: a. Assist with oral dosage forms, _____ dosage forms, and _____, and dosage forms; b. Measure liquid medications, break scored tablets, and crush tablets in accordance with prescription directions; c. Recognize the need to obtain clarification of an "as needed" prescription order; d. Recognize a medication order which requires judgment or discretion, and to advise the resident, resident's health care provider or facility employer of inability to assist in the administration of such orders; e. Complete a medication observation record; f. Retrieve and store medication; g. Recognize the general signs of adverse reactions to medications and report such reactions; h. Assist residents with _____ syringes that are prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and _____ that are prefilled by the manufacturer by taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident for self-injection; i. Assist with _____; j. Use a _____ to perform _____ testing; k. Assist residents with _____ and continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) devices, excluding the titration of the _____ levels; l. Apply and remove _____ stockings and hosiery; m. Placement and removal of _____, _____ bags,	{A 084}			

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{A 084}	Continued From page 15 excluding the removal of the _____ or manipulation of the _____ site; and, n. Measurement of _____ rate, temperature, and _____ rate. (c) Unlicensed persons, as defined in section 429.256(1)(b), F.S., who provide assistance with self-administered medications and have successfully completed the initial 6 hour training, must obtain, annually, a minimum of 2 hours of continuing education training on providing assistance with self-administered medications and safe medication practices in an assisted living facility. The 2 hours of continuing education training may be provided online. (d) Trained unlicensed staff who, prior to the effective date of this rule, assist with the self-administration of medication and have successfully completed 4 hours of assistance with self-administration of medication training must complete an additional 2 hours of training that focuses on the topics listed in sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. of this section, before assisting with the self-administration of medication procedures listed in sub-subparagraphs (6)(b)2.h.-n. 429.52 (6) Staff assisting with the self-administration of medications under s. 429.256 must complete a minimum of 6 additional hours of training provided by a registered nurse or a licensed pharmacist before providing assistance. Two hours of continuing education are required annually thereafter. The agency shall establish by rule the minimum requirements of this training This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record reviews and interviews the facility failed to provide documentation of a	{A 084}		

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{A 084}	Continued From page 16 Medication Training for both the 6-hour and the 2-hour training on assistance with self-administration of medication for 4 of 6 staff sampled (A, B, D, F). Findings: A review of staff A's record revealed she was hired on . Her record did not contain any documentation of a 2-hour continuation training. A review of staff B's record revealed she was hired on . Her record did not contain any documentation of a 2-hour continuation training. A review of staff D's record revealed she was hired on . Her record did not contain any documentation of a 6-hour initial medication training and 2-hour continuation training. A review of staff F's record revealed she was hired on . Her record did not contain any documentation of a 2-hour continuation training. On a request was made for documentation of training for assistance with self-administration of medication for Staff A, B, D and E.A, B, D, F. The Administrator stated at 6:15pm that she does not know where the HR personnel keep the training files for the facility employees. At 6:40pm in an interview with the Administrator, she confirmed the findings Class III	{A 084}		

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{AE210} SS=D	59A-36.011(8) FAC ECC - Training (8) EXTENDED CONGREGATE CARE (ECC) TRAINING. (a) The administrator and ECC supervisor, if different from the administrator, must complete core training and 4 hours of initial training in extended congregate care prior to the facility receiving its ECC license or within 3 months of beginning employment in a currently licensed ECC facility as an administrator or ECC supervisor. Successful completion of the assisted living facility core training shall be a prerequisite for this training. ECC supervisors who attended the assisted living facility core training prior to _____, shall not be required to take the assisted living facility core training competency test. (b) The administrator and the ECC supervisor, if different from the administrator, must complete a minimum of 4 hours of continuing education every two years in topics relating to the physical, _____, or social needs of frail elderly and persons, or persons with _____'s _____ or related _____. (c) All direct care staff providing care to residents in an ECC program must complete at least 2 hours of in-service training, provided by the facility administrator or ECC supervisor, within 6 months of beginning employment in the facility. The training must address ECC concepts and requirements, including statutory and rule requirements, and the delivery of personal care and supportive services in an ECC facility. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to ensure staff completed the mandatory ECC training within 6 months of hire for 1 of 6 staff sampled (C).	{AE210}		

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{AE210}	Continued From page 18 A review of unlicensed caregiver C file revealed she was hired on Her record did not contain documentation of participation in ECC training. On at 5:40pm the findings were confirmed by the Administrator.	{AE210}			