

Date: June 18, 2013

To: Denise Anderson, Senior Service Coordinator  
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Region: Southwest  
 Survey Date: April 1 - 4, 2013  
 Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver  
 Service Surveyed: Community Living Supports (Family Living, Independent Living) and Community Inclusion Supports (Adult Habilitation, Community Access)

Survey Type: Routine  
 Team Leader: Mari Chavez, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Team Members: Amanda Castaneda, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau, Deb Russell, BA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau and Nadine Romero, LBSW, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Ms. Anderson;

The Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau has completed a compliance survey of the services identified above. The purpose of the survey was to determine compliance with federal and state standards; to assure the health, safety, and welfare of individuals receiving services through the Developmental Disabilities Waiver; and to identify opportunities for improvement. This Report of Findings will be shared with the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division for their use in determining your current and future provider agreements. Upon receipt of this letter and Report of Findings your agency must immediately correct all deficiencies which place Individuals served at risk of harm.

**Determination of Compliance:**

The Division of Health Improvement, Quality Management Bureau has determined your agency is in:

***Compliance with all Conditions of Participation.***

This determination is based on your agency's compliance with CMS waiver assurances at the Condition of Participation level. The attached QMB Report of Findings indicates Standard Level deficiencies identified and requires implementation of a Plan of Correction.



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**Plan of Correction:**

The attached Report of Findings identifies the Standard Level and/or Condition of Participation deficiencies found during your agency's compliance review. You are required to complete and implement a Plan of Correction. Your agency has a total of 45 business days (10 business days to submit your POC for approval and 35 days to implement your *approved* Plan of Correction) from the receipt of this letter.

**Submission of your Plan of Correction:**

Please submit your agency's Plan of Correction in the space on the two right columns of the Report of Findings. (See attachment "A" for additional guidance in completing the Plan of Correction).

Within 10 business days of receipt of this letter your agency Plan of Correction must be submitted to the parties below:

- 1. Quality Management Bureau, Attention: Plan of Correction Coordinator  
5301 Central Ave. NE Suite 400 Albuquerque, NM 87108**
- 2. Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Regional Office for region of service surveyed**

Upon notification from QMB that your *Plan of Correction has been approved*, you must implement all remedies and corrective actions to come into compliance. If your Plan of Correction is denied, you must resubmit a revised plan as soon as possible for approval, as your POC approval and all remedies must be completed within 45 business days of the receipt of this letter.

Failure to submit your POC within the allotted 10 business days or complete and implement your Plan of Correction within the total 45 business days allowed may result in the imposition of a \$200 per day Civil Monetary Penalty until it is received, completed and/or implemented.

**Request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings (IRF):**

If you disagree with a finding of deficient practice, you have 10 business days upon receipt of this notice to request an IRF. Submit your request for an IRF in writing to:

QMB Deputy Bureau Chief  
5301 Central Ave NE Suite #400  
Albuquerque, NM 87108  
Attention: IRF request

See Attachment "C" for additional guidance in completing the request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings. The request for an IRF will not delay the implementation of your Plan of Correction which must be completed within 45 total business days (10 business days to submit your POC for approval and 35 days to implement your *approved* Plan of Correction). Providers may not appeal the nature or interpretation of the standard or regulation, the team composition or sampling methodology. If the IRF approves the modification or removal of a finding, you will be advised of any changes.

Please call the Plan of Correction Coordinator at 505-699-9356 if you have questions about the Report of Findings or Plan of Correction. Thank you for your cooperation and for the work you perform.

Sincerely,

*Mari Chavez, BSW*

Mari Chavez, BSW  
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor  
Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

## Survey Process Employed:

Entrance Conference Date:	April 1, 2013
Present:	<b><u>Active Solutions Incorporated</u></b> Denise Anderson, Senior Service Coordinator  <b><u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u></b> Mari Chavez, BSW, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Amanda Castaneda, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor Deb Russell, BA, Healthcare Surveyor
Exit Conference Date:	April 4, 2013
Present:	<b><u>Active Solutions, Incorporated</u></b> Denise Anderson, Senior Service Coordinator  <b><u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u></b> Mari Chavez, BSW, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Amanda Castaneda, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor Deb Russell, BA, Healthcare Surveyor  <b><u>DDSD - Southwest Regional Office</u></b> Dave Brunson, Community Inclusion Coordinator
Administrative Locations Visited	Number: 1
Total Sample Size	Number: 12 0 - <i>Jackson</i> Class Members 12 - <i>Non-Jackson</i> Class Members 9 - Family Living 2 - Independent Living 5 - Adult Habilitation 3 - Community Access
Total Homes Visited	Number: 8
❖ Family Living Homes Visited	Number: 8
Persons Served Records Reviewed	Number: 12
Persons Served Interviewed	Number: 7
Persons Served Observed	Number: 5 (4 Individuals chose not to participate in interviews and one Individual was unavailable during the on-site survey).
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed	Number: 14
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	Number: 42
Substitute Care/Respite Personnel Records Reviewed	Number: 18
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	Number: 2

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Administrative Processes and Records Reviewed:

- Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement Records for all Services Provided
- Accreditation Records
- Oversight of Individual Funds
- Individual Medical and Program Case Files, including, but not limited to:
  - Individual Service Plans
  - Progress on Identified Outcomes
  - Healthcare Plans
  - Medication Administration Records
  - Medical Emergency Response Plans
  - Therapy Evaluations and Plans
  - Healthcare Documentation Regarding Appointments and Required Follow-Up
  - Other Required Health Information
- Internal Incident Management Reports and System Process
- Personnel Files, including nursing and subcontracted staff
- Staff Training Records, Including Competency Interviews with Staff
- Agency Policy and Procedure Manual
- Caregiver Criminal History Screening Records
- Consolidated Online Registry/Employee Abuse Registry
- Human Rights Committee Notes and Meeting Minutes Evacuation Drills of Residences and Service Locations
- Quality Assurance / Improvement Plan

CC: Distribution List: DOH - Division of Health Improvement  
DOH - Developmental Disabilities Supports Division  
DOH - Office of Internal Audit  
HSD - Medical Assistance Division

## Attachment A

### Provider Instructions for Completing the QMB Plan of Correction (POC) Process

#### **Introduction:**

After a QMB Compliance Survey, your QMB Report of Findings will be sent to you via e-mail.

Each provider must develop and implement a Plan of Correction (POC) that identifies specific quality assurance and quality improvement activities the agency will implement to correct deficiencies and prevent continued non compliance.

Agencies must submit their Plan of Correction within 10 business days from the date you receive the QMB Report of Findings. (Providers who do not submit a POC within 10 business days will be referred to the Internal Review Committee [IRC] for possible actions or sanctions).

Agencies must fully implement their approved Plan of Correction within 45 business days (10 business days to submit your POC for approval and 35 days to implement your approved Plan of Correction) from the date they receive the QMB Report of Findings. (Providers who fail to complete a POC within the 45 business days allowed shall be referred to the IRC for possible actions or sanctions.)

If you have questions about the Plan of Correction process, call the QMB Plan of Correction Coordinator at 505-699-9356 or email at [Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us](mailto:Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us). Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your DDSD Regional Office.

The POC process cannot resolve disputes regarding findings. If you wish to dispute a finding on the official Report of Findings, you must file an Informal Reconsideration of Findings (IRF) request within ten (10) business days of receiving your report. Please note that you must still submit a POC for findings that are in question (see Attachment "C").

#### **Instructions for Completing Agency POC:**

##### **Required Content**

Your Plan of Correction should provide a step-by-step description of the methods to correct each deficient practice to prevent recurrence and information that ensures the regulation cited is in compliance. The remedies noted in your POC are expected to be added to your Agency's required, annual Quality Assurance Plan.

If a deficiency has already been corrected, the plan should state how it was corrected, the completion date (date the correction was accomplished), and how possible recurrence of the deficiency will be prevented.

##### **The Plan of Correction must address the required six CMS core elements to address each deficiency of the POC:**

1. How the specific and realistic corrective action will be accomplished for individuals found to have been affected by the deficient practice.
2. How the agency will identify other individuals who have the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice, and how the agency will act to protect individuals in similar situations.
3. What QA measures will be put into place or systemic changes made to ensure that the deficient practice will not recur

4. Indicate how the agency plans to monitor its performance to make sure that solutions are sustained. The agency must develop a QA plan for ensuring that correction is achieved and sustained. This QA plan must be implemented, and the corrective action evaluated for its effectiveness. The plan of correction is integrated into the agency quality assurance system; and
5. Include dates when corrective action will be completed. The corrective action completion dates must be acceptable to the State.
6. The POC must be signed and dated by the agency director or other authorized official.

*The following details should be considered when developing your POC:*

- Details about how and when Consumer, Personnel and Residential files are audited by Agency personnel to ensure they contain required documents;
- Information about how Medication Administration Records are reviewed to verify they contain all required information before they are distributed, as they are being used, and after they are completed;
- Your processes for ensuring that all staff are trained in Core Competencies, Incident Reporting, and Individual-Specific service requirements, etc;
- How accuracy in Billing documentation is assured;
- How health, safety is assured;
- For Case Management Providers, how ISPs are reviewed to verify they meet requirements, how the timeliness of LOC packet submissions and consumer visits are tracked;
- Your process for gathering, analyzing and responding to Quality data; and,
- Details about Quality Targets in various areas, current status, analyses about why targets were not met, and remedies implemented.

**Note: Instruction or in-service of staff alone may not be a sufficient plan of correction.** This is a good first step toward correction, but additional steps should be taken to ensure the deficiency is corrected and will not recur.

#### **Completion Dates**

- The plan of correction must include a **completion date** (entered in the far right-hand column) for each finding. Be sure the date is **realistic** in the amount of time your Agency will need to correct the deficiency; not to exceed 45 total business days.
- Direct care issues should be corrected immediately and monitored appropriately.
- Some deficiencies may require a staged plan to accomplish total correction.
- Deficiencies requiring replacement of equipment, etc., may require more time to accomplish correction but should show reasonable time frames.

#### **Initial Submission of the Plan of Correction Requirements**

1. The Plan of Correction must be completed on the official QMB Survey Report of Findings/Plan of Correction Form and received by QMB within ten (10) business days from the date you received the report of findings.
2. For questions about the POC process, call the QMB POC Coordinator, Crystal Lopez-Beck at 505-699-9356 for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your local DDSD Regional Office.
4. Submit your POC to Crystal Lopez-Beck, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
  - a. Electronically at [Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us](mailto:Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us) (*preferred method*)
  - b. Fax to 505-222-8661, or
  - c. Mail to POC Coordinator, 5301 Central Avenue NE, Suite 400, Albuquerque, NM 87108

5. Do not submit supporting documentation (evidence of compliance) to QMB until after your POC has been approved by the QMB.
6. QMB will notify you when your POC has been “approve” or “denied.”
  - a. During this time, whether your POC is “approved,” or “denied,” you will have a maximum of 45 business days from the date of receipt of your Report of Findings to correct all survey deficiencies.
  - b. If your POC is denied, it must be revised and resubmitted as soon as possible, as the 45 business day limit is in effect.
  - c. If your POC is denied a second time your agency may be referred to the Internal Review Committee.
  - d. You will receive written confirmation when your POC has been approved by QMB and a final deadline for completion of your POC.
7. Failure to submit your POC within 10 business days without prior approval of an extension by QMB will result in a referral to the Internal Review Committee and the possible implementation of monetary penalties and/or sanctions.

### ***POC Document Submission Requirements***

Once your POC has been approved by the QMB Plan of Correction Coordinator you must submit copies of documents as evidence that all deficiencies have been corrected, as follows.

1. Your internal documents are due within a maximum of 45 business days of receipt of your Report of Findings.
2. You may submit your documents by postal mail (paper hard copy or on a disc), fax, or electronically (scanned and attached to e-mails).
3. All submitted documents must be annotated; please be sure the tag numbers and Identification numbers are indicated on each document submitted. Documents which are not annotated with the Tag number and Identification number may not be accepted.
4. Do not submit original documents; Please provide copies or scanned electronic files for evidence. Originals must be maintained in the agency file(s) per DDSD Standards.
5. In lieu of some documents, you may submit copies of file or home audit forms that clearly indicate cited deficiencies have been corrected, other attestations of correction must be approved by the Plan of Correction Coordinator prior to their submission.
6. For billing deficiencies, you must submit:
  - a. Evidence of an internal audit of billing documentation for a sample of individuals and timeframes;
  - b. Copies of “void and adjust” forms submitted to correct all over-billed or unjustified units billed identified during your internal audit.

Revisions, Modifications or Extensions to your Plan of Correction (post QMB approval) must be made in writing and submitted to the Deputy Chief at QMB, prior to the due date and are approved on a case-by-case basis. No changes may be made to your POC or the timeframes for implementation without written approval of the POC Coordinator.

## Attachment B

### Department of Health, Division of Health Improvement QMB Determination of Compliance Process

The Division of Health Improvement, Quality Management Bureau (QMB) surveys compliance of the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) standards and state and federal regulations. QMB has grouped the CMS assurances into five Service Domains: Level of Care; Plan of Care; Qualified Providers; Health, Welfare and Safety; and Administrative Oversight (note that Administrative Oversight listed in this document is not the same as the CMS assurance of Administrative Authority. Used in this context it is related to the agency's operational policies and procedures, Quality Management system and Medicaid billing and reimbursement processes.)

The QMB Determination of Compliance process is based on provider compliance or non-compliance with standards and regulations identified in the QMB Report of Findings. All deficiencies (non-compliance with standards and regulations) are identified and cited as either a Standard level deficiency or a Condition of Participation level deficiency in the QMB Reports of Findings. All deficiencies require corrective action when non-compliance is identified.

Within the QMB Service Domains there are fundamental regulations, standards, or policies with which a provider must be in essential compliance in order to ensure the health and welfare of individuals served known as Conditions of Participation (CoPs).

The Determination of Compliance for each service type is based on a provider's compliance with CoPs in three (3) Service Domains.

#### Case Management Services:

- Level of Care
- Plan of Care
- Qualified Providers

#### Community Inclusion Supports/ Living Supports:

- Qualified Provider
- Plan of Care
- Health, Welfare and Safety

### Conditions of Participation (CoPs)

A CoP is an identified fundamental regulation, standard, or policy with which a provider must be in compliance in order to ensure the health and welfare of individuals served. CoPs are based on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Home and Community-Based Waiver required assurances. A provider must be in compliance with CoPs to participate as a waiver provider.

QMB surveyors use professional judgment when reviewing the critical elements of each standard and regulation to determine when non-compliance with a standard level deficiency rises to the level of a CoP out of compliance. Only some deficiencies can rise to the level of a CoP. (See the next section for a list of CoPs.) The QMB survey team analyzes the relevant finding in terms of scope, actual harm or potential for harm, unique situations, patterns of performance, and other factors to determine if there is the potential for a negative outcome which would rise to the level of a CoP. A Standard level deficiency becomes a CoP out of compliance when the team's analysis establishes that there is an identified

potential for significant harm or actual harm. It is then cited as a CoP out of compliance. If the deficiency does not rise to the level of a CoP out of compliance, it is cited as a Standard Level Deficiency.

The Division of Health Improvement (DHI) and the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) collaborated to revise the current Conditions of Participation (CoPs). There are seven Conditions of Participation in which providers must be in compliance.

### **CoPs and Service Domains for Case Management Supports are as follows:**

#### **Service Domain: Level of Care**

Condition of Participation:

1. **Level of Care:** The Case Manager shall complete all required elements of the Long Term Care Assessment Abstract (LTCAA) to ensure ongoing eligibility for waiver services.

#### **Service Domain: Plan of Care**

Condition of Participation:

2. **Individual Service Plan (ISP) Creation and Development:** Each individual shall have an ISP. The ISP shall be developed in accordance with DDSD regulations and standards and is updated at least annually or when warranted by changes in the individual's needs.

Condition of Participation:

3. **ISP Monitoring and Evaluation:** The Case Manager shall ensure the health and welfare of the individual through monitoring the implementation of ISP desired outcomes.

### **CoPs and Service Domain for ALL Service Providers is as follows:**

#### **Service Domain: Qualified Providers**

Condition of Participation:

4. **Qualified Providers:** Agencies shall ensure support staff has completed criminal background screening and all mandated trainings as required by the DDSD.

### **CoPs and Service Domains for Living Supports and Inclusion Supports are as follows:**

#### **Service Domain: Plan of Care**

Condition of Participation:

5. **ISP Implementation:** Services provided shall be consistent with the components of the ISP and implemented to achieve desired outcomes.

#### **Service Domain: Health, Welfare and Safety**

Condition of Participation:

6. **Individual Health, Safety and Welfare: (Safety)** Individuals have the right to live and work in a safe environment.

Condition of Participation:

7. **Individual Health, Safety and Welfare (Healthcare Oversight):** The provider shall support individuals to access needed healthcare services in a timely manner. Nursing, healthcare services and healthcare oversight shall be available and provided as needed to address individuals' health, safety and welfare.

## QMB Determinations of Compliance

### Compliance with Conditions of Participation

The QMB determination of *Compliance with Conditions of Participation* indicates that a provider is in compliance with all Conditions of Participation, (CoP). The agency has obtained a level of compliance such that there is a minimal potential for harm to individuals' health and safety. To qualify for a determination of Compliance with Conditions of Participation, the provider must be in compliance with all Conditions of Participation in all relevant Service Domains. The agency may also have Standard level deficiencies (deficiencies which are not at the condition level) out of compliance in any of the Service Domains.

### Partial-Compliance with Conditions of Participation

The QMB determination of *Partial-Compliance with Conditions of Participation* indicates that a provider is out of compliance with Conditions of Participation in one (1) to two (2) Service Domains. The agency may have one or more Condition level tags within a Service Domain. This partial-compliance, if not corrected, may result in a serious negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals' health and safety. The agency may also have Standard level deficiencies (deficiencies which are not at the condition level) in any of the Service Domains.

Providers receiving a repeat determination of Partial-Compliance for repeat deficiencies at the level of a Condition in any Service Domain may be referred by the Quality Management Bureau to the Internal Review Committee (IRC) for consideration of remedies and possible actions or sanctions.

### Non-Compliance with Conditions of Participation

The QMB determination of *Non-Compliance with Conditions of Participation* indicates a provider is significantly out of compliance with Conditions of Participation in multiple Service Domains. The agency may have one or more Condition level tags in each of 3 relevant Service Domains. This non-compliance, if not corrected, may result in a serious negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals' health and safety. The agency may also have Standard level deficiencies (deficiencies which are not at the condition level) in any of the Service Domains

Providers receiving a repeat determination of Non-Compliance will be referred by Quality Management Bureau to the Internal Review Committee (IRC) for consideration of remedies and possible actions or sanctions.

**Guidelines for the Provider  
Informal Reconsideration of Finding (IRF) Process**

**Introduction:**

Throughout the QMB Survey process, surveyors are openly communicating with providers. Open communication means surveyors have clarified issues and/or requested missing information before completing the review through the use of the signed/dated “Document Request,” or “administrative Needs,” etc. forms. Regardless, there may still be instances where the provider disagrees with a specific finding. Providers may use the following process to informally dispute a finding.

**Instructions:**

1. The Informal Reconsideration of the Finding (IRF) request must be received in writing to the QMB Deputy Bureau Chief **within 10 business days** of receipt of the final Report of Findings.
2. The written request for an IRF *must* be completed on the QMB Request for Informal Reconsideration of Finding form available on the QMB website: <http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/qmb>
3. The written request for an IRF must specify in detail the request for reconsideration and why the finding is inaccurate.
4. The IRF request must include all supporting documentation or evidence.
5. If you have questions about the IRC process, email the IRF Chairperson, Scott Good at [scott.good@state.nm.us](mailto:scott.good@state.nm.us) for assistance.

**The following limitations apply to the IRF process:**

- The written request for an IRF and all supporting evidence must be received within 10 business days.
- Findings based on evidence requested during the survey and not provided may not be subject to reconsideration.
- The supporting documentation must be new evidence not previously reviewed or requested by the survey team.
- Providers must continue to complete their Plan of Correction during the IRF process
- Providers may not request an IRF to challenge the sampling methodology.
- Providers may not request an IRF based on disagreement with the nature of the standard or regulation.
- Providers may not request an IRF to challenge the team composition.
- Providers may not request an IRF to challenge the DHI/QMB determination of compliance or the length of their DDSD provider contract.

A Provider forfeits the right to an IRF if the request is not received within 10 business days of receiving the report and/or does not include all supporting documentation or evidence to show compliance with the standards and regulations.

The IRF Committee will review the request, the Provider will be notified in writing of the ruling; no face-to-face meeting will be conducted.

When a Provider requests that a finding be reconsidered, it does not stop or delay the Plan of Correction process. **Providers must continue to complete the Plan of Correction, including the finding in dispute regardless of the IRF status.** If a finding is removed or modified, it will be noted and removed or modified from the Report of Findings. It should be noted that in some cases a Plan of Correction may be completed prior to the IRF process being completed. The provider will be notified in writing on the decisions of the IRF committee.

**Agency:** Active Solutions Incorporated - Southwest Region  
**Program:** Developmental Disabilities Waiver  
**Service:** Community Living Supports (Family Living, Independent Living) and Community Inclusion Supports (Adult Habilitation, Community Access)  
**Monitoring Type:** Routine Survey  
**Survey Date:** April 1 - 4, 2013

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<b>Service Domain: Service Plans: ISP Implementation</b> – Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.			
<b>Tag # 1A32 and 6L14</b> <b>Individual Service Plan Implementation</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p><b>NMAC 7.26.5.16.C and D Development of the ISP. Implementation of the ISP.</b> The ISP shall be implemented according to the timelines determined by the IDT and as specified in the ISP for each stated desired outcomes and action plan.</p> <p>C. The IDT shall review and discuss information and recommendations with the individual, with the goal of supporting the individual in attaining desired outcomes. The IDT develops an ISP based upon the individual's personal vision statement, strengths, needs, interests and preferences. The ISP is a dynamic document, revised periodically, as needed, and amended to reflect progress towards personal goals and achievements consistent with the individual's future vision. This regulation is consistent with standards established for individual plan development as set forth by the commission on the accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF) and/or other program accreditation approved and adopted by the developmental disabilities division and the department of health.</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not implement the ISP according to the timelines determined by the IDT and as specified in the ISP for each stated desired outcomes and action plan for 6 of 12 individuals.</p> <p>Per Individuals ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes:</p> <p><b>Family Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</b></p> <p>Individual #1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per Fun Outcome, Action Step for "...will invite someone to play basketball," is to be completed 1 time per week; evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2013.</li> <li>• Per Fun Outcome, Action Step for "...will play basketball with someone," is to be completed 1 time per week; evidence found</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>          State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>          Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>It is the policy of the developmental disabilities division (DDD), that to the extent permitted by funding, each individual receive supports and services that will assist and encourage independence and productivity in the community and attempt to prevent regression or loss of current capabilities. Services and supports include specialized and/or generic services, training, education and/or treatment as determined by the IDT and documented in the ISP.</p> <p>D. The intent is to provide choice and obtain opportunities for individuals to live, work and play with full participation in their communities. The following principles provide direction and purpose in planning for individuals with developmental disabilities. [05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01]</p>	<p>indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2013 - 2/2013.</p> <p>Individual #5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per Live Outcome, "...will independently exit the house during a fire drill 2x month." Action Step for "exit the home during the fire drill," is to be completed 2 times per month; evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 10/2012 - 1/2013.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per Fun Outcome, "...will plan and attend an activity with her friend four times per month for one year." Action Step for "...will invite her friend out," is to be completed 1 time per month evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 2/2012.</li> <li>• Per Live Outcome, "...will be a responsible pet owner by bathing her dog twice weekly for a year." Action Step for "...will bathe her dog," is to be completed 2 times per week evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 12/2012, 1/2013 and 2/2013.</li> </ul> <p><b>Adult Habilitation Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</b></p> <p>Individual #4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per Work/learn Outcome, Action Step for "...able to take bus to his destination with no staff assistance," is to be completed 2 times per week evidence found indicated it was</li> </ul>		
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	<p>not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 12/2012 - 2/2013.</p> <p>Individual #7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Per Work/learn Outcome, Action Step for "...will practice spelling words on computer" is to be completed 2 - 3 times per week evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2013 - 2/2013.</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Access Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</b></p> <p>Individual #3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found for 10/2012 - 3/2013.</li> </ul>		
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<p>implementation</p> <p>(6) Progress notes written by direct care staff and by nurses regarding individual health status and physical conditions including action taken in response to identified changes in condition for at least the past month;</p> <p>(7) Physician's or qualified health care providers written orders;</p> <p>(8) Progress notes documenting implementation of a physician's or qualified health care provider's order(s);</p> <p>(9) Medication Administration Record (MAR) for the past three (3) months which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The name of the individual;</li> <li>(b) A transcription of the healthcare practitioners prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication;</li> <li>(c) Diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</li> <li>(d) Dosage, frequency and method/route of delivery;</li> <li>(e) Times and dates of delivery;</li> <li>(f) Initials of person administering or assisting with medication; and</li> <li>(g) An explanation of any medication irregularity, allergic reaction or adverse effect.</li> <li>(h) For PRN medication an explanation for the use of the PRN must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and</li> <li>(ii) Documentation of the effectiveness/result of the PRN delivered.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(i) A MAR is not required for individuals participating in Independent Living Services who self-administer their own medication. However, when medication administration</li> </ul>			
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<p>is provided as part of the Independent Living Service a MAR must be maintained at the individual's home and an updated copy must be placed in the agency file on a weekly basis.</p> <p>(10) Record of visits to healthcare practitioners including any treatment provided at the visit and a record of all diagnostic testing for the current ISP year; and</p> <p>(11) Medical History to include: demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the developmental disability and any psychiatric diagnosis, allergies (food, environmental, medications), status of routine adult health care screenings, immunizations, hospital discharge summaries for past twelve (12) months, past medical history including hospitalizations, surgeries, injuries, family history and current physical exam.</p>			
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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<b>Service Domain: Qualified Providers</b> – <i>The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements. The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with State requirements and the approved waiver.</i>			
<b>Tag # 1A11.1</b> <b>Transportation Training</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards...</p> <p><b>Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy Eff Date:</b> March 1, 2007</p> <p><b>II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</b></p> <p>I. Staff providing direct services shall complete safety training within the first thirty (30) days of employment and before working alone with an individual receiving services. The training shall address at least the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Operating a fire extinguisher</li> <li>2. Proper lifting procedures</li> <li>3. General vehicle safety precautions (e.g., pre-trip inspection, removing keys from the ignition when not in the driver's seat)</li> <li>4. Assisting passengers with cognitive and/or</li> </ol>	<p>Based on interview, the Agency did not provide and/or have documentation for staff training regarding the safe operation of the vehicle, assisting passengers and safe lifting procedures for 2 of 42 Direct Support Personnel.</p> <p><b>When DSP were asked if they had received transportation training including training on wheelchair tie downs and van lift safety the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSP #66 stated, "No."</li> <li>• DSP #54 stated, "No, just stuff I've read."</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b> State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b> Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>physical impairments (e.g., general guidelines for supporting individuals who may be unaware of safety issues involving traffic or those who require physical assistance to enter/exit a vehicle)</p> <p>5. Operating wheelchair lifts (if applicable to the staff's role)</p> <p>6. Wheelchair tie-down procedures (if applicable to the staff's role)</p> <p>7. Emergency and evacuation procedures (e.g., roadside emergency, fire emergency)</p>			
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<b>Tag # 1A20</b> <b>Direct Support Personnel Training</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 IV. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVIDER AGENCY SERVICE PERSONNEL:</b> The objective of this section is to establish personnel standards for DD Medicaid Waiver Provider Agencies for the following services: Community Living Supports, Community Inclusion Services, Respite, Substitute Care and Personal Support Companion Services. These standards apply to all personnel who provide services, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional personnel requirements and qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>C. Orientation and Training Requirements:</b> Orientation and training for direct support staff and his or her supervisors shall comply with the DDSD/DOH Policy Governing the Training Requirements for Direct Support Staff and Internal Service Coordinators Serving Individuals with Developmental Disabilities to include the following:</p> <p>(1) Each new employee shall receive appropriate orientation, including but not limited to, all policies relating to fire prevention, accident prevention, incident management and reporting, and emergency procedures; and</p> <p>(2) Individual-specific training for each individual under his or her direct care, as described in the individual service plan, prior to working alone with the individual.</p> <p><b>Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy</b>  <b>- Policy Title: Training Requirements for</b></p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Orientation and Training requirements were met for 5 of 42 Direct Support Personnel.</p> <p>Review of Direct Support Personnel training records found no evidence of the following required DOH/DDSD trainings and certification being completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre- Service (DSP #79, 81)</li> <li>• Foundation for Health and Wellness (DSP #79, 81)</li> <li>• Person-Centered Planning (1-Day) (DSP #77, 79, 81)</li> <li>• First Aid (DSP #69, 79)</li> <li>• CPR (DSP #79)</li> <li>• Assisting With Medication Delivery (DSP #60)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>  State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>  Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p><b>Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 - II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</b></p> <p>A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff.</p> <p>B. Staff shall complete individual-specific (formerly known as “Addendum B”) training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the individual service plan (ISP) of each individual served.</p> <p>C. Staff shall complete training on DOH-approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13.</p> <p>D. Staff providing direct services shall complete training in universal precautions on an annual basis. The training materials shall meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements.</p> <p>E. Staff providing direct services shall maintain certification in first aid and CPR. The training materials shall meet OSHA requirements/guidelines.</p> <p>F. Staff who may be exposed to hazardous chemicals shall complete relevant training in accordance with OSHA requirements.</p> <p>G. Staff shall be certified in a DDS-approved behavioral intervention system (e.g., Mandt, CPI) before using physical restraint techniques. Staff members providing direct services shall maintain certification in a DDS-approved behavioral intervention system if an individual they support has a behavioral crisis plan that includes the use of physical restraint techniques.</p> <p>H. Staff shall complete and maintain certification in a DDS-approved medication course in accordance with the DDS Medication Delivery Policy M-001.</p> <p>I. Staff providing direct services shall complete safety training within the first thirty (30) days of employment and before working alone with an individual receiving service.</p>			
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<p>individual;</p> <p>(4) Direct service personnel shall meet the qualifications specified by DDSD in the Policy Governing the Training Requirements for Direct Support Staff and Internal Service Coordinators, Serving Individuals with Developmental Disabilities; and</p> <p>(5) Direct service Provider Agencies of Respite Services, Substitute Care, Personal Support Services, Nutritional Counseling, Therapists and Nursing shall demonstrate basic knowledge of developmental disabilities and have training or demonstrable qualifications related to the role he or she is performing and complete individual specific training as required in the ISP for each individual he or she support.</p> <p>(6) Report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD policies as related to training requirements as follows:</p> <p>(a) Initial comprehensive personnel status report (name, date of hire, Social Security number category) on all required personnel to be submitted to DDSD Statewide Training Database within the first ninety (90) calendar days of providing services;</p> <p>(b) Staff who do not wish to use his or her Social Security Number may request an alternative tracking number; and</p> <p>(c) Quarterly personnel update reports sent to DDSD Statewide Training Database to reflect new hires, terminations, inter-provider Agency position changes, and name changes.</p>	<p><b>When DSP were asked if the Individual had a Medical Emergency Response Plans and if so, what the plan(s) covered, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSP #47 reported, Ineffective Breathing, constipation and pain. As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires Medical Emergency Response Plans for Falls. (Individual #3)</li> <li>• DSP #50 stated, “No.” As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires a Medical Emergency Response Plans for Falls. (Individual #2)</li> <li>• DSP #57 reported, “I’m supposed to call the service coordinator, call the nurse and get instruction from her.” As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual also requires Medical Emergency Response Plans for Aspiration and Gastrointestinal Constipation. (Individual #7)</li> <li>• DSP #62 reported, “Potential for ineffective breathing due to asthma and potential for pain.” As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual also requires Medical Emergency Response Plans for Falls. (Individual #3)</li> <li>• DSP #74 stated, “Neuro device and respiratory that would be all.” As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual also requires Medical Emergency Response</li> </ul>		
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<p><b>Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy</b>  <b>- Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 - II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</b>  A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff.</p>	<p>Plans for Gastrointestinal Constipation, falls aspiration and pain. (Individual #11)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #78 stated, "Shunt, gastric, aspiration, constipation, and falls." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual also requires Medical Emergency Response Plans for Respiratory and Pain. (Individual #11)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked, what steps are you to take in the event of a medication error, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #47 stated, "Complete med error report. Put dropped pill in toilet and flush it." (Individual #3) Per agency policy DSP are to "call Consumer's Pharmacist for instructions on how to dispose."</li> </ul>		
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Tag # 1A25 Criminal Caregiver History Screening	Standard Level Deficiency		
<p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.8 CAREGIVER AND HOSPITAL CAREGIVER EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:</b>  <b>F. Timely Submission:</b> Care providers shall submit all fees and pertinent application information for all individuals who meet the definition of an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver as described in Subsections B, D and K of 7.1.9.7 NMAC, no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the first day of employment or effective date of a contractual relationship with the care provider.</p> <p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.9 CAREGIVERS OR HOSPITAL CAREGIVERS AND APPLICANTS WITH DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS:</b>  <b>A. Prohibition on Employment:</b> A care provider shall not hire or continue the employment or contractual services of any applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver for whom the care provider has received notice of a disqualifying conviction, except as provided in Subsection B of this section.</p> <p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.11 DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS.</b> The following felony convictions disqualify an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver from employment or contractual services with a care provider:  <b>A.</b> homicide;  <b>B.</b> trafficking, or trafficking in controlled substances;  <b>C.</b> kidnapping, false imprisonment, aggravated assault or aggravated battery;  <b>D.</b> rape, criminal sexual penetration, criminal</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation indicating no “disqualifying convictions” or documentation of the timely submission of pertinent application information to the Caregiver Criminal History Screening Program was on file for 3 of 61 Agency Personnel.</p> <p><b>The following Agency Personnel Files contained no evidence of Caregiver Criminal History Screenings:</b></p> <p><b>Direct Support Personnel (DSP):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #81 – Date of hire 12/31/2012.</li> </ul> <p><b>Substitute Care/Respite Personnel:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #89 – Date of hire 5/8/2010.</li> </ul> <p><b>The following Agency Personnel Files contained Caregiver Criminal History Screenings, which did not correlate to the Agencies date of Hire:</b></p> <p><b>Direct Support Personnel (DSP):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #74 – Date of hire 12/31/2012.  *CCHS letter was dated 9/8/2009. #82 reported that there was a break in service for DSP #74 who was previously employed as a sub care staff and is now an FLP. Per NMAC 7.1.9.8 <b>B. Exception:</b> A caregiver or hospital caregiver applying for employment or contracting services with a care provider within twelve (12) months of the caregiver’s or hospital caregiver’s most</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>  State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>  Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>sexual contact, incest, indecent exposure, or other related felony sexual offenses;</p> <p><b>E.</b> crimes involving adult abuse, neglect or financial exploitation;</p> <p><b>F.</b> crimes involving child abuse or neglect;</p> <p><b>G.</b> crimes involving robbery, larceny, extortion, burglary, fraud, forgery, embezzlement, credit card fraud, or receiving stolen property; or</p> <p><b>H.</b> an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy involving any of the felonies in this subsection.</p>	<p>recent nationwide criminal history screening which list no disqualifying convictions shall only apply for a statewide criminal history screening upon offer of employment or at the time of entering into a contractual relationship with the care provider. At the discretion of the care provider a nationwide criminal history screening, additional to the required statewide criminal history screening, may be requested.</p>		
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<p>an inquiry to the registry concerning that employee prior to employment. Such documentation must include evidence, based on the response to such inquiry received from the custodian by the provider, that the employee was not listed on the registry as having a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation.</p> <p>E. <b>Documentation for other staff.</b> With respect to all employed or contracted individuals providing direct care who are licensed health care professionals or certified nurse aides, the provider shall maintain documentation reflecting the individual's current licensure as a health care professional or current certification as a nurse aide.</p> <p>F. <b>Consequences of noncompliance.</b> The department or other governmental agency having regulatory enforcement authority over a provider may sanction a provider in accordance with applicable law if the provider fails to make an appropriate and timely inquiry of the registry, or fails to maintain evidence of such inquiry, in connection with the hiring or contracting of an employee; or for employing or contracting any person to work as an employee who is listed on the registry. Such sanctions may include a directed plan of correction, civil monetary penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5000) per instance, or termination or non-renewal of any contract with the department or other governmental agency.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007  <b>Chapter 1.IV. General Provider Requirements. D. Criminal History Screening:</b> All personnel shall be screened by the Provider Agency in regard to the employee's qualifications, references, and employment</p>			
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history, prior to employment. All Provider Agencies shall comply with the Criminal Records Screening for Caregivers 7.1.12 NMAC and Employee Abuse Registry 7.1.12 NMAC as required by the Department of Health, Division of Health Improvement.



<p><b>II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</b> A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff. C. Staff shall complete training on DOH-approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13.</p>			
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(formerly known as "Addendum B") training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the individual service plan (ISP) of each individual served.

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<p><b>Service Domain: Health and Welfare</b> – The state, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent occurrences of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Individuals shall be afforded their basic human rights. The provider supports individuals to access needed healthcare services in a timely manner.</p>			
<p><b>Tag # 1A09</b>  <b>Medication Delivery</b>  <b>Routine Medication Administration</b></p>	<p><b>Standard Level Deficiency</b></p>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007  <b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.  <b>E. Medication Delivery:</b> Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDS Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.   (2) When required by the DDS Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:  (a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or</p>	<p>Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of February, March and April 2013.</p> <p>Based on record review, 3 of 10 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors:</p> <p>Individual #1  February 2013  Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fexofenadine 180 mg (1 time daily) – Blank 2/1, 2</li> </ul> <p>Individual #6  February 2013  Medication Administration Records did not contain the strength of the medication which is to be given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lipitor (1 time daily)</li> </ul> <p>Medication Administration Records contain the following medications. No Physician's Orders were found for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lipitor (1 time daily)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>  State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>  Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</p> <p>(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;</p> <p>(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;</p> <p>(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p> <p>(f) For PRN medication, an explanation for the use of the PRN medication shall include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>(3) The Provider Agency shall also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose;</p> <p>(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;</p> <p>(5) Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications shall be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and shall include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;</p> <p><b>NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS:</b>  A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND</p>	<p>Individual #9  March 2013  Medication Administration Record did not contain the time the medication should be given. MAR indicated time as "AM, PM and/or Bedtime":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sivastatin 10mg (1 time daily)</li> </ul>		
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<p>RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS:</p> <p>(d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting medication administered to residents, <b>including over-the-counter medications.</b> This documentation shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Name of resident;</li> <li>(ii) Date given;</li> <li>(iii) Drug product name;</li> <li>(iv) Dosage and form;</li> <li>(v) Strength of drug;</li> <li>(vi) Route of administration;</li> <li>(vii) How often medication is to be taken;</li> <li>(viii) Time taken and staff initials;</li> <li>(ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed;</li> <li>(x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications.</li> </ul> <p><b>Model Custodial Procedure Manual</b>  <b>D. Administration of Drugs</b></p> <p>Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications.  Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications.</p> <p>All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,</li> <li>➤ exact dosage to be used, and</li> <li>➤ the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period.</li> </ul>			
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<b>Tag # 1A09.1</b> <b>Medication Delivery</b> <b>PRN Medication Administration</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>E. Medication Delivery:</b> Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>(2) When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:</p> <p>(a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and</p>	<p>Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of February, March and April 2013.</p> <p>Based on record review, 3 of 10 individuals had PRN Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing elements as required by standard:</p> <p>Individual #1 March 2013 No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication: • Advil 200 mg – PRN – 3/25 (given 1 times)</p> <p>Individual #3 February 2013 Medication Administration Records did not contain the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period: • Naproxen 500 mg (PRN)</p> <p>Medication Administration Records did not contain the circumstance for which the medication is to be used: • Naproxen 500 mg (PRN)</p> <p>No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication: • Naproxen 500 mg – PRN – 2/20, 21 (given 1 time)</p> <p>Individual #11 March 2013</p>	<p><b>Provider:</b> State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b> Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</p> <p>(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;</p> <p>(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;</p> <p>(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p> <p>(f) For PRN medication, an explanation for the use of the PRN medication shall include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>(3) The Provider Agency shall also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose;</p> <p>(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;</p> <p>(5) Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications shall be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and shall include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;</p> <p><b>NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS: A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS:</b></p> <p>(d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting</p>	<p>No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hydrocodone 325 mg – PRN – 3/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 (given 3 times)</li> </ul>		
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<p>medication administered to residents, <b>including over-the-counter medications.</b>  This documentation shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Name of resident;</li> <li>(ii) Date given;</li> <li>(iii) Drug product name;</li> <li>(iv) Dosage and form;</li> <li>(v) Strength of drug;</li> <li>(vi) Route of administration;</li> <li>(vii) How often medication is to be taken;</li> <li>(viii) Time taken and staff initials;</li> <li>(ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed;</li> <li>(x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications.</li> </ul> <p><b>Model Custodial Procedure Manual</b>  <b>D. Administration of Drugs</b>  Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications.  Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications.</p> <p>All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,</li> <li>➤ exact dosage to be used, and</li> <li>➤ the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period.</li> </ul> <p><b>Department of Health</b>  <b>Developmental Disabilities Supports</b>  <b>Division (DDSD) Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy - Eff. November 1, 2006</b>  <b>F. PRN Medication</b>  3. Prior to self-administration, self-</p>			
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<p>administration with physical assist or assisting with delivery of PRN medications, the direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN medication is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention. This does not apply to home based/family living settings where the provider is related by affinity or by consanguinity to the individual.</p> <p>4. The agency nurse shall review the utilization of PRN medications routinely. Frequent or escalating use of PRN medications must be reported to the PCP and discussed by the Interdisciplinary for changes to the overall support plan (see Section H of this policy).</p> <p><b>H. Agency Nurse Monitoring</b></p> <p>1. Regardless of the level of assistance with medication delivery that is required by the individual or the route through which the medication is delivered, the agency nurses must monitor the individual's response to the effects of their routine and PRN medications. The frequency and type of monitoring must be based on the nurse's assessment of the individual and consideration of the individual's diagnoses, health status, stability, utilization of PRN medications and level of support required by the individual's condition and the skill level and needs of the direct care staff. Nursing monitoring should be based on prudent nursing</p>			
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<p>practice and should support the safety and independence of the individual in the community setting. The health care plan shall reflect the planned monitoring of the individual's response to medication.</p> <p><b>Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) - Procedure Title:</b>  <b>Medication Assessment and Delivery</b>  <b>Procedure Eff Date: November 1, 2006</b></p> <p>C. 3. Prior to delivery of the PRN, direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention. (References: Psychotropic Medication Use Policy, Section D, page 5 Use of PRN Psychotropic Medications; and, Human Rights Committee Requirements Policy, Section B, page 4 Interventions Requiring Review and Approval – Use of PRN Medications).</p> <p>a. Document conversation with nurse including all reported signs and symptoms, advice given and action taken by staff.</p> <p>4. Document on the MAR each time a PRN medication is used and describe its effect on the individual (e.g., temperature down, vomiting lessened, anxiety increased, the condition is the same, improved, or worsened, etc.).</p>			
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<p>assessments in collaboration with the Primary Care Practitioner if they believe such consultation is necessary for an accurate assessment. Family Living Provider Agencies have the option of having the subcontracted caregiver complete the HAT instead of the nurse or PCP, if the caregiver is comfortable doing so. However, the agency nurse must be available to assist the caregiver upon request.</p> <p>(c) For newly allocated individuals, the HAT and the MAAT must be completed within seventy-two (72) hours of admission into direct services or two weeks following the initial ISP, whichever comes first.</p> <p>(d) For individuals already in services, the HAT and the MAAT must be completed at least fourteen (14) days prior to the annual ISP meeting and submitted to all members of the interdisciplinary team. The HAT must also be completed at the time of any significant change in clinical condition and upon return from any hospitalizations. In addition to annually, the MAAT must be completed at the time of any significant change in clinical condition, when a medication regime or route change requires delivery by licensed or certified staff, or when an individual has completed additional training designed to improve their skills to support self-administration (see DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy).</p> <p>(e) Nursing assessments conducted to determine current health status or to evaluate a change in clinical condition must be documented in a signed progress note that includes time and date as well as <i>subjective</i> information including the individual complaints, signs and symptoms noted by staff, family members or other team members; <i>objective</i> information including vital signs, physical examination, weight, and other pertinent data</p>			
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<p>for the given situation (e.g., seizure frequency, method in which temperature taken); <i>assessment</i> of the clinical status, and <i>plan</i> of action addressing relevant aspects of all active health problems and follow up on any recommendations of medical consultants.</p> <p><b>(2) Health related plans</b></p> <p>(a) For individuals with chronic conditions that have the potential to exacerbate into a life-threatening situation, a medical crisis prevention and intervention plan must be written by the nurse or other appropriately designated healthcare professional.</p> <p>(b) Crisis prevention and intervention plans must be written in user-friendly language that is easily understood by those implementing the plan.</p> <p>(c) The nurse shall also document training regarding the crisis prevention and intervention plan delivered to agency staff and other team members, clearly indicating competency determination for each trainee.</p> <p>(d) If the individual receives services from separate agencies for community living and community inclusion services, nurses from each agency shall collaborate in the development of and training delivery for crisis prevention and intervention plans to assure maximum consistency across settings.</p> <p>(3) For all individuals with a HAT score of 4, 5 or 6, the nurse shall develop a comprehensive healthcare plan that includes health related supports identified in the ISP (The healthcare plan is the equivalent of a nursing care plan; two separate documents are not required nor recommended):</p> <p>(a) Each healthcare plan must include a statement of the person's healthcare needs and list measurable goals to be achieved through implementation of the healthcare plan.</p>			
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<p>Needs statements may be based upon supports needed for the individual to maintain a current strength, ability or skill related to their health, prevention measures, and/or supports needed to remediate, minimize or manage an existing health condition.</p> <p>(b) Goals must be measurable and shall be revised when an individual has met the goal and has the potential to attain additional goals or no longer requires supports in order to maintain the goal.</p> <p>(c) Approaches described in the plan shall be individualized to reflect the individual's unique needs, provide guidance to the caregiver(s) and designed to support successful interactions. Some interventions may be carried out by staff, family members or other team members, and other interventions may be carried out directly by the nurse – persons responsible for each intervention shall be specified in the plan.</p> <p>(d) Healthcare plans shall be written in language that will be easily understood by the person(s) identified as implementing the interventions.</p> <p>(e) The nurse shall also document training on the healthcare plan delivered to agency staff and other team members, clearly indicating competency determination for each trainee. If the individual receives services from separate agencies for community living and community inclusion services, nurses from each agency shall collaborate in the development of and training delivery for healthcare plans to assure maximum consistency across settings.</p> <p>(f) Healthcare plans must be updated to reflect relevant discharge orders whenever an individual returns to services following a hospitalization.</p> <p>(g) All crisis prevention and intervention plans</p>			
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<p>and healthcare plans shall include the individual's name and date on each page and shall be signed by the author.</p> <p>(h) Crisis prevention and intervention plans as well as healthcare plans shall be reviewed by the nurse at least quarterly, and updated as needed.</p> <p><b>(4) General Nursing Documentation</b></p> <p>(a) The nurse shall complete legible and signed progress notes with date and time indicated that describe all interventions or interactions conducted with individuals served as well as all interactions with other healthcare providers serving the individual. All interactions shall be documented whether they occur by phone or in person.</p> <p>(b) For individuals with a HAT score of 4, 5 or 6, or who have identified health concerns in their ISP, the nurse shall provide the interdisciplinary team with a quarterly report that indicates current health status and progress to date on health related ISP desired outcomes and action plans as well as progress toward goals in the healthcare plan.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 5 IV. COMMUNITY INCLUSION SERVICES PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p><b>B. IDT Coordination</b></p> <p>(1) Community Inclusion Services Provider Agencies shall participate on the IDT as specified in the ISP Regulations (7.26.5 NMAC), and shall ensure direct support staff participation as needed to plan effectively for the individual; and</p> <p>(2) Coordinate with the IDT to ensure that each individual participating in Community</p>			
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<p>Inclusion Services who has a score of 4, 5, or 6 on the HAT has a Health Care Plan developed by a licensed nurse, and if applicable, a Crisis Prevention/Intervention Plan.</p> <p><b>Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Policy. Medical Emergency Response Plan Policy MERP-001 eff.8/1/2010</b></p> <p>F. The MERP shall be written in clear, jargon free language and include at a minimum the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A brief, simple description of the condition or illness.</li> <li>2. A brief description of the most likely life threatening complications that might occur and what those complications may look like to an observer.</li> <li>3. A concise list of the most important measures that may prevent the life threatening complication from occurring (e.g., avoiding allergens that trigger an asthma attack or making sure the person with diabetes has snacks with them to avoid hypoglycemia).</li> <li>4. Clear, jargon free, step-by-step instructions regarding the actions to be taken by direct support personnel (DSP) and/or others to intervene in the emergency, including criteria for when to call 911.</li> <li>5. Emergency contacts with phone numbers.</li> <li>6. Reference to whether the individual has advance directives or not, and if so, where the advance directives are located.</li> </ol>			
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instructions for the completion and filing are available at the division's website, <http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/elibrary/ironline/ir.php> or may be obtained from the department by calling the toll free number.



<p>indicating the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. date</li><li>b. time administered</li><li>c. name of patient</li><li>d. dose</li><li>e. practitioner's name</li><li>f. signature of person administering or assisting with the administration the dose</li><li>g. balance of controlled substance remaining.</li></ul>			
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<p>detailed in Chapter One section III E: Healthcare Documentation by Nurses For Community Living Services, Community Inclusion Services and Private Duty Nursing Services.</p> <p>b) That each individual with a score of 4, 5, or 6 on the HAT, has a Health Care Plan developed by a licensed nurse.</p> <p>(c) That an individual with chronic condition(s) with the potential to exacerbate into a life threatening condition, has Crisis Prevention/ Intervention Plan(s) developed by a licensed nurse or other appropriate professional for each such condition.</p> <p>(4) That an average of 3 hours of documented nutritional counseling is available annually, if recommended by the IDT.</p> <p>(5) That the physical property and grounds are free of hazards to the individual's health and safety.</p> <p>(6) In addition, for each individual receiving Supported Living or Family Living Services, the provider shall verify and document the following:</p> <p>(a) The individual has a primary licensed physician;</p> <p>(b) The individual receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as specified by a licensed physician;</p> <p>(c) The individual receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as specified by a licensed dentist;</p> <p>(d) The individual receives eye examinations as specified by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist; and</p> <p>(e) Agency activities that occur as follow-up to medical appointments (e.g. treatment, visits to specialists, changes in</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ None found 4/2012 - 3/2013 for Haloperidol 2mg (#7)</li> <li>◦ None found 4/2012 - 3/2013 for Seroquel 200mg (#7)</li> <li>◦ None found 4/2012 - 3/2013 for Chlorpromazine 100mg (#7)</li> <li>◦ None found 4/2012 - 3/2013 for Risperidone 3mg (#7)</li> <li>◦ None found 4/2012 - 3/2013 for Risperdal 1mg (#8)</li> <li>◦ None found 4/2012 - 3/2013 for Trileptal 300mg (#8)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Echocardiogram</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #5 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, the exam was completed on 2/19/2010. Follow-up was to be completed in 2 years. No evidence of follow-up found.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>medication or daily routine).</p> <p><b>NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:</b> A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past.</p> <p><b>B. Documentation of test results:</b> Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment.</p>			
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unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures shall address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding.



<p>to fully disclose the extent of the services provided to the Medicaid recipient. Services that have been billed to Medicaid, but are not substantiated in a treatment plan and/or patient records for the recipient are subject to recoupment.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007  <b>CHAPTER 5 XVI. REIMBURSEMENT</b>  <b>A. Billable Unit.</b> A billable unit for Adult Habilitation Services is in 15-minute increments hour. The rate is based on the individual's level of care.</p> <p><b>B. Billable Activities</b>  (1) The Community Inclusion Provider Agency can bill for those activities listed and described on the ISP and within the Scope of Service. Partial units are allowable. Billable units are face-to-face, except that Adult Habilitation services may be non- face-to-face under the following conditions: (a) Time that is non face-to-face is documented separately and clearly identified as to the nature of the activity; and(b) Non face-to-face hours do not exceed 5% of the monthly billable hours.</p> <p>(2) Adult Habilitation Services can be provided with any other services, insofar as the services are not reported for the same hours on the same day, except that Therapy Services and Case Management may be provided and billed for the same hours</p>			
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Date: August 7, 2013

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Service Surveyed: Community Living Supports (Family Living, Independent Living) and Community Inclusion Supports (Adult Habilitation, Community Access)  
Survey Type: Routine

Dear Ms. Anderson;

The Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau has received, reviewed and approved the supporting documents you submitted for your Plan of Correction. The documents you provided verified that all previously cited survey Deficiencies have been corrected.

**The Plan of Correction process is now complete.**

**Furthermore, your agency is now determined to be in Compliance with all Conditions of Participation.**

To maintain ongoing compliance with standards and regulations, continue to use the Quality Assurance (self-auditing) processes you described in your Plan of Correction.

Consistent use of these Quality Assurance processes will enable you to identify and promptly respond to problems, enhance your service delivery, and result in fewer deficiencies cited in future QMB surveys.

Thank you for your cooperation with the Plan of Correction process, for striving to come into compliance with standards and regulations, and for helping to provide for the health, safety and personal growth of the people you serve.

Sincerely,



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