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December 4, 2024

Adelit Rukomangana, Manager Second Spring North 1071 Vt Route 15 Underhill, VT 05489-9341

Dear Mr. Rukomangana:

Enclosed is a copy of your acceptable plans of correction for the survey conducted on **November 12, 2024.** Please post this document in a prominent place in your facility.

We may follow up to verify that substantial compliance has been achieved and maintained. If we find that your facility has failed to achieve or maintain substantial compliance, remedies may be imposed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (802) 585-0995.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Scott, LMHC, MS State Long Term Care Manager Division of Licensing & Protection

Division of Licensing and Protection STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA (X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION (X3) DATE SURVEY AND PLAN OF CORRECTION IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: COMPLETED A BUILDING _ 0611 B. WING 11/12/2024 NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1071 VT ROUTE 15 SECOND SPRING NORTH UNDERHILL, VT 05489 SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (X4) ID PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION (X5) PREFIX (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL (EACH CORRECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE **PREFIX** COMPLETE TAG REGULATORY OR LSC (DENTIFYING INFORMATION) CROSS-REFERENCED TO THE APPROPRIATE DATE TAG DEFICIENCY) R100 Initial Comments: R100 On 11/12/24 the Division of Licensing and Protection conducted an unannounced on-site investigation of one facility reported incident. The following regulatory deficiencies were identified during the investigation: R136 V. RESIDENT CARE AND HOME SERVICES R136 SS=E 5.7. Assessment 5.7.c Each resident shall also be reassessed annually and at any point in which there is a change in the resident's physical or mental condition. This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on staff interview and record review there was a failure to complete Resident Assessments in response to significant changes in behavior for 2 applicable residents (Resident #1 and Resident #2). Findings include: The home's Required Resident Records policy effective 2/1/24 is consistent with this regulatory requirement. 1. Per record review, the only Resident Assessment on file in Resident #1's record is an Admission Assessment signed as completed the day of his/ her admission to the home on 7/5/24. Resident #1's Admission Assessment indicates Resident #1 is never physically abusive to others and never resists care.

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regulations, it is important to note refusing

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engaging in verbally aggressive and abusive behaviors directed towards Resident #3 including yelling, cursing, and name calling. Resident #2 has also demonstrated socially inappropriate behavior described by Staff as "possessive" regarding the common area of the home adjacent to his/her room and Resident #1's room which s/he considers their own personal space. Per record review, Resident #2 has stated "This is our apartment area; you are not allowed to be here; you need to get out now" to Resident #3, and informed Staff "I will keep harassing [Resident #3]

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	1. Resident #1 was admitted to the home on 7/5/24 with multiple psychiatric diagnoses and a history of traumatic experiences. Per Staff interviews and record review Resident #1 has a repeatedly targeted another resident (Resident #3) due to a persistent belief Resident #3 stole his/her wallet. Per Staff Notes Resident #1 has a history of leaving items in the common areas of the home; and making accusations of theft when items are missing. Per interview on the afternoon of 11/12/24, an Administrative Staff stated when the wallet was initially discovered missing Resident #1 expressed s/he may have left the wallet behind during on an outing. Staff have conducted 2 searches of Resident #3's room and personal belongings with consent, during which				
	During Resident #1's episodes of targeting Resident #3 s/he has demonstrated aggressive and abusive behaviors including yelling, cursing, name calling, and threats of physical harm. Per Staff interviews and record review, an incident occurring on 10/28/24 that began with targeting Resident #3 quickly escalated to Resident #1 redirecting his/her aggression towards a Staff member s/he also frequently targets who attempted to diffuse the situation. As Resident #1 physically advanced towards the Staff another		W		

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	stated to Staff, "You	#1 threw 2 bowls at Staff and don't think I can put my calling/cursing] because I				
	multiple incidents in "potential to escalat c. 8/26/24: Resident and this time I'll hit v Program Director d. 9/2/24: Staff doct for over 3 weeks, w "Warning Sign" in R New Resident form	ified crisis services regarding volving Resident #1 with e to higher acuity" t #1 stated, "I've had enough with someone [sic]" to the umented medication refusals hich is identified as a esident #1's Introduction to provided to Staff on dent form also indicated				

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missing personal items, and subsequent aggressive and abusive behaviors directed towards Resident #3 are not identified and addressed in Resident #1's Behavioral Support Plan, Care Plan, and Treatment Plan provided for

2. Resident #2 was admitted to the home on 11/22/22 with a diagnosis of Schizophrenia. Per Resident #2's Behavioral Support Plan s/he has a history of engaging in interpersonal relationships that can cause harmful behaviors. During an interview commencing at 11:33 AM on 11/12/24, an Administrative Staff stated Resident #1 and

review on request on 11/12/24.

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perceives Resident #2 walking around the home

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	and "even on our side (of the home)" as taunting and "rubbing it in".			
	Per record review, the Behavior Plan, Care Plan, and Treatment Plan on file in Resident #2's record do not identify the persistent belief Resident #3 has stolen missing items, subsequent conflict with Resident #3; and potential for dangerous behaviors and harm to others as areas of focus. Specific goals and interventions to address actual behaviors demonstrated in response to conflict with Resident #3 are also not addressed in his/her plans of care. While Resident #2's Treatment Plan states, "[Resident #2] will maintain safe, non-violent or aggressive behavior /communication at all times", specific interventions are not identified in this plan to ensure a consistent staff response to aggressive behaviors and communications. The Treatment Plan on file was signed by Resident #2 and Staff on 10/7/24, however updates have not been made to this plan since 8/3/24. Per Staff Note dated 11/2/24, a protocol was "set in place" to initiate 1:1 support if Resident #2 "started to escalate again"; although a written protocol for staff response to escalation is not documented in Resident #2's plans of care provided by Administrative Staff for review on 11/12/24.			
,	At 4:07 PM on 11/12/24 the Director of Quality improvement and Compliance confirmed the			
F	Behavioral Support Plans, Care Plans, and Treatment Plans on file and available for review in Resident #1's and Resident #2's records do not address specific needs and safety concerns			
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Deficiency Statement Plan of Correction (POC)

Survey Date: November 12, 2024

Facility Name: Second Spring North

Deficiency Regulation	How the deficiency was corrected	Date corrected	System changes to ensure compliance of the regulation	Who will monitor to ensure compliance
R136	On 11/20/24 Resident #1 Resident Assessment was updated to reflect change in behavior and resistance to care. On 11/19/2024 Resident #2 successfully discharged from Second Spring North. R136 Plan of Correction accepted by Jo A Evans RN on 12/4/24	11/20/2024	Nursing audited and reviewed all other Resident Assessments for Second Spring North Residents and updated them as necessary. An audit was created for Nursing and Clinical documentation, including Resident Assessments, and will be reviewed weekly for 3 months, then once a month thereafter. Nursing rounds format has been changed as of 11/21/2024 with a standing agenda item: "Any changes to behavioral plans, care plans, or clinical plans."	Nursing and Director of QI and Compliance
R145	On 11/22/2024 Resident #1 Plan of Care was updated to reflect the care and services necessary to assist the Resident to maintain independence and well-being. On 11/19/2024 Resident #2 successfully discharged from Second Spring North. R145 Plan of Correction accepted by Jo A Evans RN on12/4/24	11/22/2024	Nursing audited and reviewed all other Plan of Care's for Second Spring North Residents and updated them as necessary. An audit was created for Nursing and Clinical documentation, including Resident Assessments, and will be reviewed weekly for 3 months, then once a month thereafter.	Nursing, Clinical, and Director of QI and Compliance

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