

Life Care Center Of Merrimack Valley

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§ 1 Facility Identity

Facility	Life Care Center Of Merrimack Valley
CCN	225546
Location	80 BOSTON ROAD, BILLERICA, MA, 01862
Ownership type	For profit - Limited Liability company
Certified beds	124

§ 2 CMS Federal Record

Civil money penalties on file	\$161,920
Deficiency citations — current cycle	6 (65% vs prior 24 months (17))
Deficiency citations — prior 24 months	17
Immediate Jeopardy — current cycle	0
Actual-harm (G+) citations — current cycle	0
Special Focus Facility status	Not listed
Abuse icon	No

§ 3 Federal Penalties in Context

This facility — penalties on file	\$161,920
MA state average	\$36,630 (this facility is 4.4× the MA average)
National average	\$31,239 (this facility is 5.2× the national average)

Averages are CMS-published per-facility fine amounts for the same snapshot. Figures and multiples are stated as published; no inference is drawn here.

§ 4 Current-Cycle Deficiencies

The current survey cycle records the following 6 federal deficiency citations (CMS F-tags). Scope/severity is CMS's own A–L grade; "Immediate Jeopardy" is CMS's most serious classification.

F-TAG	FINDING (CMS)	SCOPE/SEV.	SOURCE
F552	Ensure that residents are fully informed and understand their health status, care and treatments.	E	Complaint
F698	Provide safe, appropriate dialysis care/services for a resident who requires such services.	E	Standard survey
F760	Ensure that residents are free from significant medication errors.	E	Standard survey
F580	Immediately tell the resident, the resident's doctor, and a family member of situations (injury/decline/room, etc.) that affect the resident.	D	Complaint
F761	Ensure drugs and biologicals used in the facility are labeled in accordance with currently accepted professional principles; and all drugs and biologicals must be stored in locked compartments, separately locked, compartments for controlled drugs.	D	Standard survey
F808	Ensure therapeutic diets are prescribed by the attending physician and may be delegated to a registered or licensed dietitian, to the extent allowed by State law.	D	Standard survey

§ 5 Ownership & Chain Context

Ownership record	Chain: LIFE CARE CENTERS OF AMERICA (194 facilities); Owner on file: PRESTON, FORREST (individual)
Ownership chain	LIFE CARE CENTERS OF AMERICA (194 facilities)
Penalties vs chain average	\$161,920 vs \$18,667 (8.7× the chain average)
Current deficiencies vs chain average	6 vs 8.6 (0.7× the chain average)

§ 6 CMS Care Compare Star Ratings

Overall	2 / 5 (state avg 3 · US avg 3)
Health inspection	2 / 5 (state avg 2.9 · US avg 2.8)
Staffing	4 / 5 (state avg 3 · US avg 2.9)
Quality measures (QM)	4 / 5 (state avg 3.3 · US avg 3.7)

§ 7 Record Provenance

CMS data as of	Jun 2026
Independent verification	https://www.medicare.gov/care-compare/details/nursing-home/225546
Snapshot SHA-256	e9819ee6bbf171ae94cd99b644ace33be27d36fcc1c3855066602a6382a17c4f
Methodology & version	v1.0 — https://www.caregiverhelpnow.com/methodology

§ 8 For Your Attorney

1. The full survey file (Form 2567) for each inspection cited above is available from the state survey agency or by FOIA request.
 2. Quarterly staffing data: CMS Payroll-Based Journal (PBJ) public use files, CCN 225546.
 3. Cite this snapshot as “CMS Care Compare, as of Jun 2026” — integrity hash e9819ee6bbf1.
 4. Deficiency F-tags cited above are searchable in CMS QCOR (qcor.cms.gov).
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