

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA
BOARD OF EXECUTIVES FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS
STANDARDS OF PRACTICE COMMITTEE

In the Matter of
Luke Knauf, LALD
License No. 3649

**AGREEMENT FOR
CORRECTIVE ACTION**

This Agreement is entered into by and between Luke Knauf, LALD ("Licensee"), and the Standards of Practice Committee ("Committee") for the Minnesota Board of Executives for Long-Term Services and Supports ("Board") based on Minnesota Statutes section 214.103, subdivision 6(a)(2). Licensee and the Committee agree to the following:

FACTS

1. On July 28, 2023, the Board granted Licensee an Assisted Living Director ("ALD") license.
2. Since August 21, 2023, Licensee has been the Director of Record ("DOR") for Edgewood East Grand Forks Senior Living (HFID #:30631) ("Facility") in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. The following incidents occurred while Licensee was the DOR:
 - a. On September 11, 2024, the Minnesota Department of Health ("MDH") substantiated that Facility perpetuated maltreatment by neglecting a resident when it failed to properly assess and document the resident's worsening rash. The Facility did not have an adequate system in place to monitor skin concerns. When the resident was finally transported to the hospital, she was diagnosed with cellulitis, an MRSA infection, a UTI, and sepsis.
 - b. On February 3, 2025, the MDH substantiated that Facility perpetuated maltreatment by neglecting a resident when Facility failed to have a system in place to ensure

availability of medication refills. As a result, the resident missed ten days of prescribed medication.

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3. The Committee determined that the conduct described in paragraph 2, above, does not comply with Minnesota Rules 6400.7095, subpart 1.I. (unprofessional conduct) and 1.J. (failed to exercise true regard for safety, health, or life of a resident) and necessitates the following corrective action as described below.

a. ***Consultation.*** Licensee shall obtain at least six (6) hours of one-on-one professional consultation from a licensed assisted living director outside of Licensee's employer's organization. The consultation shall be completed within six months of the date this Agreement becomes effective. Licensee and the consultant shall discuss the topics of the role and responsibilities of the assisted living director and how to apply his knowledge of these issues, and any other issues covered during consultation, to his practice. Licensee must follow any and all recommendations of the consultant concerning how to gain additional knowledge regarding the above issues and how to apply such principles to his practice.

Licensee shall submit the *curriculum vitae* of his proposed professional consultant for preapproval by the Committee within 30 days of the date this Agreement becomes effective. The Committee reserves the right to reject the consultant proposed by Licensee. If the Committee rejects the consultant proposed by Licensee, the Committee may require that Licensee submit additional names.

b. ***Consultant's Report.*** Within 30 days of completing the consultation described above, Licensee shall cause to be submitted a report from the consultant stating the topics covered during consultation, Licensee's understanding of the role and responsibility of an

assisted living director before and after consultation, and whether Licensee successfully completed consultation to the satisfaction of the consultant.

c. ***Self-Report.*** Within 30 days of completing the consultation described above, Licensee shall submit a report not to exceed five pages stating Licensee's understanding of the role and responsibility of an assisted living director before and after the consultation and how Licensee plans to apply the concepts learned to Licensee's practice. Final determination regarding successful completion of the consultation shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

OTHER INFORMATION

4. Upon Licensee's satisfactory completion of the corrective action referenced in paragraph 3 above, the Committee agrees to dismiss the complaint(s) concerning the matters referenced in paragraph 2. The Committee shall be the sole judge of satisfactory completion. The Committee may reopen this complaint if it receives newly discovered information that was not available to the Committee during the initial investigation or if the Committee receives a new complaint that indicates a pattern of behavior or conduct.

5. If Licensee fails to complete the corrective action satisfactorily, the Committee may, at its discretion, reopen the investigation and proceed according to Minnesota Statutes sections 144A.19 to 144A.37 (the Board's Practice Act) and chapters 214 and 14. Licensee agrees that failure to complete the corrective action satisfactorily is failure to cooperate under Minnesota Rules 6400.7905, subpart 1.U. and may subject Licensee to disciplinary action by the Board.

6. Licensee is represented by Kirsten J. Hansen, Esq., Stich Angell, P.A., in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Committee was represented by Alex Mountain, Assistant Attorney General.

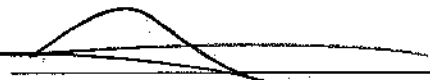
7. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Board's Executive Director and shall remain in effect until the Committee dismisses the complaint, unless the Committee receives additional information that renders corrective action inappropriate. Upon receiving such information, the Committee may, at its discretion, proceed according to Minnesota Statutes sections 144A.19 to 144A.37 (the Board's Practice Act) and chapters 214 and 14.

8. Licensee understands this Agreement does not constitute disciplinary action. Licensee further understands and acknowledges this Agreement and the dismissal letter issued upon successful completion of the corrective action are classified as public data pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 13.41, subdivision 5. Data regarding this action will be provided to national data banks as required by Federal law.

9. Licensee hereby acknowledges having read and understood this Agreement and having voluntarily entered into it. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Committee and Licensee, there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies the terms of this Agreement.

LICENSEE

STANDARDS OF PRACTICE COMMITTEE



LUKE KNAUF, LALD

STEPHEN JOBE
Executive Director

Dated: 4/21/25

Dated: 4/22/2025

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