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E 000	Initial Comments			E 000			
	Federal Recertification Survey 06/10/2025						
E 015 SS=D	Cummings Health Care, a long-term care facility, was surveyed on 06/10/2025 between the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM and is not in substantial compliance with 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 483.73 Requirement for Long Term Care Facilities for Emergency Preparedness. Subsistence Needs for Staff and Patients CFR(s): 483.73(b)(1) §403.748(b)(1), §418.113(b)(6)(iii), §441.184(b)(1), §460.84(b)(1), §482.15(b)(1), §483.73(b)(1), §483.475(b)(1), §485.542(b)(1), §485.625(b)(1) [(b) Policies and procedures. [Facilities] must develop and implement emergency preparedness policies and procedures, based on the emergency plan set forth in paragraph (a) of this section, risk assessment at paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and the communication plan at paragraph (c) of this section. The policies and procedures must be reviewed and updated every 2 years [annually for LTC facilities]. At a minimum, the policies and procedures must address the following: (1) The provision of subsistence needs for staff and patients whether they evacuate or shelter in place, include, but are not limited to the following: (i) Food, water, medical and pharmaceutical supplies (ii) Alternate sources of energy to maintain the following: (A) Temperatures to protect patient health and safety and for the safe and sanitary storage of provisions.			E 015			
LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE				TITLE		(X6) DATE	

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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E 015	Continued From page 1 (B) Emergency lighting. (C) Fire detection, extinguishing, and alarm systems. (D) Sewage and waste disposal. *[For Inpatient Hospice at §418.113(b)(6)(iii):] Policies and procedures. (6) The following are additional requirements for hospice-operated inpatient care facilities only. The policies and procedures must address the following: (iii) The provision of subsistence needs for hospice employees and patients, whether they evacuate or shelter in place, include, but are not limited to the following: (A) Food, water, medical, and pharmaceutical supplies. (B) Alternate sources of energy to maintain the following: (1) Temperatures to protect patient health and safety and for the safe and sanitary storage of provisions. (2) Emergency lighting. (3) Fire detection, extinguishing, and alarm systems. (C) Sewage and waste disposal. This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Federal Recertification Survey 06/10/2025 Based on observation and record review, the long term care facility failed to maintain provision of subsistence needs for staff and patients whether they evacuate or shelter in place for Emergency Preparedness Plan in accordance with 42 CFR 483.73 Findings:	E 015			

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E 015	Continued From page 2 On 06/10/2025, between the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:30PM, a surveyor, with the Administrator present, observed the following: 1. The was no documentation provided in the emergency preparedness plan for food, water, medical and pharmaceutical supplies, or waste disposal with updated Memorandums of Understanding to verify how they would get replenished in the event they had to evacuate or shelter in place. When I asked for documentation, no other MOUs could be produced. The only MOU provided was one for an evacuation agreement with the Maine Veterans Home dated 2025. There were no others provided. The surveyor confirmed this finding with the Administrator at the time of the observation.	E 015			
K 000	INITIAL COMMENTS Federal Recertification Survey: Date: 06/10/2025 Cummings Health Care Facility, a Long Term Care Facility, was surveyed on 06/10/2025 between the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM to the National Fire Protection Association 101 Life Safety Code 2012 Edition as reference on 42 CFR 483.90 (a-d) physical environment and is not in substantial compliance.	K 000			
K 914 SS=D	Electrical Systems - Maintenance and Testing CFR(s): NFPA 101 Electrical Systems - Maintenance and Testing Hospital-grade receptacles at patient bed locations and where deep sedation or general anesthesia is administered, are tested after initial	K 914			

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K 914	Continued From page 3 installation, replacement or servicing. Additional testing is performed at intervals defined by documented performance data. Receptacles not listed as hospital-grade at these locations are tested at intervals not exceeding 12 months. Line isolation monitors (LIM), if installed, are tested at intervals of less than or equal to 1 month by actuating the LIM test switch per 6.3.2.6.3.6, which activates both visual and audible alarm. For LIM circuits with automated self-testing, this manual test is performed at intervals less than or equal to 12 months. LIM circuits are tested per 6.3.3.3.2 after any repair or renovation to the electric distribution system. Records are maintained of required tests and associated repairs or modifications, containing date, room or area tested, and results. 6.3.4 (NFPA 99) This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on documentation review the facility, failed to ensure that inspection of the retention force of receptacles not listed as hospital-grade are tested at intervals not exceeding 12 months in accordance with NFPA 99, Healthcare Facilities Code, 2012 edition, Section 6.3.3.2.. Findings: On 06/10/2025, between 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM, a surveyor, with the Administrator present observed the following: 1. No documentation of the annual testing of the non-hospital grade receptacles in resident rooms could be provided at the time of the survey. Testing the physical integrity of each receptacle, continuity of the grounding circuit, correct polarity of the hot and neutral connections, and the	K 914			

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K 914	Continued From page 4 retention force of the grounding blade of each electrical receptacle.			K 914			
K 918 SS=D	The surveyor confirmed this finding with the Administrator at the time of the observation, and at the time of the exit interview. Electrical Systems - Essential Electric Syste CFR(s): NFPA 101 Electrical Systems - Essential Electric System Maintenance and Testing The generator or other alternate power source and associated equipment is capable of supplying service within 10 seconds. If the 10-second criterion is not met during the monthly test, a process shall be provided to annually confirm this capability for the life safety and critical branches. Maintenance and testing of the generator and transfer switches are performed in accordance with NFPA 110. Generator sets are inspected weekly, exercised under load 30 minutes 12 times a year in 20-40 day intervals, and exercised once every 36 months for 4 continuous hours. Scheduled test under load conditions include a complete simulated cold start and automatic or manual transfer of all EES loads, and are conducted by competent personnel. Maintenance and testing of stored energy power sources (Type 3 EES) are in accordance with NFPA 111. Main and feeder circuit breakers are inspected annually, and a program for periodically exercising the components is established according to manufacturer requirements. Written records of maintenance and testing are maintained and readily available. EES electrical panels and circuits are marked, readily identifiable, and separate from normal power circuits. Minimizing			K 918			

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K 918	Continued From page 5 the possibility of damage of the emergency power source is a design consideration for new installations. 6.4.4, 6.5.4, 6.6.4 (NFPA 99), NFPA 110, NFPA 111, 700.10 (NFPA 70) This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on observations, the long term care facility failed to comply with the 2012 Life Safety Code 9.1.3.1 Emergency Generators and stand by power systems shall be installed, tested and maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems, 2010 NFPA 110, Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems, Section 5.6.5.6 All installations shall have a remote manual stop station of a type to prevent inadvertent or unintentional operation located outside the room housing the prime mover, where so installed, or elsewhere on the premises where the prime mover is located outside the building. 5.6.5.6.1 the remote manual stop station shall be labeled. Findings: On 06/10/2025 between the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM, surveyor 39983 with the Administrator the following was not met: 1. The generator that is housed on the exterior of the facility does not have a labeled remote manual stop station located on the exterior of the housing, or in the building. The surveyor confirmed this finding with the Administrator at the time of the observation.	K 918			

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K 923 SS=D	Gas Equipment - Cylinder and Container Storage CFR(s): NFPA 101 Gas Equipment - Cylinder and Container Storage Greater than or equal to 3,000 cubic feet Storage locations are designed, constructed, and ventilated in accordance with 5.1.3.3.2 and 5.1.3.3.3. >300 but <3,000 cubic feet Storage locations are outdoors in an enclosure or within an enclosed interior space of non- or limited- combustible construction, with door (or gates outdoors) that can be secured. Oxidizing gases are not stored with flammables, and are separated from combustibles by 20 feet (5 feet if sprinklered) or enclosed in a cabinet of noncombustible construction having a minimum 1/2 hr. fire protection rating. Less than or equal to 300 cubic feet In a single smoke compartment, individual cylinders available for immediate use in patient care areas with an aggregate volume of less than or equal to 300 cubic feet are not required to be stored in an enclosure. Cylinders must be handled with precautions as specified in 11.6.2. A precautionary sign readable from 5 feet is on each door or gate of a cylinder storage room, where the sign includes the wording as a minimum "CAUTION: OXIDIZING GAS(ES) STORED WITHIN NO SMOKING." Storage is planned so cylinders are used in order of which they are received from the supplier. Empty cylinders are segregated from full cylinders. When facility employs cylinders with integral pressure gauge, a threshold pressure considered empty is established. Empty cylinders are marked to avoid confusion. Cylinders stored in the open are protected from weather.	K 923 K 923			

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K 923	Continued From page 7 11.3.1, 11.3.2, 11.3.3, 11.3.4, 11.6.5 (NFPA 99) This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on observations, the health care facility failed to ensure that Gas Equipment - Cylinder and Container Storage in a single smoke compartment, individual cylinders available for immediate use in patient care areas with an aggregate volume of less than or equal to 300 cubic feet are not required to be stored in an enclosure. Cylinders must be handled with precautions as specified in NFPA 99, 2012 edition, 11.6.5.2, 11.6.5.3. If empty and full cylinders are stored within the same enclosure, empty cylinders shall be segregated from full cylinders. Empty cylinders shall be marked to avoid confusion and delay if a full cylinder is needed in a rapid manner. Findings: On 6/10/2025, between 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM, surveyor 39983, with the Administrator, observed the following: 1. The oxygen storage located in a janitorial closet in the service wing is not marked showing the empty tanks from the full tanks. The surveyor confirmed this finding with the Administrator at the time of the observation.	K 923			