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State Licensing Infection Control Section Survey Report

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Date of Survey

10/16/2020

General Information

An infection control focused state licensure survey was conducted under the authority afforded by Parts 201 and 217 of the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978, and Licensing Health Facilities and Agencies Administrative Rules, R 325.45101 through 325.45385, with focus on Part 3, Subpart C – Infection Prevention and Control at Medilodge of Gaylord.

Survey Findings

During the survey, the following discoveries were found through observations, interviews, and record reviews:

R 325.45135; Rule 135; Infection prevention and control policies and procedures

Interview with the Infection Control Nurse and Director of Nursing confirmed the facility has adopted CDC guidance.

The facility's policy titled 'Isolation-Categories for Transmission-Based Precautions' does not include multi-route transmission-based precautions. Interview with the ICN and DON confirmed the category of multi-route precautions has been omitted. The facility policies for sanitary and functional environment titled "Scabies" did not include the screening of residents for ectoparasites.

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During the survey, the facility revised their policy titled 'Isolation-Categories of Transmission-Based Precautions'. It now reflects multi-route transmission-based precautions and the facility has provided a policy titled "Admissions – Communicable Disease/Infection" which includes assessing the resident for cutaneous infections and pediculosis/scabies.

To ensure appropriate cleaning and disinfection of facility equipment, the facility has changed their procedure which now reflects the storing of cleaning supplies will be in a locked clean utility closet. All staff will receive education regarding this practice to assure compliance.

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R 325.45137; Rule 137; Ongoing surveillance and prevention program

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In summary, Medilodge of Gaylord complies with the applicable infection control focused portions of Parts 201 and 217 of the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978, and Licensing Health Facilities and Agencies Administrative Rules, R 325.45101 through 325.45385.

Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns.

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