



Division of Health Service Regulation

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  <b>HAL059017</b>	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____  B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  <b>11/20/2014</b>
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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  <b>MCDOWELL ASSISTED LIVING</b>	STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE <b>5235 NC 226 SOUTH MARION, NC 28752</b>
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D 113	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>common bath beside room 6 was 86 degrees F. - The hot water temperature of the sink in the half-bath shared between rooms #2 and #4 was 86 degrees F.</p> <p>Per observation on 11/19/14 at 9:15am and 10:48am of the common shower rooms toward the end of the men's hall revealed hot water temperatures between 102 and 106 degrees F.</p> <p>Interview with housekeeping staff on 11/19/14 at 10:58am revealed he was unaware of the low hot water temperatures in the common and shared bathrooms above.</p> <p>Interview with the Resident Care Coordinator (RCC) on 11/19/14 at 10:59am revealed: - She was unaware of the low hot water temperatures in the shared and common bathrooms with tubs listed above. - The "maintenance man was on his way." - The facility had separate water heaters for different areas of the building, and the common shower bathrooms were on a different heater than the common tub bathrooms and shared resident half-baths. - "No one uses the tubs in the common bathrooms, they (the residents) all take showers."</p> <p>Interview with the RCC and facility owner at 12:50pm on 11/19/14 revealed: - The owner did not know about the problems with the hot water temperatures in the shared and common tub bathrooms. - No residents had complained about the water temperature in any of the bathrooms. - A local plumbing and heating contractor was called, the hot water heater was supposed to be fixed today, (11/19/14.) - The water heater that supplies the hot water to</p>	D 113	<p><i>New circulating pump installed - see invoice</i></p> <p><i>New water heater installed - see invoice</i></p>	<p><i>11/20/14</i></p> <p><i>11/21/14</i></p>

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D 113	Continued From page 2  the shared and common tub bathrooms was gas.  Interview with the Administrator on 11/19/14 at 3:45pm revealed the plumbing contractor had to order a part for the hot water heater, but it would be fixed tomorrow. (11/20/14.)  Interview with the Administrator on 11/20/14 at 9:50am revealed: - The gas hot water heater was repaired this morning by (named plumbing contractor.) - The recirculating pump had to be replaced. - The residents do not use the common baths with tubs. - The residents used the showers at the end of the men's hall. - The facility has 3 hot water heaters, 2 electric and 1 gas. - "We (unspecified staff) checked the water temperatures, and they are running between 106 and 110 degrees F."  Observation of the facility on 11/20/14 between 11:32am and 11:54am revealed: - The hot water temperature in the sink in the half-bath shared between resident rooms #7 and #9 was 102 degrees F. - The hot water temperature of the sink in the common bath beside room 7 was 108 degrees F. - The hot water temperature of the tub in the common bath beside room 7 was 82 degrees F. - The hot water temperature of the sink in the common bath beside room 6 was 112 degrees F. - The hot water temperature of the tub in the common bath beside room 6 was 68 degrees F. - The hot water temperature of the sink in the half-bath shared between rooms #2 and #4 was 110 degrees F.  Random interviews with 6 different residents on	D 113	<i>Circulating Pump Replaced - see copy of Invoice from [redacted] Plumbing</i>  <i>New Water Heater Installed - see Invoice</i>	<i>11/20/14</i>  <i>11/21/14</i>

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D 113	Continued From page 3  11/20/14 between 11:55am and 12:03am revealed: - None of the residents bathed in the tubs, all used the showers at the end of the men's hall. - Five of the six residents stated they had never experienced water temperatures either too hot or too cold in the facility bathrooms. - One of the six residents stated the showers were sometimes "a little cool."  Interview with the Administrator on 11/20/14 at 12:15pm revealed: - She was not sure why the hot water temperatures in the tubs were still to cool. - The tubs and sinks in the common tub bathrooms used the same hot water heater. - "We'll have to call the (named plumbing contractor) back."  Review of the water temperature logs for the facility revealed: - Water temperature checks were performed monthly on six faucets including the common baths with showers and tubs, and 2 resident rooms. - The water temperatures on 11/5/14 ranged from 102.4 to 106.9 degrees F. - The water temperatures on 10/9/14 ranged from 101 to 106.4 degrees F. - The water temperatures on 9/22/14 ranged from 103.7 to 107.4 degrees F.	D 113	<i>New circulating pump installed</i>  <i>New water heater installed - see copy of invoice from [redacted] plumbing</i>  <i>Water temps will continue to be monitored on a regular basis by [redacted] - housekeeper. All water temps appear to be within range at this time - see copy of log checks by [redacted] - housekeeper or Doris Wellman - Adm.</i>	<i>11/20/14</i>  <i>11/21/14</i>  <i>11/23/14</i>  <i>12/11/14</i>

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**Attachments:** McDowell Assisted Living 2014-12-18 POC-FUP711.pdf

Please find attached copy of the approved Plan of Correction (POC) for the above referenced facility.

Thank you.

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