

Division of Health Service Regulation

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: HAL059034	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: 01 B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 08/01/2019
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER MCDOWELL HOUSE		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1687 DAIRY ROAD NEBO, NC 28761		
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C 000	Initial Comments Report of Construction Section Biennial Survey by Dennis Harrell on 8-1-2019. Records indicate this facility was converted from a school to a Home for the Aged on 1-1-1985. The facility is licensed for 25 residents. Based on this information, the facility was surveyed using the 1984 Minimum Standards and Regulations for Homes for the Aged and Disabled, the 1978 NC State Building Code and the applicable portions of the current Rules for Adult Care Homes of Seven or More Beds.	C 000		
C 111	Must Have Current San. & Fire Safety Reports SECTION .0300 - PHYSICAL PLANT 10A NCAC 13F .0302 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION(f) The facility shall have current sanitation and fire and building safety inspection reports which shall be maintained in the home and available for review. This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on a review of documents, the most recent annual fire alarm system inspection report was dated 5-25-2017. Fire alarm systems that are not inspected and approved annually as required could result in the fire alarm system not operating properly in the event of an actual fire.	C 111		
C 135	Bathrooms-Not to Be Utilized for Storage SECTION .0300 - PHYSICAL PLANT 10A NCAC 13F .0305 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT (e) The requirements for bathrooms and toilet rooms are:	C 135		

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C 135	Continued From page 1 (10) Resident toilet rooms and bathrooms shall not be utilized for storage or purposes other than those indicated in Item (4) of this Rule; This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation, the bathroom, with the bathtub accessible on 2 sides, was being used for excessive storage. This resulted in the tub being inaccessible.	C 135		
C 185	Fire Safety-Rehearsals on Each Shift SECTION .0300 - PHYSICAL PLANT 10A NCAC 13F .0309 PLAN FOR EVACUATION (b) There shall be rehearsals of the fire plan quarterly on each shift in accordance with the requirement of the local Fire Prevention Code Enforcement Official. (c) Records of rehearsals shall be maintained and copies furnished to the county department of social services annually. The records shall include the date and time of the rehearsals, the shift, staff members present, and a short description of what the rehearsal involved. (f) This Rule shall apply to new and existing facilities. This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of documents, fire drill rehearsals are not being done regularly with at least one per shift each quarter. Failure to rehearse the fire plan could lead to confusion and delay in an actual emergency. Finding on 8-1-2019: In the 2nd quarter of this year, there was no rehearsal done during the 2nd shift.	C 185		

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C 189	Continued From page 2	C 189		
C 189	Building Equipment Maintained Safe, Operating SECTION .0300 - PHYSICAL PLANT 10A NCAC 13F .0311 OTHER REQUIREMENTS (a) The building and all fire safety, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing equipment in an adult care home shall be maintained in a safe and operating condition. (k) This Rule shall apply to new and existing facilities with the exception of Paragraph (e) which shall not apply to existing facilities. This Rule is not met as evidenced by: 1. Based on observation, the corridor smoke detector designated Zone 22, failed to activate when tested with smoke. Smoke detectors that do not work properly endanger all residents and staff. 2. Based on observation, corridor doors are prevented from closing quickly and latching to resist the passage of fire and smoke. Corridor doors that do not close completely and latch present the possibility that a fire that begins in one space can quickly spread to the corridor and the remainder of the facility. Findings on 8-1-2019; a. There was a hole at the latchset through the door to the locker room. b. There was a hole at the latchset through the door to the laundry. c. The hinges are loose on the laundry door causing it to drag and making it hard to close. e. The door to the shower room near the dining room was sagged and hard to close. f. The door to room 108 was propped open with a chair. Note; This deficiency was corrected during the survey.	C 189		

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C 191	Unvented & Portable Elec. Heaters Prohibited SECTION .0300 - PHYSICAL PLANT 10A NCAC 13F .0311 OTHER REQUIREMENTS (b) There shall be a heating system sufficient to maintain 75 degrees F (24 degrees C) under winter design conditions. In addition, the following shall apply to heaters and cooking appliances. (2) Unvented fuel burning room heaters and portable electric heaters are prohibited. (k) This Rule shall apply to new and existing facilities with the exception of Paragraph (e) which shall not apply to existing facilities. This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation the facility failed to adhere to the prohibition of portable electric heaters. Portable electric heaters are a potential fire hazard and as such could affect all occupants of the facility. Finding on 8-1-2019: There was a portable electric heater found in use in the shower room near the dining room.	C 191		