

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL		INVESTIGATIVE REPORT
Case No.	Report Date	Investigator Name
1218-0301	June 1, 2018	XXXXX
Agency Name		
SPARC		
Agency Address		Location
232 North Bruns Lane Springfield, Illinois 62702		XX XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Allegation

On December 6, 2017, the Office of the Inspector General received a reported allegation of neglect from SPARC. It is alleged that on December 3, 2017, XX XXXX XXXXXXXX was admitted to Memorial Medical Center due to a bowel obstruction. On December 5, 2017, XX XXXXXXXX passed a large intact 2-21//2” in diameter grape in his bowels. XX XXXXXXXX is on a mechanical soft diet.

Synopsis

XX XXXXXXXX has a physician order for a mechanical soft diet. XX XXXXXXXX started having episodes vomiting on December 1, 2017, and nursing was notified and staff were instructed to monitor him and take his vitals every four hours and contact nursing if any changes. When XX XXXXXXXX first started vomiting, XXXXX observed what appeared to be a whole grape and a piece of carrot. XX XXXXXXXX was monitored until on December 3, 2017, staff was instructed to take him to the Express Care to be examined. He was then taken to Memorial Medical Center where he was admitted and diagnosed with a small bowel obstruction. On December 5, 2017, XX XXXXXXXX had a bowel movement and passed a large intact two to two half inches in diameter grape in his bowels. He was discharged from the hospital the following day. All the staff that had been working with XX XXXXXXXX stated they were aware of his mechanical soft diet and denied giving him grapes to eat.

Findings

Based on the facts in this case the following was concluded: The allegation of neglect is substantiated against SPARC.

Recommendations

It is the recommendation of the Office of the Inspector General that SPARC retrain staff on mechanical soft diet and ensure that all staff are knowledgeable about the risks of XX XXXXXXXX eating foods not allowed on his prescribed diet.