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November 29, 2010

Don Potter, Administrator Lincoln Court Retirement Community 850 Lincoln Drive Idaho Falls, ID 83401

Dear Mr. Potter:

An unannounced, on-site complaint investigation survey was conducted at Lincoln Court Retirement Community from November 4, 2010, to November 4, 2010. During that time, observations, interviews, and record reviews were conducted with the following results:

## **Complaint # ID00004723**

Allegation #1: The facility retained a resident who had active methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus

(MRSA).

Findings #1: On 11/4/10, the identified resident's record was reveiwed. There was no documentation the

resident had active MRSA when readmitted to the facility following a hospital stay.

A hospital "History and Physical Examination" form, dated 8/1/10, documented the resident had colonized (non-infectious) MRSA and was being sent back to the assisted living facility with an

antibiotic to eradicate the MRSA colonization.

On 11/4/10, the facility nurse stated the hospital discharge nurse told him the resident was not

infectious but was being treated only for the colonization.

Unsubstantiated. This does not mean the incident did not take place; it only means that the

allegation could not be proven.

As no deficiencies were cited as a result of our investigation, no response is necessary to this report. Thank you to you and your staff for the courtesies extended to us on our visit.

Sincerely,

Donna Henscheid, LSW

Health Facility Surveyor

Residential Assisted Living Facility Progrom