

Illinois Department of Public Health

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: IL6003511	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____ B. WING: _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 03/05/2025
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER APERION CARE NILES		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 6601 WEST TOUHY AVENUE NILES, IL 60714		
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S 000	Initial Comments Annual Licensure Survey	S 000		
S9999	Final Observations Statement of Licensure Violations: 300.610a) 300.661 Section 300.610 Resident Care Policies a) The facility shall have written policies and procedures governing all services provided by the facility. The written policies and procedures shall be formulated by a Resident Care Policy Committee consisting of at least the administrator, the advisory physician or the medical advisory committee, and representatives of nursing and other services in the facility. The policies shall comply with the Act and this Part. The written policies shall be followed in operating the facility and shall be reviewed at least annually by this committee, documented by written, signed and dated minutes of the meeting. Section 300.661 Health Care Worker Background Check A facility shall comply with the Health Care Worker Background Check Act and the Health Care Worker Background Check Code. This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by: Based on observations, interviews, and record reviews the facility failed to follow their policy and procedures for employee background checks by not ensuring fingerprint information was obtained for an employee prior to beginning work in the	S9999		

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

TITLE

(X6) DATE

Electronically Signed

03/19/25

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S9999	Continued From page 1 facility. This failure has the potential to affect all 94 residents currently in the facility. Findings include: From 03/03/2025 - 03/04/2025 between 9 AM - 4 PM observed V12 (Maintenance Director) performing maintenance duties within the facility. V12's (Maintenance Director) personnel folder reviewed onsite 03/04/2025 documents his date of hire as 02/01/2006. The facility's Maintenance Director Job Description requirements include resident interactions of being able to: relay information concerning a resident's condition; work effectively with residents; relate to and work with ill, disabled, elderly, emotionally upset, and at times, hostile people within the facility; and as necessary assist in the evacuation of residents during emergency situations. The Health Care Worker Registry report received from the facility 03/04/2025 and reviewed directly from the Health Care Worker Registry on 03/05/2025 documents V12's work eligibility as not yet determined and there is no background check on record. On 03/04/25 at 2:00 PM V16 (Regional Human Resources) stated when pulling healthcare background records for the employees the surveyor requested, she did notice that V12's health care worker registry record documented a result of not yet determined for work eligibility. V16 stated they attempted to have V12's fingerprints reran this morning however there was	S9999		

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S9999	Continued From page 2 an issue, and he will make another attempt this evening. On 03/05/25 at 1:50 PM V16 (Regional Human Resources) stated fingerprint appointments for new hires are scheduled as soon as the employment offer is made, and the results are typically received prior to them beginning work on the floor. V16 stated if the fingerprint results are not received within 10 days we shouldn't let them on the floor. V16 stated typically hired employees are already on the healthcare worker registry and if not, we have them sent for fingerprinting after the interview. On 03/05/25 at 02:17 PM V1 (Administrator) reported V12's (Maintenance Director) original hire date was 02/01/2006. The facility's Abuse Prevention and Reporting Policy received 03/05/2025 states: "This facility affirms the right of our residents to be free from abuse, neglect, exploitation, misappropriation of property, deprivation of goods and services by staff or mistreatment. This facility therefore prohibits abuse, neglect, exploitation, misappropriation of property, and mistreatment of residents. In order to do so, the facility has attempted to establish a resident sensitive and resident secure environment. The purpose of this policy is to assure that the facility is doing all that is within its control to prevent occurrences of abuse, neglect, exploitation, misappropriation of property, deprivation of goods and services by staff and mistreatment of residents. This will be done by: Conducting pre-employment screening of employees." "This facility will not knowingly employ any individual convicted of resident abuse, neglect,	S9999			

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