
Date: June 3, 2014

To: Chandra Baker, Director

Provider: Links of Life, LLC
Address: 125 W. Mountain
State/Zip: Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005

E-mail Address: linksoflife@comcast.net

CC: Mario Aguilar, Board Chair

Board Chair
E-Mail Address: linksoflife@comcast.net

Region: Southwest
Survey Date: April 14 – 16, 2014
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed: **2012: Living Supports (Supported Living) and Inclusion Supports (Customized Community Supports)**

Team Leader: Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Team Members: Amanda Castaneda, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau and Florence Mulheron, BA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Ms. Baker;

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:

Partial Compliance with Conditions of Participation

This determination is based on non compliance with one or more CMS waiver assurances at the Condition of Participation level as well as Standard level deficiencies identified in the attached QMB Report of Findings and requires implementation of a Plan of Correction.

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The following tags are identified as Condition of Participation Level Deficiencies:

- Tag #1A31 Client Rights/Human Rights
- Tag #1A32 and LS14/6L14 Individual Service Plan Implementation

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 Anthony Fragua at 505-231-7436 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,

Deb Russell, BS

Deb Russell, BS
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
Division of Health Improvement
Quality Management Bureau

Survey Process Employed:

Entrance Conference Date: April 14, 2014

Present: **Links of Life, LLC**
Chandra Baker, Director

DOH/DHI/QMB

Deb Russell, BS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
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Exit Conference Date: April 16, 2014

Present: **Links of Life, LLC**
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DDSD - Southwest Regional Office

Gina Caruthers, Regional Office Manager

Administrative Locations Visited Number: 1

Total Sample Size Number: 6

0 - *Jackson* Class Members
6 - Non-*Jackson* Class Members
6 - Supported Living
6 - Customized Community Supports

Total Homes Visited Number: 5

❖ Supported Living Homes Visited Number: 5

Persons Served Records Reviewed Number: 6

Persons Served Interviewed Number: 6

Direct Support Personnel Interviewed Number: 9

Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed Number: 48

Service Coordinator Records Reviewed Number: 2

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

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- 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 / General Events Reports
- 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 deficiencies and non-compliance.

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

If you have questions about the Plan of Correction process, call the Plan of Correction Coordinator at 505-231-7436 or email at Anthony.Fragua@state.nm.us. Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your Regional DDSD 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 six required Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) core elements to address each deficiency cited in the Report of Findings:

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 Plan of Correction:

- 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, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Reporting, and Individual-Specific service requirements, etc;
- How accuracy in Billing/Reimbursement documentation is assured;
- How health, safety is assured;
- For Case Management Providers, how Individual Specific Plans 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 indicators; 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 POC Coordinator, Anthony Fragua at 505-231-7436 for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your Regional DDSD Office.
4. Submit your POC to Anthony Fragua, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
 - a. Electronically at Anthony.Fragua@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 “approved” 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.
 - e. Please note that all POC correspondence will be sent electronically unless otherwise requested.
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. It is preferred that you submit your documents via USPS or other carrier (scanned and saved to CD/DVD disc, flash drive, etc.). If the documents do not contain protected Health information (PHI) the preferred method is that you submit your documents 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 DDS 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. When billing deficiencies are cited, you must provide documentation to justify billing and/or void and adjust forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC. for the deficiencies cited in the Report of Findings. In addition to this, we ask that you submit:
 - Evidence of an internal audit of billing/reimbursement conducted for a sample of individuals and timeframes of your choosing to verify POC implementation;
 - Copies of “void and adjust” forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC. to correct all unjustified units identified and submitted for payment 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 Plan of Correction Coordinator, 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, Crystal Lopez-Beck at crystal.lopez-beck@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: Links of Life, LLC - Southwest Region
Program: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service: 2012: Living Supports (Supported Living) and Inclusion Supports (Customized Community Supports)
Monitoring Type: Routine Survey
Survey Date: April 14 – 16, 2014

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Service Plans: ISP Implementation – Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.			
Tag # 1A32 and LS14 / 6L14 Individual Service Plan Implementation	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency		
<p>NMAC 7.26.5.16.C and D Development of the ISP. Implementation of the ISP. 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. It is the policy of the developmental disabilities</p>	<p>After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur.</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 5 of 6 individuals.</p> <p>As indicated by Individuals ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes:</p> <p>Administrative Files Reviewed:</p> <p>Supported Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</p> <p>Individual #1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "With Assistance will go to store and pick up items" for 1/2014 - 3/2014. 	<p>Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p>Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: “With assistance will take pictures at events” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: “With assistance will make picture album” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. <p>Individual #2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will track spending” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. <p>Individual #4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will choose recipe/get needed items” for 2/2014. • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will prepare recipe” for 2/2014. <p>Individual #5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will research various groups to join” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will attend group meetings” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will participate in group or one to one discussions as a peer mentor” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: “Will explore different team options” for 1/2014 - 		
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	<p>3/2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: “Will join a team” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: “Will participate/compete in tournament” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. <p>Individual #6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will choose recipe to prepare/get needed items” for 12/2013 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: “Will prepare” for 12/2013 - 3/2014. • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: “Will work on writing/ practicing songs” for 12/2013 - 3/2014. <p>Customized Community Supports Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</p> <p>Individual #1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome/Action Step: “Will work on reading skills” for 1/2014 - 3/2014. <p>Individual #6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome/Action Step: “Will work on reading” for 12/2013 - 3/2014. 		
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	<p>Residential Files Reviewed:</p> <p>Supported Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</p> <p>Individual #1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "With Assistance will go to store and pick up items" for 4/1 - 11, 2014. Action step is to be completed weekly. <p>Individual #2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "Will track spending" for 4/1 - 11, 2014. Action step is to be completed weekly. • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: "Will save money from each paycheck" for 4/1 - 11, 2014. Action step is to be completed weekly. <p>Individual #6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "Will choose recipe to prepare/get needed items" for 4/1 - 11, 2014. Action step is to be completed weekly. • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "Will prepare" for 4/1 - 11, 2014. Action step is to be completed weekly. • None found regarding: Have Fun/Develop Relationships Outcome/Action Step: "Will work on writing/ practicing songs" for 4/1 - 11, 2014. Action step is to be completed 3 times per week. 		
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<p>input need to be made (e.g., adding more hours to the Community Integrated Employment budget);</p> <p>b. Written annual updates to the ISP work/learn action plan to DDSD;</p> <p>2.VAP to the case manager if completed externally to the ISP;</p> <p>3.Initial ISP reflecting the Vocational Assessment or the annual ISP with the updated VAP integrated or a copy of an external VAP if one was completed to DDSD;</p> <p>4.Quarterly Community Integrated Employment Wage and Hour Reports for individuals employed and in job development to DDSD based on the DDSD fiscal year; and</p> <p>a. Data related to the requirements of the Performance Contract to DDSD quarterly.</p> <p>CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements: H. Reporting Requirements: The Customized Community Supports Provider Agency shall submit the following:</p> <p>1.Semi-annual progress reports one hundred ninety (190) days following the date of the annual ISP, and 14 days prior to the annual IDT meeting:</p> <p>a. Identification of and implementation of a Meaningful Day definition for each person served;</p> <p>b. Documentation for each date of service delivery summarizing the following:</p> <p>i.Choice based options offered throughout the day; and</p> <p>ii.Progress toward outcomes using age</p>			
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<p>appropriate strategies specified in each individual's action steps in the ISP, and associated support plans/WDSI.</p> <p>c. Record of personally meaningful community inclusion activities; and</p> <p>d. Written updates, to the ISP Work/Learn Action Plan annually or as necessary due to change in work goals. These updates do not require an IDT meeting unless changes requiring team input need to be made.</p> <p>e. Data related to the requirements of the Performance Contract to DDSD quarterly.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p>CHAPTER 5 IV. COMMUNITY INCLUSION SERVICES PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</p> <p>E. Provider Agency Reporting Requirements: All Community Inclusion Provider Agencies are required to submit written quarterly status reports to the individual's Case Manager no later than fourteen (14) calendar days following the end of each quarter. In addition to reporting required by specific Community Access, Supported Employment, and Adult Habilitation Standards, the quarterly reports shall contain the following written documentation:</p> <p>(1) Identification and implementation of a meaningful day definition for each person served;</p> <p>(2) Documentation summarizing the following:</p> <p>(a) Daily choice-based options; and</p> <p>(b) Daily progress toward goals using age-appropriate strategies specified in each individual's action plan in the ISP.</p> <p>(3) Significant changes in the individual's</p>			
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<p>routine or staffing;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(4) Unusual or significant life events;(5) Quarterly updates on health status, including changes in medication, assistive technology needs and durable medical equipment needs;(6) Record of personally meaningful community inclusion;(7) Success of supports as measured by whether or not the person makes progress toward his or her desired outcomes as identified in the ISP; and(8) Any additional reporting required by DDSD.			
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<p>short term stays, including any treatment provided;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Progress notes written by DSP and nurses; j. Documentation and data collection related to ISP implementation; k. Medicaid card; l. Salud membership card or Medicare card as applicable; and m. A Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) document and/or Advanced Directives as applicable. <p>DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director's Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012</p> <p>III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications:</p> <p>A. All case management, living supports, customized in-home supports, community integrated employment and customized community supports providers must maintain records for individuals served through DD Waiver in accordance with the Individual Case File Matrix incorporated in this director's release.</p> <p>H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system.</p> <p><i>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</i></p> <p>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</p> <p>A. Residence Case File: For individuals receiving Supported Living or Family Living, the Agency shall maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. For individuals receiving Independent Living Services, rather than maintaining this file at the individual's home, the complete and current confidential case file for each individual shall be maintained at the agency's administrative site. Each file shall include the following:</p>			
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<p>(1) Complete and current ISP and all supplemental plans specific to the individual;</p> <p>(2) Complete and current Health Assessment Tool;</p> <p>(3) Current emergency contact information, which includes the individual's address, telephone number, names and telephone numbers of residential Community Living Support providers, relatives, or guardian or conservator, primary care physician's name(s) and telephone number(s), pharmacy name, address and telephone number and dentist name, address and telephone number, and health plan;</p> <p>(4) Up-to-date progress notes, signed and dated by the person making the note for at least the past month (older notes may be transferred to the agency office);</p> <p>(5) Data collected to document ISP Action Plan 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"> (a) The name of the individual; (b) A transcription of the healthcare practitioners prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication; (c) Diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed; (d) Dosage, frequency and method/route of delivery; (e) Times and dates of delivery; (f) Initials of person administering or assisting 			
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<p>with medication; and</p> <p>(g) An explanation of any medication irregularity, allergic reaction or adverse effect.</p> <p>(h) For PRN medication an explanation for the use of the PRN must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and (ii) Documentation of the effectiveness/result of the PRN delivered. <p>(i) A MAR is not required for individuals participating in Independent Living Services who self-administer their own medication. However, when medication administration 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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Tag # LS17 / 6L17 Reporting Requirements (Community Living Reports)	Standard Level Deficiency		
<p>7.26.5.17 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - DISSEMINATION OF THE ISP, DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE:</p> <p>C. Objective quantifiable data reporting progress or lack of progress towards stated outcomes, and action plans shall be maintained in the individual's records at each provider agency implementing the ISP. Provider agencies shall use this data to evaluate the effectiveness of services provided. Provider agencies shall submit to the case manager data reports and individual progress summaries quarterly, or more frequently, as decided by the IDT. These reports shall be included in the individual's case management record, and used by the team to determine the ongoing effectiveness of the supports and services being provided. Determination of effectiveness shall result in timely modification of supports and services as needed.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Living Supports- Family Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements: 1. Semi-Annual Reports: Family Living Provider must submit written semi-annual status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than one hundred ninety (190) calendar days after the ISP effective date. When reports are developed in any other language than English, it is the responsibility of the provider to translate the reports into English. The semi-annual reports must contain the following written</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not complete written status reports for 2 of 6 individuals receiving Living Services.</p> <p>Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, and/or incomplete:</p> <p>Supported Living Semi-Annual Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual #2 - None found for 1/2014 – 2/2014. Report covered 9/2013 – 12/2013. (Term of ISP 9/2013 - 9/2014). Per regulations reports must coincide with ISP term) <p>Support Living Annual Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual #2 - None found for 9/2012 – 9/2013. • Individual #4 - None found for 1/2013 – 1/2014. 	<p>Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p>Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Name of individual and date on each page; b. Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans; c. Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the past six month; d. Significant changes in routine or staffing; e. Unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health condition; f. Data reports as determined by IDT members; and g. Signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the reports. <p>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Living Supports- Supported Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements:</p> <p>1. Semi-Annual Reports: Supported Living providers must submit written semi-annual status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than one hundred ninety (190) calendar days after the ISP effective date. When reports are developed in any other language than English, it is the responsibility of the provider to translate the reports into English. The semi-annual reports must contain the following written documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Name of individual and date on each page; b. Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans; 			
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<p>c. Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the past six (6) months;</p> <p>d. Significant changes in routine or staffing;</p> <p>e. Unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health condition;</p> <p>f. Data reports as determined by IDT members; and</p> <p>g. Signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the reports.</p> <p>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 3. Agency Requirements: F. Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Program:</p> <p>4. Intensive Medical Living Services providers shall submit a written semi-annual (non-nursing) status report to the individual's case manager and other IDT members no later than the one hundred ninetieth (190th) day following ISP effective date. These semi-annual status reports shall contain at least the following information:</p> <p>a. Status of completion of ISP Action Plans and associated support plans and/or WDSI;</p> <p>b. Progress towards desired outcomes;</p> <p>c. Significant changes in routine or staffing;</p> <p>d. Unusual or significant life events; and</p> <p>e. Data reports as determined by the IDT members;</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p>			
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<p>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS D. Community Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements: All Community Living Support providers shall submit written quarterly status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than fourteen (14) days following the end of each ISP quarter. The quarterly reports shall contain the following written documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans (2) Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the quarter; (3) Significant changes in routine or staffing; (4) Unusual or significant life events; (5) Updates on health status, including medication and durable medical equipment needs identified during the quarter; and (6) Data reports as determined by IDT members. 			
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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Qualified Providers – <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>			
Tag # 1A11.1 Transportation Training	Standard Level Deficiency		
<p>Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy Eff. Date: March 1, 2007</p> <p>II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</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"> 1. Operating a fire extinguisher 2. Proper lifting procedures 3. General vehicle safety precautions (e.g., pre-trip inspection, removing keys from the ignition when not in the driver's seat) 4. Assisting passengers with cognitive and/or 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) 5. Operating wheelchair lifts (if applicable to the staff's role) 6. Wheelchair tie-down procedures (if applicable to the staff's role) 7. Emergency and evacuation procedures (e.g., roadside emergency, fire emergency) <p>NMAC 7.9.2 F. TRANSPORTATION: (1) Any employee or agent of a regulated facility or agency who is responsible for assisting a resident in boarding or alighting from a motor vehicle must complete a state-approved training</p>	<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 3 of 48 Direct Support Personnel.</p> <p>When DSP were asked if they had received transportation training including agency policy and procedure and individual safety the following was reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSP #206 stated, "No I have not." • DSP #244 stated, "Not with this company." <p>When DSP were asked if they had received transportation training including defensive driving the following was reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSP #241 stated, "No." 	<p>Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p>Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>program in passenger transportation assistance before assisting any resident. The passenger transportation assistance program shall be comprised of but not limited to the following elements: resident assessment, emergency procedures, supervised practice in the safe operation of equipment, familiarity with state regulations governing the transportation of persons with disabilities, and a method for determining and documenting successful completion of the course. The course requirements above are examples and may be modified as needed.</p> <p>(2) Any employee or agent of a regulated facility or agency who drives a motor vehicle provided by the facility or agency for use in the transportation of clients must complete:</p> <p>(a) A state approved training program in passenger assistance and</p> <p>(b) A state approved training program in the operation of a motor vehicle to transport clients of a regulated facility or agency. The motor vehicle transportation assistance program shall be comprised of but not limited to the following elements: resident assessment, emergency procedures, supervised practice in the safe operation of motor vehicles, familiarity with state regulations governing the transportation of persons with disabilities, maintenance and safety record keeping, training on hazardous driving conditions and a method for determining and documenting successful completion of the course. The course requirements above are examples and may be modified as needed.</p> <p>(c) A valid New Mexico drivers license for the type of vehicle being operated consistent with State of New Mexico requirements.</p> <p>(3) Each regulated facility and agency shall establish and enforce written policies (including training) and procedures for employees who provide assistance to clients with boarding or alighting from motor vehicles.</p> <p>(4) Each regulated facility and agency shall establish and enforce written policies (including</p>			
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<p>training and procedures for employees who operate motor vehicles to transport clients.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p>CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements G. Training Requirements: 1. All Community Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDS policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy.</p> <p>CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements F. Meet all training requirements as follows: 1. All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDS Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy;</p> <p>CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements C. Training Requirements: The Provider Agency must report required personnel training status to the DDS Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDS Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDS Training Requirements Policy. The Provider Agency must ensure that the personnel support staff have completed training as specified in the DDS Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy</p> <p>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Family Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</p> <p>A. All Family Living Provider agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff policy. DSP's or subcontractors delivering substitute care under Family Living must at a minimum comply with the section of the training policy that relates to Respite, Substitute Care, and personal support staff [Policy T-003: for Training</p>			
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<p>Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff; Sec. II-J, Items 1-4]. Pursuant to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Family Living Provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements.</p> <p>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Supported Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</p> <p>A. All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff. Pursuant to CMS requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Supported Living provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements.</p> <p>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) R. 2. Service Requirements. Staff Qualifications 2. DSP Qualifications. E. Complete training requirements as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff - effective March 1, 2007. Report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy;</p>			
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<p>Requirements.</p> <p>B. Individual specific training must be arranged and conducted, including training on the Individual Service Plan outcomes, actions steps and strategies and associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP etc), information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERPs, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Family Living providers must notify the relevant support plan author whenever a new DSP is assigned to work with an individual, and therefore needs to receive training, or when an existing DSP requires a refresher. The individual should be present for and involved in individual specific training whenever possible.</p> <p>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Supported Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</p> <p>A. All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff. Pursuant to CMS requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Supported Living provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements.</p> <p>B Individual specific training must be arranged</p>			
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<p>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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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<p>Service Domain: Health and Welfare – 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>Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration</p>	<p>Standard Level Deficiency</p>		
<p>NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS: A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS: (d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting medication administered to residents, including over-the-counter medications. This documentation shall include: (i) Name of resident; (ii) Date given; (iii) Drug product name; (iv) Dosage and form; (v) Strength of drug; (vi) Route of administration; (vii) How often medication is to be taken; (viii) Time taken and staff initials; (ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed; (x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications.</p> <p>Model Custodial Procedure Manual D. Administration of Drugs 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</p>	<p>Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of March and April 2014.</p> <p>Based on record review, 5 of 6 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors:</p> <p>Individual #1 March 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the dosage for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propanolol 20mg • Diazepam 10mg • Divalproex 500mg • Tamazipam 30mg • Ziprazidine 60mg <p>April 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the dosage for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propanolol 20mg • Diazepam 10mg 	<p>Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p>Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ symptoms that indicate the use of the medication, ➤ exact dosage to be used, and ➤ the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period. <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p>CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 1. Scope of Service B. Self Employment 8. Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; C. Individual Community Integrated Employment 3. Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; D. Group Community Integrated Employment 4. Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; and</p> <p>B. Community Integrated Employment Agency Staffing Requirements: o. Comply with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures;</p> <p>CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 1. Scope of Services A. Individualized Customized Community Supports 19. Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. C. Small Group Customized Community Supports 19. Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. D. Group Customized Community Supports 19. Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy.</p> <p>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES A. Living Supports- Family Living Services:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divalproex 500mg • Tamazipam 30mg • Ziprazidine 60mg <p>Individual #2 March 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the dosage for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propanol 10mg • Atorvastatin 10mg • Sertraline 100mg • Melatonin 30mg <p>April 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the dosage for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propanol 10mg • Atorvastatin 10mg • Sertraline 100mg • Melatonin 30mg • Olanzapine 20mg <p>Individual #4 March 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the dosage for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abilify 20mg 		
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<p>The scope of Family Living Services includes, but is not limited to the following as identified by the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT):</p> <p>19. Assisting in medication delivery, and related monitoring, in accordance with the DDSD's Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy regulations including skill development activities leading to the ability for individuals to self-administer medication as appropriate; and</p> <p>I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living.</p> <p>3. B. Adult Nursing Services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Lining Supports- Family Living direct support personnel if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. Adult Nursing services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Family Living Direct Support Personnel (including substitute care), if the individual has regularly scheduled medication.</p> <p>6. Support Living- Family Living Provider Agencies must 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 New Mexico Nurse Practice Act and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>a. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations;</p> <p>b. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:</p> <p>i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baclofen 10mg • Divalproex 500mg • Doxazosin 1mg • Lamotrigine 200mg • Omeprazole 20mg • Verapamil 120mg <p>Medication Administration Records did not contain the frequency of medication to be given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poixettl 3.350 <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"> • Poixettl 3.350 <p>Medication Administration Records did not contain the route of administration for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carafate 1Gm/10ml (4 times daily) <p>April 2014</p> <p>Medication Administration Records did not contain the diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levothyroxin 50mg (1 time daily) • Omeprozole 20mg (1 time daily) • Divalproex 500mg (1 time daily) 8:00 AM • Divalproex 500mg (1 time daily) 8:00 PM 		
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<p>provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</p> <p>iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery;</p> <p>iv. Explanation of any medication error;</p> <p>v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p> <p>vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>c. The Family Living Provider Agency must 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; and</p> <p>d. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.</p> <p>e. Medication Oversight is optional if the individual resides with their biological family (by affinity or consanguinity). If Medication Oversight is not selected as an Ongoing Nursing Service, all elements of medication administration and oversight are the sole responsibility of the individual and their biological family. Therefore, a monthly medication administration record (MAR) is</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clonazepam 5mg (3 times daily) • Clonazepam 2mg (3 times daily) <p>Individual #5 March 2014 According to the Physician's Orders, Olazapine 10mg is to be taken qHS. As indicated by the Medication Administration Records Olazapine 10mg is administered at 8:00 AM. Medication Administration Record and Physician's Orders do not match.</p> <p>April 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the dosage for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buspirone 15mg • Benztropine 1mg • Certavite • Olazapine 10mg • Omeprazole 40mg • Quetiapine 200mg <p>According to the Physician's Orders, Olazapine 10mg is to be taken qHS. As indicated by the Medication Administration Records Olazapine 10mg is administered at 8:00 AM. Medication Administration Record and Physician's Orders do not match.</p> <p>Individual #6 March 2014 Medication Administration Records did not</p>		
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<p>not required unless the family requests it and continually communicates all medication changes to the provider agency in a timely manner to insure accuracy of the MAR.</p> <p>i. The family must communicate at least annually and as needed for significant change of condition with the agency nurse regarding the current medications and the individual's response to medications for purpose of accurately completing required nursing assessments.</p> <p>ii. As per the DDS Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedure, paid DSP who are not related by affinity or consanguinity to the individual may not deliver medications to the individual unless they have completed Assisting with Medication Delivery (AWMD) training. DSP may also be under a delegation relationship with a DDW agency nurse or be a Certified Medication Aide (CMA). Where CMAs are used, the agency is responsible for maintaining compliance with New Mexico Board of Nursing requirements.</p> <p>iii. If the substitute care provider is a surrogate (not related by affinity or consanguinity) Medication Oversight must be selected and provided.</p> <p>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 2. Service Requirements L. Training and Requirements: 3. Medication Delivery: Supported Living Provider Agencies must 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, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>h. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home</p>	<p>contain the strength of the medication which is to be given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divalproex (2 times daily) <p>April 2014 Medication Administration Records did not contain the diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cetirizine 10mg (1 time daily) • Divalproex 500mg (1 time daily) • Lorazepam 1mg (3 times daily) • Pristiq 100mg (1 time daily) • Propranole 60mg (1 time daily) • Quetiapine 50mg (1 time daily) • Topiramate 50mg (1 time daily) • Vitamin D 400IU (1 time daily) 		
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<p>sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations;</p> <p>i. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed; ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration; iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery; iv. Explanation of any medication error; v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered. <p>j. The Supported Living Provider Agency must 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; and</p>			
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<p>k. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs, and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.</p> <p>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements. B. There must be compliance with all policy requirements for Intensive Medical Living Service Providers, including written policy and procedures regarding medication delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors consistent with the DDSD Medication Delivery Policy and Procedures, relevant Board of Nursing Rules, and Pharmacy Board standards and regulations.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</p> <p>E. Medication Delivery: 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</p>			
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<p>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 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>			
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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>correspondence or other forms of communication utilizing the division's incident report form. The incident report form and 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> <p>(2) Division Incident Report Form and Notification by Community Based Service Providers: The community based service provider shall report incidents utilizing the division's incident report form consistent with the requirements of the division's incident management system guide. The community based service provider shall ensure all incident report forms alleging abuse, neglect or misappropriation of consumer property submitted by a reporter with direct knowledge of an incident are completed on the division's incident report form and received by the division within twenty-four (24) hours of an incident or allegation of an incident or the next business day if the incident occurs on a weekend or a holiday. The community based service provider shall ensure that the reporter with the most direct knowledge of the incident prepares the incident report form.</p>	<p>Surveyors observed a sign stating, "If client is not home on 'there' schedule time then they miss out and staff watches TV."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the home visit to Individual #6 residence on April 14, 2014 at 4:30 PM, Surveyors observed a sign stating, "Staff Cabinet Client Do Not Touch!!! Staff only" • During the home visit to Individual #6 residence on April 14, 2014 at 4:30 PM, Surveyors observed the windows in Individual #6's bedroom and bathroom fall out and there were cracks in the shower floor. According to the ISP, "Individual #6 needs 24 hours supports to ensure his health and safety due to behavioral challenges that include but are not limited to frequent elopement with law enforcement involvement." <p>As a result of what was observed and reported by Individual the following incident(s) were reported by Surveyors:</p> <p>Individual #1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A State Incident Report of Environmental Hazard was filed on April 16, 2014. Incident report was reported to DHI. <p>Individual #2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A State Incident Report of Abuse was filed on April 16, 2014. Incident report was reported to APS and DHI. <p>Individual #5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A State Incident Report of Abuse was filed on April 16, 2014. Incident report was reported to APS and DHI. • A State Incident Report of Environmental 		
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	<p>Hazard was filed on April 16, 2014. Incident report was reported to DHI.</p> <p>Individual #6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A State Incident Report of Environmental Hazard, Abuse and Exploitation was filed on April 16, 2014. Incident report was reported to APS and DHI.		
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<p>Requirements Eff Date: March 1, 2003</p> <p>IV. POLICY STATEMENT - Human Rights Committees are required for residential service provider agencies. The purpose of these committees with respect to the provision of Behavior Supports is to review and monitor the implementation of certain Behavior Support Plans.</p> <p>Human Rights Committees may not approve any of the interventions specifically prohibited in the following policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aversive Intervention Prohibitions • Psychotropic Medications Use • Behavioral Support Service Provision. <p>A Human Rights Committee may also serve other agency functions as appropriate, such as the review of internal policies on sexuality and incident management follow-up.</p> <p>A. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE ROLE IN BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS</p> <p>Only those Behavior Support Plans with an aversive intervention included as part of the plan or associated Crisis Intervention Plan need to be reviewed prior to implementation. Plans not containing aversive interventions do not require Human Rights Committee review or approval.</p> <p>2. The Human Rights Committee will determine and adopt a written policy stating the frequency and purpose of meetings. Behavior Support Plans approved by the Human Rights Committee will be reviewed at least quarterly.</p> <p>3. Records, including minutes of all meetings will be retained at the agency with primary responsibility for implementation for at least five years from the completion of each</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Not allowed to go to Best Buy, Radio Shack, Barnes & Noble and Verizon.” (Individual #2) • “Not allowed to go to Pic Quik.” • “Not allowed to have or purchase pornographic or wrestling material.” (Individual #2) • “Television is to be turned off at 10:00 PM.” (Individual #2) • “Not allowed to have a computer or laptop.” (Individual #2) • “All mail is forwarded to the office.” (Individual #2) • “Back pack is to be searched to and from day hab.” (Individual #2) • “The winnings from lottery ticket needs to be turned in -- Individual is allowed to keep \$10.00.” (Individual #2) • “The camera is to be kept locked up.” (Individual #2) • “Sensors needs to be placed on the bedroom windows.” (Individual #2) 		
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individual's Individual Service Plan.

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Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) -
Procedure Title:**

**Medication Assessment and Delivery
Procedure Eff Date: November 1, 2006**

B. 1. e. If the PRN medication is to be used in response to psychiatric and/or behavioral symptoms in addition to the above requirements, obtain current written consent from the individual, guardian or surrogate health decision maker and submit for review by the agency's Human Rights Committee (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>REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY LIVING</p> <p>G. Health Care Requirements for Community Living Services.</p> <p>(1) The Community Living Service providers shall ensure completion of a HAT for each individual receiving this service. The HAT shall be completed 2 weeks prior to the annual ISP meeting and submitted to the Case Manager and all other IDT Members. A revised HAT is required to also be submitted whenever the individual's health status changes significantly. For individuals who are newly allocated to the DD Waiver program, the HAT may be completed within 2 weeks following the initial ISP meeting and submitted with any strategies and support plans indicated in the ISP, or within 72 hours following admission into direct services, whichever comes first.</p> <p>(2) Each individual will have a Health Care Coordinator, designated by the IDT. When the individual's HAT score is 4, 5 or 6 the Health Care Coordinator shall be an IDT member, other than the individual. The Health Care Coordinator shall oversee and monitor health care services for the individual in accordance with these standards. In circumstances where no IDT member voluntarily accepts designation as the health care coordinator, the community living provider shall assign a staff member to this role.</p> <p>(3) For each individual receiving Community Living Services, the provider agency shall ensure and document the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Provision of health care oversight consistent with these Standards as detailed in Chapter One section III E: Healthcare Documentation by Nurses For Community Living Services, Community Inclusion Services and Private Duty Nursing Services. b) That each individual with a score of 4, 5, 			
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<p>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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The individual has a primary licensed physician; (b) The individual receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as specified by a licensed physician; (c) The individual receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as specified by a licensed dentist; (d) The individual receives eye examinations as specified by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist; and (e) Agency activities that occur as follow-up to medical appointments (e.g. treatment, visits to specialists, changes in medication or daily routine). 			
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<p>Delivery training or each individual's ISP; and</p> <p>h. Have accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures must address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding.</p> <p>CHAPTER 12 (SL) Living Supports – Supported Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports-Supported Living Services: 1. Supported Living Provider Agencies must assure that each individual's residence is maintained to be clean, safe, and comfortable and accommodates the individual's daily living, social, and leisure activities. In addition the residence must:</p> <p>f. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water, and telephone;</p> <p>g. Provide environmental accommodations and assistive technology devices in the residence including modifications to the bathroom (i.e., shower chairs, grab bars, walk in shower, raised toilets, etc.) based on the unique needs of the individual in consultation with the IDT;</p> <p>h. Ensure water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110° F) ;</p> <p>i. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system;</p> <p>j. Have a general-purpose First Aid kit;</p> <p>k. Allow at a maximum of two (2) individuals to share, with mutual consent, a bedroom and each individual has the right to have his or her</p>	<p>Administration training or each individual's ISP (#2, 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures shall address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding (#1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) <p><i>Note: The following Individuals share a residence:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ 4, 6 		
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<p>own bed;</p> <p>l. Have accessible written documentation of actual evacuation drills occurring at least three (3) times a year. For Supported Living evacuation drills must occur at least once a year during each shift;</p> <p>m. Have accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Delivery training or each individual's ISP; and</p> <p>n. Have accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures must address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding.</p> <p>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements R. Staff Qualifications: 3. Supervisor Qualifications And Requirements: S Each residence shall include operable safety equipment, including but not limited to, an operable smoke detector or sprinkler system, a carbon monoxide detector if any natural gas appliance or heating is used, fire extinguisher, general purpose first aid kit, written procedures for emergency evacuation due to fire or other emergency and documentation of evacuation drills occurring at least annually during each shift, phone number for poison control within line of site of the telephone, basic utilities, general household appliances, kitchen and dining utensils, adequate food and drink for three meals per day, proper food storage, and cleaning supplies.</p> <p>T Each residence shall have a blood borne</p>			
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<p>pathogens kit as applicable to the residents' health status, personal protection equipment, and any ordered or required medical supplies shall also be available in the home.</p> <p>U If not medically contraindicated, and with mutual consent, up to two (2) individuals may share a single bedroom. Each individual shall have their own bed. All bedrooms shall have doors that may be closed for privacy. Individuals have the right to decorate their bedroom in a style of their choosing consistent with safe and sanitary living conditions.</p> <p>V For residences with more than two (2) residents, there shall be at least two (2) bathrooms. Toilets, tubs/showers used by the individuals shall provide for privacy and be designed or adapted for the safe provision of personal care. Water temperature shall be maintained at a safe level to prevent injury and ensure comfort and shall not exceed one hundred ten (110) degrees.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS L. Residence Requirements for Family Living Services and Supported Living Services</p>			
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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<p>Service Domain: Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement – <i>State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver.</i></p>			
<p>TAG #1A12 All Services Reimbursement (No Deficiencies Found)</p>			
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 Chapter 1. III. PROVIDER AGENCY DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY AND LOCATION</p> <p>B. Billable Units: The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record that is prepared prior to a request for reimbursement from the HSD. For each unit billed, the record shall contain the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval; (2) A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and (3) The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service. <p>Billing for Living Supports (Supported Living) and Inclusion Supports (Customized Community Supports) services was reviewed for 6 of 6 individuals. <i>Progress notes and billing records supported billing activities for the months of January, February and March 2014.</i></p>			

Date: September 5, 2014

To: Chandra Baker, Director

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Region: Southwest
Survey Date: April 14 – 16, 2014
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed: **2012: Living Supports (Supported Living) and Inclusion Supports (Customized Community Supports)**
Survey Type: Routine

Dear Ms. Baker:

The Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau received and reviewed the documents you submitted for your Plan of Correction. Your Plan of Correction is not closed.

Your Plan of Correction will be considered for closure when a Verification survey confirms that you have corrected all survey deficiencies and sustained all corrections.

The Quality Management Bureau will be need to conduct a verification survey to ensure previously cited deficiencies have been corrected and that systemic Quality Improvement and Quality Assurance processes have been effective at sustaining corrections.

If the Verification survey determines survey deficiencies have been corrected and corrective measures have effectively maintained compliance with DDW Standards, your Plan of Correction will be considered for closure.

If the Verification survey identifies repeat deficiencies, your case will be referred to the Internal Review Committee for discussion of possible civil monetary penalties possible monetary fines and/or other sanctions

Thank you for your cooperation with the Plan of Correction process.

Sincerely,

Tony Fragua

Tony Fragua
Plan of Correction Coordinator
Quality Management Bureau/DHI

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