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S0000	Initial Comments	S0000		
	Investigation of Facility Reported Incident of 6/28/25/IL195643			
S9999	Final Observations	S9999		
	Statement of Licensure Violations:			
	300.610a)			
	300.1210b)			
	300.1210d)6)			
	§ 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.			
	§ 300.1210. General Requirements for Nursing and Personal Care			
	b) The facility shall provide the necessary care and services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychological well-being of the resident, in accordance with each resident's comprehensive resident care plan. Adequate and properly supervised nursing care and personal care shall be provided to each resident to meet the total nursing and			

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S9999	<p>Continued from page 1 personal care needs of the resident.</p> <p>d) Pursuant to subsection (a), general nursing care shall include, at a minimum, the following and shall be practiced on a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week basis:</p> <p>6) All necessary precautions shall be taken to assure that the residents' environment remains as free of accident hazards as possible. All nursing personnel shall evaluate residents to see that each resident receives adequate supervision and assistance to prevent accidents.</p> <p>These Requirements were not met as evidenced by:</p> <p>Based on interview and record review the facility failed to ensure a resident was safely transferred using a mechanical sit to stand lift for 1 of 3 residents (R1) reviewed for safety in the sample of 3. This failure resulted in R1 being assisted to the ground and sustaining a proximal tibia and fibula fracture of her right leg.</p> <p>The findings include:</p> <p>R1's Nursing Notes dated 6/28/25 shows that at 1:00 PM, the Certified Nursing Assistant said that R1 passed out while providing care to R1 after having an extra large bowel movement while using a sit to stand lift and R1 was assisted to the floor with two person assist.</p> <p>R1's Right Tibia/Fibula X-ray dated 6/28/25 shows, "There is a fracture involving proximal tibia and fibula (bones of the upper shin) with minimal displacement."</p> <p>On 7/2/25 at 10:12 AM, V3, Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) said that on 6/28/25 after lunch, she was assisting R1 to use the toilet. V3 said that she placed R1 on the toilet from her wheelchair using the mechanical sit to stand lift. V3 said that once R1 was done using the bathroom, she lifted her up from the toilet with the lift and moved her to the side so she could clean her up. V3 said R1 then had another bowel movement all over herself and the floor. V3 said that as she was cleaning her up, R1 slumped over and her</p>	S9999		

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S9999	<p>Continued from page 2</p> <p>hands went down from holding onto the lift and would not respond to her. V3 said that she immediately started calling for V4 (CNA) and the nurse. V3 said that R1 was brought out of the bathroom and into her room area. V3 said that she tried to lower her to her wheelchair but the lift was not lowering and the emergency release button was not working as well. V3 said that V5, Registered Nurse (RN) and V6 Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Supervisor showed up and said to put her on the ground. V3 said that her and V4 both grabbed under R1's arms and lowered her to the ground while the nurse used the control to lower the machine. V3 stated, "I guess the nurse was able to get the machine to work to be able to lower her as we were lowering her."</p> <p>On 7/2/25 at 10:34 AM, V4 (CNA) said that she was by the shower room waiting for her resident to get done going to the bathroom when V3 came to the door of R1's room and said to call the nurse. V4 said that she immediately went into R1's room and R1 was hooked up to the sit to stand lift and was located outside of the bathroom door. V4 said that R1 was unresponsive and her right leg was off of the platform of the lift and her foot was turned inward. V4 said that the leg strap was not around R1's legs. V4 said that they were not able to sit her into her wheelchair because her leg was in the way and they did not want to twist it anymore. V4 said that V3 told her that they were going to have to put her onto the floor. V4 said that she was worried about putting her onto the floor because of the way her leg was positioned. V4 stated, "I was worried that putting her on the floor would break her leg based on how it was already positioned." V4 said that they proceed to slowly lower her to the floor by holding under her arms.</p> <p>On 7/2/25 at 10:51 AM, V5 (RN) said that she heard V4 yelling for help. V5 said that she went into R1's room and saw R1 hanging from the sit to stand lift and unresponsive. V5 said that she did not pay attention to the positioning of R1, she was more worried about her being unresponsive. V5 said that she immediately called V6 (LPN Supervisor) to help. V5 said that she then exited the room and went and got R1's code status and oxygen. V5 said that when she returned, R1 was on the floor. V5 said that she did an assessment and found R1 to have a bruise with an abrasion on her right shin area.</p> <p>On 7/2/25 at 11:08 AM, V6 said that V5 called her while</p>	S9999		

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