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A 000	Initial Comments A Standard Biennial survey with limited mental health component and generator monitoring was conducted at Sweet Paradise Elderly Home On . Deficiencies were identified at time of the survey.	A 000		
A 026 SS=D	59A-36.007(2) FAC Resident Care - Social & Leisure Activities (2) SOCIAL AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES. Residents shall be encouraged to participate in social, recreational, educational and other activities within the facility and the community. (a) The facility must provide an ongoing activities program. The program must provide diversified individual and group activities in keeping with each resident's needs, abilities, and interests. (b) The facility must consult with the residents in selecting, planning, and scheduling activities. The facility must demonstrate residents' participation through one or more of the following methods: resident meetings, committees, a resident council, a monitored suggestion box, group discussions, questionnaires, or any other form of communication appropriate to the size of the facility. (c) Scheduled activities must be available at least 6 days a week for a total of not less than 12 hours per week. Watching television is not an activity for the purpose of meeting the 12 hours per week of scheduled activities unless the television program is a special one-time event of special interest to residents of the facility. A facility whose residents choose to attend day programs conducted at adult day care centers, senior centers, mental health centers, or other day programs may count those attendance hours towards the required 12 hours per week of scheduled activities. An activities calendar must	A 026		

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A 026	Continued From page 1 be posted in common areas where residents normally congregate. (d) If residents assist in planning a special activity such as an outing, seasonal festivity, or an excursion, up to 3 hours may be counted toward the required activity time. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation and interview, the facility failed to offer and provided social, recreational or educational, and other activities to the six out of six (Residents #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6) sampled residents. Findings included: On at 8:15 am observed activity calendar posted stated from 10 AM to 12 PM and 2 PM to 4 PM reading and singing. On from 10:00 AM until 12:30 PM observed the hospice resident in bed. Two residents in their rooms doing nothing. Three residents were seated in the front area in recliner chairs watching television until they dosed off and slept. There were no activities offered to them. On at 10:30 AM Resident #1 and 3 were asked if they do activities during that time and both stated, "No". On at 11:37 AM the Administrator acknowledged that there were no activities done with the residents. Class III	A 026		
A 031 SS=D	59A-36.007(6) FAC Resident Care - Third Party Services	A 031		

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A 031	Continued From page 2 (6) THIRD PARTY SERVICES. (a) Nothing in this rule chapter is intended to prohibit a resident or the resident's representative from independently arranging, , and paying for services provided by a third party of the resident's choice, including a licensed home health agency or private nurse, or receiving services through an out-patient clinic, provided the resident meets the criteria for admission and continued residency and the resident complies with the facility's policy relating to the delivery of services in the facility by third parties. The facility's policies must require the third party to coordinate with the facility regarding the resident's condition and the services being provided. (b) When residents require or arrange for services from a third party provider, the facility administrator or designee must allow for the receipt of those services, provided that the resident meets the criteria for admission and continued residency. The facility, when requested by residents or representatives, must coordinate with the provider to facilitate the receipt of care and services provided to meet the , resident's needs. (c) The administrator or designee must ensure that: 1. Care coordination includes documented communications about the resident's condition and response to treatment or services ordered by the physician which may impact the resident's appropriateness for continued residency in the facility; 2. Communications occur at least once every 30 days and whenever there is a significant change in the resident's condition; and 3. If physician ordered treatments or services	A 031		

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A 031	Continued From page 3 occur less often than once a month, communications must be conducted according to the ordered treatment or service schedule and whenever there is a significant change in the resident's condition. 4. When communication with the third party provider is unsuccessful, at least two attempts at communication on two separate days must be documented. Documentation must include the name of the person from the third party provider with whom contact was attempted, the method of communication, and the date and time of the attempts. This documentation must be included in the resident's record in accordance with the timeframes in subparagraphs 59A-36.007(6)(c)2. and 3. (d) If residents accept assistance from the facility in arranging and coordinating third party services, the facility's assistance does not represent a guarantee that third party services will be received. If the facility's efforts to make arrangements for third party services are unsuccessful or declined by residents, the facility must include documentation in the residents' record explaining why its efforts were unsuccessful. This documentation will serve to demonstrate its compliance with this subsection. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review the facility failed to have documentation (Interdisciplinary Care Plan) of the third-party service that provided hospice services for one out of six sampled residents (Resident #4). Findings included: On at 12:47 PM the Administrator confirmed Resident #4 did not have the care plan available from third party service (Hospice) in file.	A 031		

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A 031	Continued From page 4 Review of Resident #4's health assessment dated /265 documented that she required total assistance with all activities of daily living and was under hospice services. Record review revealed there was no documentation of the interdisciplinary care plan from third party available for review on Resident #4. Class III	A 031		
A 032 SS=D	59A-36.007(7) FAC Resident Care - Elopement Standards 59A-36.007 (7) ELOPEMENT STANDARDS. (a) Residents Assessed at Risk for Elopement. All residents assessed at risk for elopement or with any history of elopement must be identified so staff can be alerted to their needs for support and supervision. All residents must be assessed for risk of elopement by a health care provider or a mental health care provider within 30 calendar days of being admitted to a facility. If the resident has had a health assessment performed prior to admission pursuant to paragraph 59A-36.006(2)(a), F.A.C., this requirement is satisfied. A resident placed in a facility on a temporary emergency basis by the Department of Children and Families pursuant to Section 415.105 or 415.1051, F.S., is exempt from this requirement for up to 30 days. 1. As part of its resident elopement response policies and procedures, the facility must make, at a minimum, a daily effort to determine that at risk residents have identification on their persons that includes their name and the facility's name, address, and telephone number. Staff trained pursuant to paragraph 59A-36.011(10)(a) or (c),	A 032		

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A 032	Continued From page 5 F.A.C., must be generally aware of the location of all residents assessed at high risk for elopement at all times. 2. The facility must have a photo identification of at risk residents on file that is accessible to all facility staff and law enforcement as necessary. The facility's file must contain the resident's photo identification upon admission or upon being assessed at risk for elopement subsequent to admission. The photo identification may be provided by the facility, the resident, or the resident's representative. (b) Facility Resident Elopement Response Policies and Procedures. The facility must develop detailed written policies and procedures for responding to a resident elopement. At a minimum, the policies and procedures must provide for: 1. An immediate search of the facility and premises, 2. The identification of staff responsible for implementing each part of the elopement response policies and procedures, including specific duties and responsibilities, 3. The identification of staff responsible for contacting law enforcement, the resident's family, guardian, health care surrogate, and case manager if the resident is not located pursuant to subparagraph (8)(b)1.; and, 4. The continued care of all residents within the facility in the event of an elopement. (c) Facility Resident Elopement Drills. The facility must conduct and document resident elopement drills pursuant to Section 429.41(1)(k), F.S. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to complete two elopement drills annually.	A 032		

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A 032	Continued From page 6 Findings included: On at 11:48 AM Administrator acknowledged they had not documented the last drills completed. A review of the facility records showed only one elopement drill was conducted on and a previous drill on . There was no documentation that the facility completed two elopement drills annually. A review of the Administrator file showed the elopement training was completed . Staff B completed the elopement training on . Staff C completed the elopement training on . Class III	A 032		
A 054 SS=D	59A-36.008(5) FAC Medication - Records (5) MEDICATION RECORDS. (a) For residents who use a pill organizer managed in subsection (2), the facility must keep either the original labeled medication container; or a medication listing with the prescription number, the name and address of the issuing pharmacy, the health care provider's name, the resident's name, the date dispensed, the name and strength of the drug, and the directions for use. (b) The facility must maintain a daily medication observation record for each resident who receives assistance with self-administration of medications or medication administration. A medication observation record must be immediately updated each time the medication is offered or administered and include:	A 054		

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A 054	Continued From page 7 1. The name of the resident and any known the resident may have; 2. The name of the resident's health care provider and the health care provider's telephone number; 3. The name, strength, and directions for use of each medication; and, 4. A chart for recording each time the medication is taken, any missed dosages, refusals to take medication as prescribed, or medication errors. (c) For medications that serve as chemical , the facility must, pursuant to Section 429.41, F.S., maintain a record of the prescribing physician's annual evaluation of the use of the medication. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the facility failed to maintain the daily medication observation record for one out of six sampled residents (Resident #4). Findings included: On at 11:47 AM the Administrator confirmed the times were not listed on the medication sheet. A review of Resident # 4's medication record showed 0.083% and 8.6 mg showed AM and PM and did not have specific times listed for the medications. A review of Administrator file revealed a two-hour medication training was completed on . Staff B completed a six-hour medication training course on . Staff C completed a six-hour medication training on . Class III	A 054		

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A 078 SS=D	59A-36.010(2) FAC Staffing Standards - Staff (2) STAFF. (a) Within 30 days after beginning employment, newly hired staff must submit a written statement from a health care provider documenting that the individual does not have any signs or symptoms of communicable . The examination performed by the health care provider must have been conducted no earlier than 6 months before submission of the statement. Newly hired staff does not include an employee transferring without a break in service from one facility to another when the facility is under the same management or ownership. 1. Evidence of a negative examination must be documented on an annual basis. Documentation provided by the Florida Department of Health or a licensed health care provider certifying that there is a shortage of testing materials satisfies the annual examination requirement. An individual with a positive test must submit a health care provider's statement that the individual does not constitute a risk of . 2. If any staff member has, or is suspected of having, a communicable , such individual must be immediately removed from duties until a written statement is submitted from a health care provider indicating that the individual does not constitute a risk of transmitting a communicable . (b) Staff must be qualified to perform their assigned duties consistent with their level of education, training, preparation, and experience. Staff providing services requiring licensing or certification must be appropriately licensed or certified. All staff must exercise their responsibilities, consistent with their	A 078		

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A 078	Continued From page 9 qualifications, to observe residents, to document observations on the appropriate resident's record, and to report the observations to the resident's health care provider in accordance with this rule chapter. (c) All staff must comply with the training requirements of rule 59A-36.011, F.A.C. (d) An assisted living facility to provide services to residents must ensure that individuals providing services are qualified to perform their assigned duties in accordance with this rule chapter. The contract between the facility and the staffing agency or contractor must specifically describe the services the staffing agency or contractor will provide to residents. (e) For facilities with a licensed capacity of 17 or more residents, the facility must: 1. Develop a written job description for each staff position and provide a copy of the job description to each staff member; and, 2. Maintain time sheets for all staff. (f) Level 2 background screening must be conducted for staff, including staff by the facility to provide services to residents, pursuant to sections 408.809 and 429.174, F.S. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to have evidence of freedom from communicable for one out of three (Staff B) for two out of three sampled staff (Staff B and C). Findings included: On at 11:52 AM the Administrator acknowledged that Staff B did not have proof of physical and there was no documentation of a examination for Staff C.	A 078		

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A 078	Continued From page 10 A review of Staff B's records who was hired on did not have evidence of freedom from communicable results. A review of Staff C's records, who was hired on did not have evidence of negative examination which must be documented on an annual basis. The last physical was dated and expired on . Class III	A 078		
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 fulfilment 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	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 11 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: 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	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 12 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, 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.	A 084		

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A 084	Continued From page 13 429.52 (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 interview and record review the facility failed to ensure that one out of three sampled staff (Administrator) had completed a six-hour initial training in assistance with self-administration of medication. Findings included: On at 11:55 AM the Administrator stated, I just became the owner and I have been working to correct everything. A review of the Administrator files hired had no documentation of the six hours of assistance with self-administration of medications training. A review of Administrator file revealed a two-hour medication training was completed on . Class III	A 084		
A 162 SS=D	59A-36.015(3) FAC Records - Resident (3) RESIDENT RECORDS. Resident records must be maintained on the premises and include:	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 14 (a) Resident demographic data as follows: 1. Name, 2. , 3. Race, 4. Date of birth, 5. Place of birth, if known, 6. Social security number, 7. Medicaid and/or Medicare number, or name of other health insurance , 8. Name, address, and telephone number of next of kin, legal representative, or individual designated by the resident for notification in case of an emergency; and, 9. Name, address, and telephone number of the resident's health care practioner and case manager, if applicable. (b) A copy of the Resident Health Assessment form, AHCA Form 1823 or the health care practitioner's medical examination form described in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (c) Any orders for medications, nursing services, therapeutic diets, , or other services to be provided, supervised, or implemented by the facility that require a health care provider's order. (d) Documentation of a resident's refusal of a therapeutic diet pursuant to Rule 59A-36.012, F.A.C., if applicable. (e) The resident care record described in paragraph 59A-36.007(1)(f), F.A.C. (f) A ◡ record that is initiated on admission. Information may be taken from AHCA Form 1823 or the resident's health assessment. Residents receiving assistance with the activities of daily living must have their ◡ recorded semi-annually. This subsection does not apply to residents who are receiving licensed hospice services when such residents, their representatives, or their physicians request in	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 15 writing that ⌄ not be taken. (g) For facilities that will have unlicensed staff assisting the resident with the self-administration of medication, a copy of the written informed consent described in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C., if such consent is not included in the resident's contract. (h) For facilities that manage a pill organizer, assist with self-administration of medications or administer medications for a resident, copies of the required medication records maintained pursuant to Rule 59A-36.008, F.A.C. (i) A copy of the resident's contract with the facility, including any addendums to the contract as described in Rule 59A-36.018, F.A.C. (j) For a facility whose owner, administrator, staff, or representative thereof, serves as an attorney in fact for a resident, a copy of the monthly written statement of any transaction made on behalf of the resident as required in Section 429.27, F.S. (k) For any facility that maintains a separate trust fund to receive funds or other property belonging to or due a resident, a copy of the quarterly written statement of funds or other property disbursed as required in Section 429.27, F.S. (l) If the resident is an recipient, a copy of the Department of Children and Families form Alternate Care Certification for , , ( ), CF-ES 1006, , which is hereby incorporated by reference and available for review at: http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No =Ref-04004. The absence of this form will not be the basis for administrative action against a facility if the facility can demonstrate that it has made a good faith effort to obtain the required documentation from the Department of Children and Families. (m) Documentation of the , , of a	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 16 health care surrogate, health care proxy, guardian, or the existence of a power of attorney, where applicable. (n) For hospice patients, the interdisciplinary care plan and other documentation that the resident is a hospice patient as required in Rule 59A-36.006, F.A.C. (o) The resident's , DH Form 1896, if applicable. (p) For independent living residents who receive meals and occupy beds included within the licensed capacity of an assisted living facility, but who are not receiving any personal, limited nursing, or extended congregate care services, record keeping may be limited to a log listing the names of residents participating in this arrangement. (q) Except for resident contracts, which must be retained for 5 years, all resident records must be retained for 2 years following the departure of a resident from the facility unless it is required by contract to retain the records for a longer period of time. Upon request, residents must be provided with a copy of their records upon departure from the facility. (r) Additional resident records requirements for facilities holding a limited mental health, extended congregate care, or limited nursing services license are provided in Rules 59A-36.020, 59A-36.021 and 59A-36.022, F.A.C., respectively. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review the facility failed to have a complete health assessment for one of six sampled residents (Resident #1). Findings included: A review of Resident #1's health assessment dated showed that the activities of daily	A 162		

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A 162	Continued From page 17 living for transfer were left blank. On at 11:50 AM the Administrator acknowledged that the health assessment was not fully completed. Class III	A 162		
A 182 SS=D	59A-36.019(3) FAC Emergency Mgmt - Plan Implementation (3) PLAN IMPLEMENTATION. (a) All staff must be trained in their duties and are responsible for implementing the emergency management plan. New staff must be trained on the plan within 30 days of employment. (b) If telephone service is not available during an emergency, the facility must request assistance from local law enforcement or emergency management personnel in maintaining communication This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, and interview, the facility failed to have a working monoxide detector installed. Findings included: On at 7:24 AM while conducting tour of the facility observed the monoxide detector mounted on the wall in the dining area. On at 7:26 AM Staff B (caregiver) was asked to test the monoxide detector on the wall. The caregiver grabbed a chair and then pressed the button for the monoxide detector two times and nothing happened. Further observations revealed it had no indicator	A 182		

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A 182	Continued From page 18 lights, and nothing appeared on the screen. On at 9:15 AM Owner wife stated she was leaving to get the battery for the monoxide detector. On at 11:57 PM the Administrator stated, "The battery was put in the monoxide detector. It works now." Class III	A 182		
AL243 SS=D	429.075(1) FS; 59A-36.011(9) FAC LMH - Training 429.075 (1) To obtain a limited mental health license, a facility must hold a standard license as an assisted living facility, must not have any current uncorrected violations, and must ensure that, within 6 months after receiving a limited mental health license, the facility administrator and the staff of the facility who are in direct contact with mental health residents must complete training of no less than 6 hours related to their duties. This designation may be made at the time of initial licensure or relicensure or upon request in writing by a licensee under this part and part II of chapter 408. Notification of approval or denial of such request shall be made in accordance with this part, part II of chapter 408, and applicable rules. This training must be provided by or approved by the Department of Children and Families. 59A-36.011 (9) LIMITED MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING. (a) Pursuant to section 429.075, F.S., the administrator, managers and staff, who have direct contact with mental health residents in a	AL243		

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AL243	Continued From page 19 licensed limited mental health facility, must receive the following training: 1. A minimum of 6 hours of specialized training in working with individuals with mental health diagnoses. a. The training must be provided or approved by the Department of Children and Families and must be taken within 6 months of the facility's receiving a limited mental health license or within 6 months of employment in a limited mental health facility. b. Training received under this subparagraph may count once for 6 of the 12 hours of continuing education required for administrators and managers pursuant to section 429.52(5), F.S., and subsection (1) of this rule. 2. A minimum of 3 hours of continuing education, which may be provided by the ALF administrator, online, or through distance learning, biennially thereafter in subjects dealing with one or more of the following topics: a. Mental health diagnoses; and, b. Mental health treatment such as: (I) Mental health needs, services, behaviors and appropriate interventions; (II) Resident progress in achieving treatment goals; (III) How to recognize changes in the resident's status or condition that may affect other services received or may require intervention; and, ( ) Crisis services and the procedures. 3. For administrators and managers, the continuing education requirement under this subsection will satisfy 3 of the 12 hours of continuing education required biennially pursuant to section 429.52(5), F.S., and subsection (1) of this rule. 4. Administrators, managers and direct contact	AL243		

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AL243	Continued From page 20 staff affected by the continuing education requirement under this subsection shall have up to 6 months after the effective date of this rule to meet the training requirement. (b) Administrators, managers and staff do not have to repeat the initial training should they change employers provided they present a copy of their training certificate to the current employer for retention in the facility's personnel files. They must also ensure that copies of the continuing education training certificates, pursuant to subparagraph (a)2. of this subsection, are retained in their personnel files. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview and record review, the facility failed to ensure that one out of three sampled staff (Administrator) had completed the six- or eight-hours training in working with individuals with mental health diagnoses. Findings included: On at 7:20 AM observed the facility license posted on the wall with the limited mental health component listed. On at 12:00 PM the Administrator stated she thought it was in the file. A review of Administrator's file who had been hired on had no evidence that she had completed a minimum of six or eight hours of specialized training in working with individuals with mental health diagnoses. Class III	AL243		