N 836 1200-8-6-.08 (5) Building Standards

(5) No new nursing home shall be constructed, nor shall major alterations be made to an existing nursing home without prior written approval of the department, and unless in accordance with plans and specifications approved in advance by the department. Before any new nursing home is licensed or before any alteration or expansion of a licensed nursing home can be approved, the applicant must furnish two (2) complete sets of plans and specifications to the department, together with fees and other information as required. Plans and specifications for new construction and major renovations, other than minor alterations not affecting fire and life safety or functional issues, shall be prepared by or under the direction of a licensed architect and/or a licensed engineer and in accordance with the rules of the Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners.

This Rule is not met as evidenced by:
Based on observation and record review, it was determined the facility failed to submit drawings to the engineering department for the approval of the UL 300 system.

The findings included:

Observations in the kitchen on 5/28/13 at 8:50 AM, revealed a UL 300 suppression system had been installed to the vent hood.

During record review the facility was unable to provide documentation of written approval from the state engineering department of health.

Building Standards
1. The drawing of the UL 300 suppression system from B&B Fire Protection Company on 6/3/13 and has been sent to the State Engineering Department of Health for approval on 6/5/13.
2. No residents were affected by this citation.
No other facility improvement or renovating have been identified where we failed to obtain approval.
3. The facility will not utilize the vent hood until the facility receives the notice of approval from the State Engineering Department of Health.
4. Once the approval has been received this will be brought before the Quality Assurance Performance Improvement committee with actions taken regarding recommendations. The committee includes the Administrator, Medical Director, Director of Nursing, the Assistant Director of Nursing, Social Service Director, Activity Director, Dietary Manager, Staff Development Coordinator, Minimum Data Set Nurse, Housekeeping Supervisor, and the Maintenance Supervisor.