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Licensee

Nova Ewing Home

5152 Ewing Avenue North

Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

RE: Project Number(s) SL36225016

Dear Licensee:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) completed a survey on August 4, 2026, for the purpose of evaluating and assessing compliance with state licensing statutes. At the time of the survey, MDH noted violations of the laws pursuant to Minnesota Statute, Chapter 144G, Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules Chapter 4626, Minnesota Statute 626.5572 and/or Minnesota Statute Chapter 260E.

MDH concludes the licensee is in substantial compliance. State law requires the facility must take action to correct the state correction orders and document the actions taken to comply in the facility's records. The Department reserves the right to return to the facility at any time should the Department receive a complaint or deem it necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of residents in your care.

STATE CORRECTION ORDERS

The enclosed State Form documents the state correction orders. MDH documents state licensing correction orders using federal software. Tag numbers are assigned to Minnesota state statutes for Assisted Living Facilities. The assigned tag number appears in the far left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state statute number and the corresponding text of the state statute out of compliance are listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings that are in violation of the state statute after the statement, "This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by . . ."

IMPOSITION OF FINES

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31, Subd. 4, fines and enforcement actions may be imposed based on the level and scope of the violations and may be imposed immediately with no opportunity to correct the violation first as follows:

Level 1: no fines or enforcement;

Level 2: a fine of \$500 per violation, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

Level 3: a fine of \$1,000 per incident, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;

- Level 4: a fine of \$3,000 per incident, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20;
- Level 5: a fine of \$5,000 per violation, in addition to any enforcement mechanism authorized in § 144G.20.

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, the following fines are assessed pursuant to this survey:

- 0775 - 144g.45 Subd. 2. (a) - Fire Protection And Physical Environment - \$500.00**
- 0810 - 144g.45 Subd. 2 (b-F) - Fire Protection And Physical Environment - \$500.00**

Therefore, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 144G.01 to 144G.9999, **the total amount you are assessed is \$1,000.00**. You will be invoiced approximately 30 days after receipt of this notice, subject to appeal.

DOCUMENTATION OF ACTION TO COMPLY

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.30, Subd. 5(c), the licensee must document actions taken to comply with the correction orders within the time period outlined on the state form; however, plans of correction are not required to be submitted for approval.

The correction order documentation should include the following:

- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected related to the resident(s)/employee(s) identified in the correction order.
- Identify how the area(s) of noncompliance was corrected for all of the provider's resident(s)/employees that may be affected by the noncompliance.
- Identify what changes to your systems and practices were made to ensure compliance with the specific statute(s).

CORRECTION ORDER RECONSIDERATION PROCESS

In accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.32, Subd. 2, you may challenge the correction order(s) issued, including the level and scope, and any fine assessed through the correction order reconsideration process. The request for reconsideration must be in writing and received by MDH within 15 calendar days of the correction order receipt date.

To submit a reconsideration request, please visit:

<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

REQUESTING A HEARING

Alternatively, in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 144G.31, Subd. 5(d), an assisted living provider that has been assessed a fine under this subdivision has a right to a reconsideration or a hearing under this section and chapter 14. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 144G.20, Subd. 14 and Subd. 18, a request for a hearing must be in writing and received by the Department of Health within 15 business days of the correction order receipt date. The request must contain a brief and plain statement describing each

matter or issue contested and any new information you believe constitutes a defense or mitigating factor.

To submit a hearing request, please visit:

<https://forms.web.health.state.mn.us/form/HRDAppealsForm>

To appeal fines via reconsideration, please follow the procedure outlined above. Please note that you may request a reconsideration **or** a hearing, but not both. If you wish to contest tags without fines in a reconsideration and tags with the fines at a hearing, please submit two separate appeals forms at the website listed above.

The MDH Health Regulation Division (HRD) values your feedback about your experience during the survey and/or investigation process. Please fill out this anonymous provider feedback questionnaire at your convenience at this link: **<https://forms.office.com/g/Bm5uQEPhVa>**. Your input is important to us and will enable MDH to improve its processes and communication with providers.

You are encouraged to retain this document for your records. It is your responsibility to share the information contained in the letter and state form with your organization's Governing Body.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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0 000	Initial Comments *****ATTENTION***** ASSISTED LIVING PROVIDER LICENSING CORRECTION ORDER(S) In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 144G.08 to 144G.95, these correction orders are issued pursuant to a survey. Determination of whether violations are corrected requires compliance with all requirements provided at the Statute number indicated below. When Minnesota Statute contains several items, failure to comply with any of the items will be considered lack of compliance. INITIAL COMMENTS: SL36225016-0 On August 3, 2026 through August 4, 2026, the Minnesota Department of Health conducted a full survey at the above provider and the following correction orders are issued. At the time of the survey, there were three (3) residents; all whom received services under the Assisted Living Facility license.	0 000	Minnesota Department of Health is documenting the State Correction Orders using federal software. Tag numbers have been assigned to Minnesota State Statutes for Assisted Living Facilities. The assigned tag number appears in the far-left column entitled "ID Prefix Tag." The state Statute number and the corresponding text of the state Statute out of compliance is listed in the "Summary Statement of Deficiencies" column. This column also includes the findings which are in violation of the state requirement after the statement, "This Minnesota requirement is not met as evidenced by." Following the evaluators' findings is the Time Period for Correction. PLEASE DISREGARD THE HEADING OF THE FOURTH COLUMN WHICH STATES,"PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION." THIS APPLIES TO FEDERAL DEFICIENCIES ONLY. THIS WILL APPEAR ON EACH PAGE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT A PLAN OF CORRECTION FOR VIOLATIONS OF MINNESOTA STATE STATUTES. THE LETTER IN THE LEFT COLUMN IS USED FOR TRACKING PURPOSES AND REFLECTS THE SCOPE AND LEVEL ISSUED PURSUANT TO 144G.31 SUBDIVISION 1-3.		
0 480 SS=F	144G.41 Subdivision 1 Subd. 1a (a-b) Minimum requirements; required food services	0 480			

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

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0 480	Continued From page 1 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), food must be prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code, Minnesota Rules, chapter 4626. (b) For an assisted living facility with a licensed capacity of ten or fewer residents: (1) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0033, item A, the facility may share a certified food protection manager (CFPM) with one other facility located within a 60-mile radius and under common management provided the CFPM is present at each facility frequently enough to effectively administer, manage, and supervise each facility's food service operation; (2) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0545, item A, kick plates that are not removable or cannot be rotated open are allowed unless the facility has been issued repeated correction orders for violations of Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1565 or 4626.1570; (3) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.0685, item A, the facility is not required to provide integral drainboards, utensil racks, or tables large enough to accommodate soiled and clean items that may accumulate during hours of operation provided soiled items do not contaminate clean items, surfaces, or food, and clean equipment and dishes are air dried in a manner that prevents contamination before storage; (4) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1070, item A, the facility is not required to install a dedicated handwashing sink in its existing kitchen provided it designates one well of a two-compartment sink for use only as a handwashing sink; (5) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, parts 4626.1325, 4626.1335, and 4626.1360, item A, existing floor, wall, and ceiling finishes are	0 480			

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0 480	Continued From page 2 allowed provided the facility keeps them clean and in good condition; (6) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1375, shielded or shatter-resistant lightbulbs are not required, but if a light bulb breaks, the facility must discard all exposed food and fully clean all equipment, dishes, and surfaces to remove any glass particles; and (7) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 4626.1390, toilet rooms are not required to be provided with a self-closing door. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure food was prepared and served according to the Minnesota Food Code. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and is issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Food and Beverage Establishment Inspection Report (FBEIR) dated August 3, 2026, for the specific Minnesota Food Code violations. The Inspection Report was provided to the licensee within 24 hours of the inspection.	0 480			

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	TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Please refer to the FBEIR for any compliance dates.				
0 680 SS=F	144G.42 Subd. 10 Disaster planning and emergency preparedness (a) The facility must meet the following requirements: (1) have a written emergency disaster plan that contains a plan for evacuation, addresses elements of sheltering in place, identifies temporary relocation sites, and details staff assignments in the event of a disaster or an emergency; (2) post an emergency disaster plan prominently; (3) provide building emergency exit diagrams to all residents; (4) post emergency exit diagrams on each floor; and (5) have a written policy and procedure regarding missing residents. (b) The facility must provide emergency and disaster training to all staff during the initial staff orientation and annually thereafter and must make emergency and disaster training annually available to all residents. Staff who have not received emergency and disaster training are allowed to work only when trained staff are also working on site. (c) The facility must meet any additional requirements adopted in rule. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to maintain a written emergency preparedness plan (EPP) with all the required content as defined in Appendix Z. This had the potential to affect all residents, staff, and visitors.	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 4 This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: The licensee's EPP dated September 1, 2024, lacked evidence of the following required and/or updated content: -communication plan-contact information (staffing coordinator and business office manager were no longer employed); and -emergency preparedness testing. On August 3, 2026, at 3:13 p.m., the surveyor asked assistant administrator (AA)-C if they had been testing the licensee's EPP, AA-C stated, "I am going to be honest, I have not." AA-C was shown the contact information page of the EPP and AA-C stated the staffing coordinator and business office manager were no longer employed and would need to update the contact information. The licensee's 9.01 Emergency Preparedness Plan-Appendix Z Compliance policy dated September 1, 2022, indicated the licensee would include all elements of appendix Z. The licensee would conduct, at minimum, two emergency preparedness drills every 12 months-these drills did not include the required fire/evacuation drills. One annual exercise would be a full-scale community wide exercise and second exercise	0 680			

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0 680	Continued From page 5 would either be a second full-scale community wide exercise or a table-top exercise. Minnesota Administrative Rule 4659.0100 dated August 11, 2021, indicated assisted living facilities shall comply with the federal emergency preparedness regulations for long-term care facilities under Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 483.72, or successor requirements. This part referenced documents, specifications, methods, and standards in "State Operations Manual Appendix Z - Emergency Preparedness for All Provider and Certified Supplier Types: Interpretive Guidance." No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty-one (21) days	0 680			
0 775 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2. (a) Fire protection and physical environment Each assisted living facility must comply with the State Fire Code in Minnesota Rules, chapter 7511, and: This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to	0 775			

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0 775	Continued From page 6 cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated August 3, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days.	0 775			
0 800 SS=C	144G.45 Subd. 2 (a) (4) Fire protection and physical environment (4) keep the physical environment, including walls, floors, ceiling, all furnishings, grounds, systems, and equipment in a continuous state of good repair and operation with regard to the health, safety, comfort, and well-being of the residents in accordance with a maintenance and repair program. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G.	0 800			

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0 800	Continued From page 7 This practice resulted in a level one violation (a violation that will cause only minimal impact on the resident and does not affect health or safety) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated August 3, 2026, for the specific violations related the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days.	0 800			
0 810 SS=F	144G.45 Subd. 2 (b-f) Fire protection and physical environment (b) Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans. The plans shall include but are not limited to: (1) location and number of resident sleeping rooms; (2) staff actions to be taken in the event of a fire or similar emergency; (3) fire protection procedures necessary for residents; and (4) procedures for resident movement, evacuation, or relocation during a fire or similar emergency including the identification of unique or unusual resident needs for movement or evacuation. (c) Staff of assisted living facilities shall receive training on the fire safety and evacuation plans upon hiring and at least twice per year thereafter.	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 8 (d) Fire safety and evacuation plans shall be readily available at all times within the facility. (e) Residents who are capable of assisting in their own evacuation shall be trained on the proper actions to take in the event of a fire to include movement, evacuation, or relocation. The training shall be made available to residents at least once per year. (f) Evacuation drills are required for staff twice per year per shift with at least one evacuation drill every other month. Evacuation of the residents is not required. Fire alarm system activation is not required to initiate the evacuation drill. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, interview, and record review, the licensee failed to ensure the physical environment of the facility was maintained in compliance with the requirements of Minnesota Statute 144G. This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death) and was issued at a widespread scope (when problems are pervasive or represent a systemic failure that has affected or has the potential to affect a large portion or all of the residents). The findings include: Please refer to the document titled, Physical Environment Inspection Report (PEIR) dated August 3, 2026, for the specific violations related	0 810			

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0 810	Continued From page 9 the physical environment under Minnesota Statute 144G. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Twenty One (21) days.	0 810			
01730 SS=D	144G.71 Subd. 5 Individualized medication management plan (a) For each resident receiving medication management services, a registered nurse, advanced practice registered nurse, or qualified staff delegated the task by a registered nurse must prepare and include in the service plan a written statement of the medication management services that will be provided to the resident. The facility must develop and maintain a current individualized medication management record for each resident based on the resident's assessment that must contain the following: (1) a statement describing the medication management services that will be provided; (2) a description of storage of medications based on the resident's needs and preferences, risk of diversion, and consistent with the manufacturer's directions; (3) documentation of specific resident instructions relating to the administration of medications; (4) identification of persons responsible for monitoring medication supplies and ensuring that medication refills are ordered on a timely basis; (5) identification of medication management tasks that may be delegated to unlicensed personnel; (6) procedures for staff notifying a registered nurse or appropriate licensed health professional when a problem arises with medication management services; and (7) any resident-specific requirements relating to	01730			

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01730	Continued From page 10 documenting medication administration, verifications that all medications are administered as prescribed, and monitoring of medication use to prevent possible complications or adverse reactions. (b) The medication management record must be current and updated when there are any changes. (c) Medication reconciliation must be completed when a licensed nurse, licensed health professional, or authorized prescriber is providing medication management. This MN Requirement is not met as evidenced by: Based on interview and record review, the licensee failed to develop an individualized medication management plan with the required content for one of two residents (R2). This practice resulted in a level two violation (a violation that did not harm a resident's health or safety but had the potential to have harmed a resident's health or safety, but was not likely to cause serious injury, impairment, or death), and was issued at an isolated scope (when one or a limited number of residents are affected or one or a limited number of staff are involved or the situation has occurred only occasionally). The findings include: During the entrance conference on August 3, 2026, at approximately 10:19 a.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated the licensee provided medication management services to their residents at the facility. R2 was admitted for services on May 26, 2023,	01730			

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01730	Continued From page 11 with a diagnosis including diabetes. R2's service plan dated January 20, 2026, indicated R2 received assistance with medication administration. R2's individualized medication management plan failed to include the required content: - identification of persons responsible for monitoring medication supplies and ensuring that medication refills are ordered on a timely basis. On August 4, 2026, at 12:45 p.m., clinical nurse supervisor (CNS)-A stated they could not locate within R2's record identification of who was responsible for monitoring medication supplies. The licensee's Medication Management Individualized Plan policy dated September 1, 2022, indicated the licensee would develop and maintain a current individualized medication management record for each resident based on the resident's assessment that would identify persons responsible for monitoring medication supplies and ensuring that medication refills were ordered on a timely basis. No further information was provided. TIME PERIOD FOR CORRECTION: Seven (7) days	01730			



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Food & Beverage Inspection Report

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Establishment Info

Nova Ewing Home
5152 EWING AVENUE NORTH
Brooklyn Park, MN
Parcel:

Phone:

License Info

License: HFID 36225

Risk:
License:
Expires on:
CFPM: DHEERAJ KARKI
CFPM #: 109346; Exp: 11-19-2027

Inspection Info

Report Number: F1062261163
Inspection Type: Full - Single
Date: 8/3/2026 Time: 11:00 am
Duration: minutes
Announced Inspection:
Total Priority 1 Orders: 0
Total Priority 2 Orders: 0
Total Priority 3 Orders: 2
Delivery: Emailed

New Order: 2-300 Personal Cleanliness

2-301.12C *Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 8*

MN Rule 4626.0070C Food employees must avoid recontamination of their hands after handwashing by using a disposable paper towel or similar clean barrier to close faucet handles on a handwashing sink or the handle on a restroom door.

COMMENT: OBSERVED KITCHEN STAFF WASH HANDS AND TURN SINK OFF WITH BARE HANDS. COMPLY WITH RULE ABOVE.

Comply By: 8/3/2026 Originally Issued On: 8/3/2026

New Order: 3-300C Protection from Contamination: equipment/utensils, consumers

3-304.12B *Priority Level: Priority 3 CFP#: 43*

MN Rule 4626.0275B Store the food preparation and dispensing utensil in a food that is not TCS food with the handles above the top of the food within containers or equipment that can be closed such as bins of sugar, flour or cinnamon.

COMMENT: OBSERVED SMALL PLASTIC CUP STORED IN SUGAR SUCH THAT HAND CONTACT SURFACE WAS IN CONTACT WITH THE SUGAR. ENSURE UTENSILS STORED IN CONTAINER WITH FOOD HAVE HANDLES SO THAT HAND CONTACT SURFACES OF THE UTENSIL CAN BE KEPT OUT OF CONTACT WITH FOOD.

Comply By: 8/3/2026 Originally Issued On: 8/3/2026

Food & Beverage General Comment

INSPECTION COMPLETED ON BEHALF OF ANNA BOHNEN HRD.

FACILITY USES TWO COMPARTMENT SINK, ONE BASIN DEDICATED TO HANDWASHING. TILE FLOOR, DRYWALL, LAMINATE COUNTERS

DISCUSSED UTENSIL STORAGE, HANDWASHING, SANITIZER TESTING, AND ILLNESS RECORDING.

NOTE: All new food equipment must meet the applicable standards of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). Plans and specifications must be submitted for review and approval prior to new construction, remodeling or alterations.

I acknowledge receipt of the Metro District Office inspection report number F1062261163 from 8/3/2026

DHEERAJ KARKI
CFPM

Nicholas Streeter, RS
Public Health Sanitarian 2



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Temperature Observations/Recordings

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Nova Ewing Home	Report Number: F1062261163
Brooklyn Park	Inspection Type: Full
County/Group:	Date: 8/3/2026
	Time: 11:00 am

Food Temperature: **Product/Item/Unit:** EGG WHITES; **Temperature Process:** Cold-Holding

Location: Refrigerator at 40 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No

Food Temperature: **Product/Item/Unit:** BOILED EGGS; **Temperature Process:** Cooking

Location: Stove at 146 Degrees F.

Comment:

Violation Issued?: No



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Sanitizer Observations/Recordings

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Establishment Info

Nova Ewing Home
Brooklyn Park
County/Group:

Inspection Info

Report Number: F1062261163
Inspection Type: Full
Date: 8/3/2026
Time: 11:00 am

Sanitizing Equipment: Product: Hot Water; **Sanitizing Process:** Dish Machine
Location: Kitchen **Equal To** 160 Degrees F.
Comment:
Violation Issued?: No

Physical Environment Inspection Report

ENGINEERING | ASSISTED LIVING

Project No: SL36225016	Date: 8/3/2026
Facility Name: Nova Ewing Home	
Facility Address: 5152 Ewing Ave N, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429	

☒ TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0775

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) days

1. Each assisted living facility must comply with the provisions of the Minnesota State Fire Code (MSFC) in Minnesota Rules chapter 7511. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2]
2. Fire detection and alarm systems, emergency alarm systems, gas detection systems, fire-extinguishing systems, mechanical smoke exhaust systems and smoke and heat vents shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times and shall be replaced or repaired where defective. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 901.6]

Comments: Several old detector heads tied into an alarm panel were present in the facility but were inoperable and in a state of disuse and disrepair. Non-functional alarm hardware should be restored to operability and maintained or removed if it is not required.

3. A means of egress shall be free from obstructions that would prevent its use, including the accumulation of snow and ice. Means of egress shall remain free of any material or matter where its presence would obstruct or render the means of egress hazardous. No combustible material storage is allowed in the corridors or exit stairs. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 1031.3]

Comments: The egress window in resident room 1 was obstructed by stored materials including a wheelchair, mini fridge and stored boxes. The storage of these items delayed access to the window and prevented ready access in an emergency. Egress windows should be maintained free of obstruction.

4. Relocatable power taps (power strips) shall be directly connected to a permanently installed receptacle. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd. 2; MSFC 604.4.2]

Comments: Several power strips were connected in sequence in resident room 1. Power strips should be directly connected to wall outlet and should not be plugged into each other as it may pose a fire hazard.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0800**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 1; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) days

1. The physical environment, including walls, floors, ceiling, all furnishings, grounds, systems, and equipment are in a continuous state of good repair and operation with regard to the health, safety, comfort, and well-being of the residents in accordance with a maintenance and repair program. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments:

The door frame to resident room 2 was significantly scuffed and damaged. The door frame should be repaired and maintained in a state of proper repair.

The soffit in the Northeast corner of the facility was damaged and had a large hole. The hole in the soffit should be repaired and maintained in a state of proper repair to prevent the intrusion of pests.

☒ **TAG IDENTIFICATION: 0810**

SCOPE/ SEVERITY: Level 2; Widespread

TIME PERIOD OF CORRECTION: Seven (7) days

1. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that include employee actions to be taken in the event of a fire or similar emergency. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The licensee provided multiple different and conflicting plans for employee actions during a fire or similar emergency as part of the FSEP. The plans provided to the surveyor were not site-specific and included references to fire safety equipment that was not present within the facility. Employee actions should be accurate, organized and specific to the facility.

2. Each assisted living facility shall develop and maintain fire safety and evacuation plans (FSEP) that include fire protection procedures necessary for residents. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The licensee failed to provide specific and accurate written resident procedures for evacuation. Plans should be developed for residents and maintained within the FSEP to ensure residents have proper training on fire protection procedures for the facility.

3. Evacuation drills are required for employees twice per year per shift with at least one evacuation drill every other month. Evacuation of the residents is not required. Fire alarm system activation is not required to initiate the evacuation drill. [Minn. Stat. 144G.45 subd.2]

Comments: The FSEP included documentation of regular fire drills until February 2026, but no further drills after that time. Facility staff indicated that the most recent drill occurred on February 20, 2026. Fire drills should occur at twice per shift per year and at least once every other month.