



December 23, 2019

Mr. Michael A. Barton  
Executive Vice President  
Merakey Pennsylvania  
4251 Crums Mill Rd  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112

RE: Merakey Pennsylvania  
1460 Peiffers Lane  
Steelton, Pennsylvania 17113  
Certificate #: 310360

Dear Mr. Barton:

As a result of the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Bureau of Human Services Licensing, (Department) review on November 26, 2019 of the above facility, we have determined that your submitted plan of correction is fully implemented. Continued compliance must be maintained.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brett Swanger". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Brett Swanger  
Human Services Licensing Supervisor

Enclosure  
Licensing Inspection Summary

## Violation Report

### Facility Information

**Name:** MERAKEY PENNSYLVANIA

**License Number:** 31036

**Address:** 1460 PEIFFERS LANE,, STEELTON, PA 17113

**County:** DAUPHIN

**Region:** CENTRAL

### Administrator

**Name:** Heather Dickison

**Phone:** 7174413700

**Email:**

### Legal Entity

**Name:** MERAKEY PENNSYLVANIA

**Address:** 4251 CRUMS MILL ROAD, HARRISBURG, PA, 17112

### Certificate(s) of Occupancy

**Type:** Other

**Date:** 03/24/2006

**Issued By:** Swatara Township

### Staffing Hours

**Resident Support Staff:** 6

**Total Daily Staff:** 12

**Waking Staff:** 9

### Inspection

**Type:** Full

**BHA Docket #:**

**Notice:** Unannounced

**Reason:** Renewal

### Inspection Dates and Department Representative

11/26/2019 - On-Site: Michael Showers

### Resident Demographic Data as of Inspection Dates

#### General Information

**License Capacity:** 6

**Residents Served:** 6

#### Secured Dementia Care Unit

**In Home:** No

**Area:**

**Capacity:**

**Residents Served:**

#### Hospice

**Current Residents:** 0

#### Number of Residents Who:

**Receive Supplemental Security Income:** 6

**Are 60 Years of Age or Older:** 3

**Diagnosed with Mental Illness:** 0

**Diagnosed with Intellectual Disability:** 0

**Have Mobility Need:** 0

**Have Physical Disability:** 0

141a-1-10 Medical Evaluation Information

Regulations

2600.

- 141.a. A resident shall have a medical evaluation by a physician, physician's assistant or certified registered nurse practitioner documented on a form specified by the Department, within 60 days prior to admission or within 30 days after admission. The evaluation must include the following:
1. A general physical examination by a physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner.
  2. Medical diagnosis including physical or mental disabilities of the resident, if any.
  3. Medical information pertinent to diagnosis and treatment in case of an emergency.
  4. Special health or dietary needs of the resident.
  5. Allergies.
  6. Immunization history.
  7. Medication regimen, contraindicated medications, medication side effects and the ability to self-administer medications.
  8. Body positioning and movement stimulation for residents, if appropriate.
  9. Health status.
  10. Mobility assessment, updated annually or at the Department's request.

Description of Violation

The Documentation of Medical Evaluation for Resident 1, dated 7/29/2019, does not document any assessed level for the resident's "Health Status".

Plan of Correction (POC)

(Attach pages as necessary. Remember that you must sign and date any attached pages. Include steps to correct the violation described above and steps to prevent a similar violation from occurring again. If steps cannot be completed immediately, include dates by which the steps will be completed.)

See Attached Page 2A

Legal Entity Representative



Michael A. Barton  
Executive Vice President

12-09-2019

Signature

Printed Name and Title

Date

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The above plan of correction is approved as of 12/10/2019 Plan of correction implementation status as of 12/23/2019  
(Date) (Date)

Implemented

The above plan of correction was approved by BAS  
(Initials)

Not Implemented

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**Regulation § 2600.141. a. Resident medical evaluation and health care.**

Continuing: as is current practice, all clinical paperwork is being reviewed by Assistant Director as well as the Nursing Supervisor and Staff Supervisor to ensure no errors or missed information

Ongoing: Starting December 3, 2019, all incomplete resident medical paperwork will be returned to the residents' respective PCP for completion by the Assistant Director and/or Nursing Supervisor. If the PCP does not respond to the request to redo paperwork, all attempts for correction will be documented and filed in the chart by the Assistant Director and/or Nursing Supervisor.

An initial audit of the most recent DMEs for all current residents will be completed by the administrator to ensure they are completed in full. This audit will be completed by 12/31/19 with documentation sent to the Department upon completion.

Legal Entity Representative

  
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Signature

**Michael A. Barton**  
Executive Vice President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Title

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

144c1 - Smoking Area Guidelines

Regulations

2600.

144.c. A home that permits smoking inside or outside of the home shall develop and implement written fire safety policy and procedures that include the following:

- 1. Proper safeguards inside and outside of the home to prevent fire hazards involved in smoking, including providing fireproof receptacles and ashtrays, direct outside ventilation, no interior ventilation from the smoking room through other parts of the home, extinguishing procedures, fire resistant furniture both inside and outside the home and fire extinguishers in the smoking rooms.

Description of Violation

A can containing cigarette butts and evidence of smoking was observed under a tree in the front lawn of the home. This is not one of the designated smoking areas for the home.

A representative of the Department observed cigarette ashes laying directly on top of dried leaves on the side porch of the home's designated smoking area,

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**Regulation § 2600.144. c. Use of tobacco.**

November 26, 2019, Program Director submitted a Work Order to Merakey Facilities to have leaves removed.

November 29, 2019. Merakey Facilities is removing all leaves from the Pieffers Lane Property.

November 29, 2019 The program director submitted a maintenance work order to get quotes for adding a smoking area to the front lawn area of the Pieffers Lane facility. If the facility is going to add this area as a new designated smoking area, the home will provide documentation for this to the Department upon completion.

Starting December 13, 2019, the assistant program director and/or Staff Supervisor will be speaking with each resident regarding only smoking in the designated smoking areas as well as keeping their ashes and burnt out cigarettes in an appropriate container (Containers are provided in the smoking areas). Assistant director will document each conversation in the resident's chart. The meetings will be completed by 12/31/19 and documentation for the completion of these meetings will be provided to the Department.

Ongoing: The program director and/or the assistant program director and/or designee will monitor the designated smoking area(s) on a weekly basis for 4 weeks and then ongoing during walks of the grounds monthly. Any issues regarding safety, including fire safety will be reported directly to the Merakey Facilities Manager. The results of all safety walks will be reported to the quarterly Merakey Capital/Stevens Safety Committee Meeting. Completion of the first four weeks of monitoring will be by 1/17/19 with documentation sent to the Department upon completion.

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