

## DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES, AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING

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December 9, 2022

Ms. Nicole Fortier, Manager The Village At White River Junction 101 Currier Street White River Junction, VT 05001

Dear Ms. Fortier:

Enclosed is a copy of your acceptable plans of correction for the survey conducted on **May 19, 2022.** 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.

Sincerely,

Pamela M. Cota, RN

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Licensing Chief

Division of Licensing and Protection (X3) DATE SURVEY (X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA (X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES COMPLETED IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: AND PLAN OF CORRECTION A\_BUILDING:\_ B. WING 05/19/2022 0660 STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER 101 CURRIER STREET THE VILLAGE AT WHITE RIVER JUNCTION WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VT 05001 PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION (X5) COMPLETE SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (X4) ID (EACH CORRECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL PREFIX PRFFIX DATE CROSS-REFERENCED TO THE APPROPRIATE REGULATORY OR LSC IDENTIFYING INFORMATION) TAG TAG DEFICIENCY) R100 R100 Initial Comments: An unannounced on-site complaint and facility self-report investigation was conducted on see attached 5/17/22 and completed on 5/19/2022 by the Division of Licensing and Protection, Findings identified are associated with the facility self-report. R208 R208 V. RESIDENT CARE AND HOME SERVICES SS=G 5.18 Reporting of Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation 5.18.c Incidents involving resident-to-resident abuse must be reported to the licensing agency if a resident alleges abuse, sexual abuse, or if an injury requiring physician intervention results, or if there is a pattern of abusive behavior. All resident-to-resident incidents, even minor ones, must be recorded in the resident's record. Families or legal representatives must be notified and a plan must be developed to deal with the behaviors This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced Based on staff interview and record review, the facility failed to report to the Licensing Agency when a pattern of abusive behavior involving 2 applicable residents had occurred over a period of 11 months, (Resident #1 & Resident #2) Findings include: Per record review Resident #1 was subjected to physical and verbal assaults from his/her spouse while a resident of the Assisted Living Residence (ALR). Over the course of 11 months, while experiencing a decline in health, Resident #1 became weaker and demonstrated a decreased ability in mobility, appetite, and personal

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

STATE FORM

**Executive Director** 

06/09/2022

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pattern of abuse, the policy and procedure is to

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	file a Facility Report with the licensing agency.					
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## Plan of Correction Outline

Preparation and execution of this plan of correction in no way constitutes an admission or argument by The Village at White River Junction of the truth of the facts alleged in this statement of deficiency and plan of correction. In fact, this plan of correction is submitted exclusively to comply with state and federal law. The Village at White River Junction reserves the right to challenge in legal proceedings, all deficiencies, statements, findings, facts, and conclusions that form the basis of the deficiency. This plan of correction serves as the allegation of compliance by 6/9/2022.

Response to Survey ending May 19, 2022

## Tag: R208 V. Resident Care and Home Services

1. The corrective actions to be accomplished to correct the deficient practice.

The facility will report to both APS and the Licensing Agency when a pattern of abusive behavior involving residents occurs.

2. The facility will put into place the following systematic changes to ensure that the deficient practice does not recur.

The facility will provide reporting instructions to all applicable staff, including DOHS, Business Manager, and nurses.

3. The facility will monitor the corrective action by implementing the following measures.

The Director of Health Services will alert the Executive Director of all APS reports. The Executive Director will confirm that those reports are also reported to the Licensing Agency.

4. Plan of Correction completion date: 06-03-2022