

Date:	January 24, 2018
To: Provider: Address: State/Zip:	Paul Gallegos, Executive Director Life Mission Family Services Corp. 2929 Coors Blvd. NW, Suite 306 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120
E-mail Address:	paul@lifemissionfs.com; ivan@lifemissionfs.com
Region: Survey Date: Program Surveyed:	Metro Region November 3 - 8, 2017 Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed:	2007: Supported Living 2012: Supporting Living, Family Living
Survey Type:	Routine Survey
Team Leader:	Barbara Kane, BAS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau
Team Members:	Debbie Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Jerid Ortiz, AAS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Paul Gallegos;

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

Determination of Compliance:

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

Compliance with all Conditions of Participation

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

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

DIVISION OF HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

5301 Central Avenue NE, Suite 400 • Albuquerque, New Mexico • 87108 (505) 222-8623 • FAX: (505) 222-8661 • <u>http://www.dhi.health.state.nm.us</u>



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.

During the exit interview of your on-site survey Attachment A on the Plan of Correction Process was provided to you. Please refer to Attachment A for specific instruction on completing your Plan of Correction. At a minimum your Plan of Correction should address the following for each Tag cited:

Corrective Action:

• How is the deficiency going to be corrected? (i.e. obtained documents, retrain staff, individuals and/or staff no longer in service, void/adjusts completed, etc.) This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction, i.e. all documents will be requested and filed as appropriate.

On-going Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Processes:

- What is going to be done? (i.e. file reviews, periodic check with checklist, etc.)
- How many individuals is this going to effect? (i.e. percentage of individuals reviewed, number of files reviewed, etc.)
- How often will this be completed? (i.e. weekly, monthly, quarterly, etc.)
- Who is responsible? (responsible position)
- What steps will be taken if issues are found? (i.e. retraining, requesting documents, filing RORI, etc.)

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: Amanda Castaneda, Plan of Correction Coordinator 1170 North Solano Suite D Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001

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.

Billing Deficiencies:

If you have deficiencies noted in this report of findings under the Service Domain: Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement, you must complete a Void/Adjust claims or remit the identified overpayment via a check within 30 calendar days of the date of this letter to HSD/OIG/PIU, though this is not the preferred method of payment. If you choose to pay via check, please include a copy of this letter with the payment. Make the check payable to the New Mexico Human Services Department and mail to:

Attention: Lisa Medina-Lujan HSD/OIG Program Integrity Unit 2025 S. Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Or if using UPS, FedEx, DHL (courier mail) send to physical address at:

Attention: Lisa Medina-Lujan HSD/OIG Program Integrity Unit 1474 Rodeo Road Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Please be advised that there is a one-week lag period for applying payments received by check to Voided/Adjusted claims. During this lag period, your other claim payments may be applied to the amount you owe even though you have sent a refund, reducing your payment amount. For this reason, we recommend that you allow the system to recover the overpayment instead of sending in a check.

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 Amanda Castaneda at 575-373-5716 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,

Barbara Kane, BAS

Barbara Kane, BAS Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Division of Health Improvement Quality Management Bureau

Survey Process Employed:	
Survey Frocess Employed.	
Administrative Review Start Date:	November 03, 2017
Contact:	Life Mission Family Services Corp. Ivan Gallegos, Executive Director
	DOH/DHI/QMB Barbara Kane, BAS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
Entrance Conference Date:	November 06, 2017
Present:	Life Mission Family Services Corp. Ivan Gallegos, Executive Director Ignacio Perez, Quality Assurance Consultant / Incident Management Coordinator Rebecca Sanchez, Service Coordinator / Direct Support Personnel Daniela Triana, Direct Service Personnel Nubia Trejo, Service Coordinator
	DOH/DHI/QMB Barbara Kane, BAS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Jerid Ortiz, AAS, Healthcare Surveyor
Exit Conference Date:	November 08, 2017
Present:	<u>Life Mission Family Services Corp.</u> Ivan Gallegos, Executive Director Ignacio Perez, Quality Assurance Consultant / Incident Management Coordinator Nubia Trejo, Service Coordinator
	DOH/DHI/QMB Barbara Kane, BAS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Debbie Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor
Administrative Locations Visited	1
Total Sample Size	7
	2 - <i>Jackson</i> Class Members 5 - Non- <i>Jackson</i> Class Members
	6 - Supported Living 1 - Family Living
Total Homes Visited	5
 Supported Living Homes Visited 	4
	Note: The following Individuals share a SL residence:
	> #2, 3
 Family Living Homes Visited 	1

Persons Served Records Reviewed	7
Persons Served Interviewed	6
Persons Served Observed	1 (One individual chose not to participate in the interview process)
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed	6 (One Service Coordinator was interviewed as DSP)
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	33
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	3 (Two Service Coordinators perform dual roles as DSP)
Administrative Interviews	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
 - o Healthcare Plans
 - Medication Administration Records
 - o Medical Emergency Response Plans
 - Therapy Evaluations and Plans
 - o 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

MFEAD – NM Attorney General

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 575-373-5716 or email at <u>AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us</u>. 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.

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 must 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, Amanda Castaneda at 575-373-5716 or email at <u>AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us</u> for assistance.
- 3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your Regional DDSD Office.
- 4. Submit your POC to Amanda Castaneda, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
 - a. Electronically at <u>AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us</u> (preferred method)
 - b. Fax to 575-528-5019, or
 - c. Mail to POC Coordinator, 1170 North Solano Ste D, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001
- 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 <u>must be annotated</u>; please be sure the tag numbers and Identification numbers are indicated on each document submitted. Documents which are not annotated with the Tag number and Identification number may not be accepted.
- 4. Do not submit original documents; Please provide copies or scanned electronic files for evidence. Originals must be maintained in the agency file(s) per DDSD Standards.
- 5. In lieu of some documents, you may submit copies of file or home audit forms that clearly indicate cited deficiencies have been corrected, other attestations of correction must be approved by the Plan of Correction Coordinator prior to their submission.
- 6. 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.

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.

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 the following Service Domains.

Case Management Services (Four Service Domains):

- Plan of Care: ISP Development & Monitoring
- Level of Care
- Qualified Providers
- Health, Safety and Welfare

Community Living Supports / Inclusion Supports (Three Service Domains):

- Service Plans: ISP Implementation
- Qualified Provider
- Health, Safety and Welfare

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: Plan of Care ISP Development & Monitoring

Condition of Participation:

1. 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:

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

Service Domain: Level of Care

Condition of Participation:

3. 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.

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: Service Plan: ISP Implementation

Condition of Participation:

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

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. 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 <u>repeat</u> 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 and/or 6 or more Condition of Participation level deficiencies overall, as well as widespread Standard level deficiencies identified in the attached QMB Report of Findings and requires implementation of a Plan of Correction.

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 <u>repeat</u> 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.

Attachment C

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 <u>within 10 business days</u> 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: <u>http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/qmb</u>
- 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 IRF process, email the IRF Chairperson, Crystal Lopez-Beck at <u>Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us</u> 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:	Life Mission Family Services Corp Metro Region
Program:	Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service:	2007: Supported Living
	2012: Supported Living, Family Living
Monitoring Type:	Routine Survey
Survey Date:	November 3 - 8, 2017

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI & Responsible Party	Date Due
•	ation - Services are delivered in accordance with the	he service plan, including type, scope, amount, dura	tion and
frequency specified in the service plan. Tag # 1A32 and LS14 / 6L14 Individual	Standard Level Deficiency		
Service Plan Implementation	Standard Level Denciency		
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.	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 4 of 7 individuals.	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): →	
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	As indicated by Individuals ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes: Administrative Files Reviewed:		
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	 Supported Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes: Individual #1 None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "will plan gathering with staff assistance" for 7/2017 & 9/2017. Action step is to be completed 1 time per month. According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "will plan gathering with staff 	Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	
disabilities division (DDD), that to the extent permitted by funding, each individual receive supports and services that will assist and	assistance" is to be completed 1 time per month. Evidence found indicated it was not		

 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. D. The intent is to provide choice and obtain 	 being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 8/2017. None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "will budget gathering with staff assistance" for 7/2017 & 9/2017. Action step is to be completed 1 time per month. According to the Live Outcome; Action Step 	
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.	for "will budget gathering with staff assistance" is to be completed 1 time per month. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 8/2017.	
[05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01]	 Individual #3 None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "will be given 2 options of chores." for 7/2017 - 9/2017. Action step is to be completed 3 times per week. 	
	 None found regarding: Fun Outcome/Action Step: "will try a new activity weekly" for 7/2017 - 9/2017. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week. 	
	 According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "will make a choice from a list of chores" is to be completed 3 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. 	
	• According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "will complete the chores" is to be completed 3 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017.	

• According to the Fun Outcome; Action Step for "will attend activities weekly" is to be completed 4 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 8/2017.	
 Individual #4 According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "will be verbally prompted to address others by their name" is to be completed daily. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. 	
 Individual #5 According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "Look and focus on 2 options presented" is to be completed 5 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. (<i>Note: Live and Fun Outcome Action Steps were identical.</i>) 	
• According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "Practice indicating his choice by gazing or reaching" is to be completed 5 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. (<i>Note: Live and Fun Outcome Action Steps</i> <i>were identical.</i>)	
• According to the Fun Outcome; Action Step for "Look at and focus on 2 options presented." is to be completed 5 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017.	

	 (Note: Live and Fun Outcome Action Steps were identical.) According to the Fun Outcome; Action Step for "Practice indicating his choice by gazing or reaching." is to be completed 5 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. (Note: Live and Fun Outcome Action Steps were identical.) According to the Fun Outcome Action Step for "Use the chosen item to confirm his choice." is to be completed 5 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. (Note: Live and Fun Outcome Action Steps were identical.) According to the Fun Outcome Action Step for "Use the chosen item to confirm his choice." is to be completed 5 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 7/2017 - 9/2017. (Note: Live and Fun Outcome Action Steps were identical.) 		
--	--	--	--

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI & Responsible Party	Date Due
		assure adherence to waiver requirements. The State	ļ
	g that provider training is conducted in accordance	with State requirements and the approved waiver.	
Tag # 1A20 Direct Support Personnel Training	Standard Level Deficiency		
 Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 - II. POLICY STATEMENTS: A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff. B. Staff shall complete individual-specific (formerly known as "Addendum B") training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the individual service plan (ISP) of each individual served. 	 Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Orientation and Training requirements were met for 1 of 33 Direct Support Personnel. Review of Direct Support Personnel training records found no evidence of the following required DOH/DDSD trainings and certification being completed as required: Foundation for Health and Wellness Not Found (#520) 	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): →	
 C. Staff shall complete training on DOH- approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13. D. Staff providing direct services shall complete training in universal precautions on an annual basis. The training materials shall meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements. 		Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	
 E. Staff providing direct services shall maintain certification in first aid and CPR. The training materials shall meet OSHA requirements/guidelines. F. Staff who may be exposed to hazardous chemicals shall complete relevant training in accordance with OSHA requirements. 			

G. Staff shall be certified in a DDSD-approved behavioral intervention system (e.g., Mandt,		
CPI) before using physical restraint techniques.		
Staff members providing direct services shall maintain certification in a DDSD-approved		
behavioral intervention system if an individual they support has a behavioral crisis plan that		
includes the use of physical restraint techniques.		
H. Staff shall complete and maintain certification		
in a DDSD-approved medication course in accordance with the DDSD Medication Delivery		
Policy M-001.		
I. Staff providing direct services shall complete		
safety training within the first thirty (30) days of employment and before working alone with an		
individual receiving service.		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service		
Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015		
CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements		
G. Training Requirements: 1. All Community		
Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD policy T-003:		
Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy.		
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 DDSD Policy T-003:		
Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy;		
CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements		
C. Training Requirements: The Provider		
Agency must 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. The Provider		
Agency must ensure that the personnel support		
staff have completed training as specified in the		
DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for		
Direct Service Agency Staff Policy		
CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements		
B. Living Supports- Family Living Services		
Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3.		
Training: 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 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		
0		
Requirements.		
CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements		
B. Living Supports- Supported Living		
Services Provider Agency Staffing		
Requirements: 3. Training: 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.		
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;		

Tag # 1A22 Agency Personnel Competency	Standard Level Deficiency		
Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy - Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 - II. POLICY STATEMENTS: A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff.	Based on interviews, the Agency did not ensure training competencies were met for 1 of 6 Direct Support Personnel. When DSP were asked if they received training on the Individual's Speech Therapy Plan and if so, what the plan covered, the following was reported:	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): →	
 B. Staff shall complete individual specific (formerly known as "Addendum B") training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the individual service plan (ISP) for each individual serviced. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements G. Training Requirements: 1. All Community Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. 3. Ensure direct service personnel receives Individual ISP, including aspects of support plans (healthcare and behavioral) or WDSI that pertain to the employment environment. CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements as follows: 1. All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. 3. Ensure direct service personnel receives Individual ISP, including aspects of support plans (healthcare and behavioral) or WDSI that pertain to the employment environment. CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements as follows: 1. All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy; 	 DSP #518 stated, "No." According to the Individual Specific Training Section of the ISP, the Individual requires a Speech Therapy Plan. (Individual #6) When DSP were asked if they received training on the Individual's Medical Emergency Response Plans and if so, what the plan(s) covered, the following was reported: DSP #518 stated, "I don't believe so." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires a Medical Emergency Response Plan for Aspiration. (Individual #6) 	Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	

CHADTED 7 (CIUE) 2 Ageney Deguiremente	
CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements	
C. Training Requirements: The Provider	
Agency must 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. The Provider	
Agency must ensure that the personnel support	
staff have completed training as specified in the	
DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for	
Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. 3. Staff shall	
complete individual specific training	
requirements in accordance with the	
specifications described in the ISP of each	
individual served; and 4. Staff that assists the	
individual with medication (e.g., setting up	
medication, or reminders) must have completed	
Assisting with Medication Delivery (AWMD)	
Training.	
CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements	
B. Living Supports- Family Living Services	
Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3.	
Training:	
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 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.	
requirements.	
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.	
CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements	
B. Living Supports- Supported Living	
Services Provider Agency Staffing	
Requirements: 3. Training:	
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. B Individual specific training must be arranged and conducted, including training on the ISP Outcomes, actions steps and strategies, associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP, etc), and information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERP, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Supported 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 specific training whenever possible. 	
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;	

Tag # 1A26 Consolidated On-line Registry/Employee Abuse Registry	Standard Level Deficiency		
 Registry:Employee Abuse Registry NMAC 7.1.12.8 REGISTRY ESTABLISHED; PROVIDER INQUIRY REQUIRED: Upon the effective date of this rule, the department has established and maintains an accurate and complete electronic registry that contains the name, date of birth, address, social security number, and other appropriate identifying information of all persons who, while employed by a provider, have been determined by the department, as a result of an investigation of a complaint, to have engaged in a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation of a person receiving care or services from a provider. Additions and updates to the registry shall be posted no later than two (2) business days following receipt. Only department staff designated by the custodian may access, maintain and update the data in the registry. A. Provider requirement to inquire of registry. A provider, prior to employing or contracting with an employee, shall inquire of the registry whether the individual under consideration for employment. A provider may not employ or contract with an individual to be an employee if the individual is listed on the registry as having a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation of a person receiving care or services from a provider. D. Documentation of inquiry to registry. The provider shall maintain documentation in the employee's personnel or employment records that evidences the fact that the provider made 	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation in the employee's personnel records that evidenced inquiry into the Employee Abuse Registry prior to employment for 1 of 36 Agency Personnel. The following Agency Personnel records contained evidence that indicated the Employee Abuse Registry check was completed after hire: Direct Support Personnel (DSP): • #519 – Date of hire 8/1/2016, completed 8/9/2016.	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): → Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): →	

an inquiry to the registry concerning that employee prior to employment. Such documentation must include evidence, based on the response to such inquiry received from the custodian by the provider, that the employee was not listed on the registry as having a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation.		
E. Documentation for other staff. With respect to all employed or contracted individuals providing direct care who are licensed health care professionals or certified nurse aides, the provider shall maintain documentation reflecting the individual's current licensure as a health care professional or current certification as a nurse aide.		
F. Consequences of noncompliance. The department or other governmental agency having regulatory enforcement authority over a provider may sanction a provider in accordance with applicable law if the provider fails to make an appropriate and timely inquiry of the registry, or fails to maintain evidence of such inquiry, in connection with the hiring or contracting of an employee; or for employing or contracting any person to work as an employee who is listed on the registry. Such sanctions may include a directed plan of correction, civil monetary penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5000) per instance, or termination or nonrenewal of any contract with the department or other governmental agency.		

Tag # 1A28.1 Incident Mgt. System - Personnel Training	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.1.14 ABUŠE, NEGLECT, EXPLOITATION, AND DEATH REPORTING, TRAINING AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY PROVIDERS	Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Incident Management Training for 3 of 36 Agency Personnel. Direct Support Personnel (DSP)	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): →	
NMAC 7.1.14.9 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS: A. General: All community-based service providers shall establish and maintain an incident management system, which emphasizes the principles of prevention and staff involvement. The community-based service provider shall ensure that the incident management system policies and procedures requires all employees and volunteers to be competently trained to respond to, report, and preserve evidence related to incidents in a timely and accurate manner.	 Incident Management Training (Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation) (#502, 513, 522) 	Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this	
B. Training curriculum: Prior to an employee or volunteer's initial work with the community-based service provider, all employees and volunteers shall be trained on an applicable written training curriculum including incident policies and procedures for identification, and timely reporting of abuse, neglect, exploitation, suspicious injury, and all deaths as required in Subsection A of 7.1.14.8 NMAC. The trainings shall be reviewed at annual, not to exceed 12-month intervals. The training curriculum as set forth in Subsection C of 7.1.14.9 NMAC may include computer-based training. Periodic reviews shall include, at a minimum, review of the written training curriculum and site-specific issues pertaining to the community-based service provider's facility. Training shall be conducted in a language that is understood by the employee or volunteer.		going to be done? How many many manufactures is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	

C. Incident management system training curriculum requirements:
(1) The community-based service provider shall
conduct training or designate a knowledgeable representative to conduct training, in accordance
with the written training curriculum provided
electronically by the division that includes but is not limited to:
(a) an overview of the potential risk of abuse,
neglect, or exploitation; (b) informational procedures for properly filing
the division's abuse, neglect, and exploitation or
report of death form;
(c) specific instructions of the employees' legal responsibility to report an incident of abuse,
neglect and exploitation, suspicious injury, and all
deaths; (d) specific instructions on how to respond to
abuse, neglect, or exploitation;
(e) emergency action procedures to be followed
in the event of an alleged incident or knowledge of abuse, neglect, exploitation, or suspicious injury.
(2) All current employees and volunteers shall
receive training within 90 days of the effective date of this rule.
(3) All new employees and volunteers shall
receive training prior to providing services to consumers.
D. Training documentation: All community-
based service providers shall prepare training documentation for each employee and volunteer
to include a signed statement indicating the date,
time, and place they received their incident management reporting instruction. The
community-based service provider shall maintain
documentation of an employee or volunteer's
training for a period of at least three years, or six months after termination of an employee's
employment or the volunteer's work. Training
curricula shall be kept on the provider premises

and made available upon request by the department. Training documentation shall be made available immediately upon a division representative's request. Failure to provide employee and volunteer training documentation shall subject the community-based service provider to the penalties provided for in this rule.		
Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 II. POLICY STATEMENTS: 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.		

Tag # 1A43.1 General Events Reporting -	Standard Level Deficiency		
Individual Approval			
Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy: General Events Reporting Effective 1/1/2012	Based on record review, the Agency did not follow the General Events Reporting requirements as indicated by the policy for 1 of 7 individuals.	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an	
 1. Purpose To report, track and analyze significant events experiences by adult participants of the DD Waiver program, which do not meet criteria for abuse, neglect or exploitation, or other "reportable incident" as defined by the Incident Management Bureau of the Division of Health Improvement, Department of Health, but which pose a risk to individuals served. Analysis of reported significant events is intended to identify emerging patterns so that preventative actions can be identified at the individual, provider agency, regional and statewide levels. II. Policy Statements A. Designated employees of each agency will enter specified information into the General Events Reporting section of the secure website operated under contract by Therap Services within 2 business days of the occurrence or knowledge by the reporting agency of any of the following defined events in which DDSD requires reporting: Chocking, Missing Person, Suicide Attempt or Threat, Restraint related to Behavior, Serious Injury including Skin Breakdown, Fall (with or without injury), Out of Home Placement and InfectionsProviders shall utilize the "Significant Events Reporting System Guide" to assure that events are reported correctly for DDSD tracking purposes. At providers' discretion additional events may be tracked within the Therap General Events Reporting which are not required by DDSD such as medication errors.	The following events were not reported in the General Events Reporting System as required by Policy: Individual #3 • Documentation reviewed indicates on 1/11/2017 the Individual went to the Emergency Room (Other/Hospital). No GER was found.		

B. General Events Reporting does not replace agency obligations to report abuse, neglect, exploitation and other reportable incidents in compliance with policies and procedures issued by the Department's Incident Management Bureau of the Division of Health Improvement.		

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI & Responsible Party	Date Due
	e, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and se		
		to access needed healthcare services in a timely m	anner.
Tag # 1A08.2 Healthcare Requirements	Standard Level Deficiency		[]]
 NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS: A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past. B. Documentation of test results: Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment. 	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide documentation of annual physical examinations and/or other examinations as specified by a licensed physician for 4 of 7 individuals receiving Living Services. Review of the administrative individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: Community Living Services / Community Inclusion Services (Individuals Receiving Multiple Services):	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): →	
 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director's Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012 III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications: 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. H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 	 Dental Exam Individual #2 - As indicated by the DDSD file matrix Dental Exams are to be conducted annually. No evidence of exam was found. Individual #5 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, the exam was completed on 5/4/2017. Follow-up was to be completed on 10/5/17. No evidence of follow-up found. Individual #7 - As indicated by the DDSD file matrix Dental Exams are to be conducted annually. No evidence of exam was found. Vision Exam Individual #4 - As indicated by the DDSD file matrix Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found. 	Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	

Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements: H. Consumer Records Policy: All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Consumer Records Policy.		
Chapter 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements: G. Consumer Records Policy: All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy.		
Chapter 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Consumer Records Policy: All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy.		
Chapter 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements: D. Consumer Records Policy: All Family Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy.		
Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements: D. Consumer Records Policy: All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy.		

Chapter 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements:	
C. Documents to be maintained in the agency	
Idministrative office, include: (This is not an all- nclusive list refer to standard as it includes other	
tems)	
items)	
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service	
Standards effective 4/1/2007	
CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY	
Requirements: D. Provider Agency Case File	
for the Individual: All Provider Agencies shall	
maintain at the administrative office a	
confidential case file for each individual. Case	
records belong to the individual receiving	
services and copies shall be provided to the	
receiving agency whenever an individual	
changes providers. The record must also be	
made available for review when requested by	
DOH, HSD or federal government	
representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following	
requirements:	
requirements.	
(5) A medical history, which shall include at	
least demographic data, current and past	
medical diagnoses including the cause (if	
known) of the developmental disability,	
psychiatric diagnoses, allergies (food,	
environmental, medications), immunizations,	
and most recent physical exam;	
CHAPTER 6. VI. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	
FOR COMMUNITY LIVING	
C Hoolth Caro Poquiromanto for	
G. Health Care Requirements for Community Living Services.	
community Living Services.	

(1) The Community Living Commission providers	
(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.	
whichever comes hist.	
(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.	
provider shall assign a stall member to this fole.	
(2) For each individual reasining Community	
(3) For each individual receiving Community Living Services, the provider agency shall	
ensure and document the following:	
ensure and document the following.	
(a) Dravisian of booth care everyist	
(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, or 6 on the HAT, has a Health Care Plan		
developed by a licensed nurse.		
(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.		
(4) That an average of 3 hours of documented		
nutritional counseling is available annually, if		
recommended by the IDT.		
(5) That the physical property and grounds are		
free of hazards to the individual's health and		
safety.		
(6) In addition, for each individual receiving		
Supported Living or Family Living Services, the		
provider shall verify and document the following:		
(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).		

Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery - Routine	Standard Level Deficiency		
Medication Administration 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. 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. All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the	Standard Level DeficiencyMedication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of October and November 2017.Based on record review, 1 of 7 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors:Individual #5 October 2017 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries:• Calcium 500 + Vitamin D3 400mg (2 times daily) – Blank 10/29 (8:00 PM)• Phenytoin 125 mg/5ml (1 time daily) – Blank 10/29 (8:00 PM)• Polyethylene Glycol 3350 PWD (1 time daily) – Blank 10/29 (5:00 PM)• Ranitidine HCL 150mg (1 time daily) – Blank 10/29 (7:00 PM)• Valproic Acid 250mg / 5 ml (2 times daily) – Blank 10/29 (8:00 PM)	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): → Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): →	

Developmental Dischilitics (DD) Weiver Service	
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service	
Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised	
4/23/2013; 6/15/2015	
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 B. Community	
Integrated Employment Agency Staffing	
Requirements: o. Comply with DDSD	
Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and	
Procedures:	
Tiocedures,	
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.	
CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES A.	
Living Supports- Family Living Services: The	
scope of Family Living Services includes, but is	
not limited to the following as identified by the	
Interdisciplinary Team (IDT):	
10 Appinting in modioation delivery, and related	
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	
L Healtheans Demoinements for Femily Livian	
 I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living. 3. B. Adult Nursing Services for medication 	
oversight are required for all surrogate Living	
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.	
 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.	
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;	
b. When required by the DDSD Medication	
Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be	
maintained and include:	
i. The name of the individual is transcription of	
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.		
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		
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.		
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 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.	
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.	
" As set the DDOD Mediation Assessment and	
ii. As per the DDSD 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.	
iii. If the substitute care provider is a surrogate	
(not related by affinity or consanguinity)	
Medication Oversight must be selected and provided.	
CHAPTER 12 (SL) 2. Service Requirements	
K. Training and Requirements: 3. Supported	
Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s)	
delivery and tracking and reporting of medication(s)	
errors in accordance with DDSD Medication	
Assessment and Delivery Policy and	

Procedures, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act,	
and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.	
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;	
b. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication	
Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:	
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.	
c. When PRN medications are used, there must be clear documentation that the DSP contacted	

QMB Report of Findings – Life Mission Family Services Corp. – Metro Region – November 3 - 8, 2017

the agency nurse prior to assisting with the medication.		
d. 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		
e. 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 administrating the medication, signs, and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.		
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.		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007		
CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY Requirements: 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.	
(1) All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals shall be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations.	
(2) When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:	
(a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;	
(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;	
(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;	
(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;	
(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and	
(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.	
(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;		
(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;		
(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 administrating the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;		

Tag # 1A09.1 Medication Delivery - PRN	Standard Level Deficiency		
Tag # 1A09.1Medication Delivery - PRN Medication AdministrationNMAC 16.19.11.8MINIMUM 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.	Standard Level DeficiencyMedication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of October and November 2017.Based on record review, 1 of 7 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors:Individual #3 November 2017 Medication Administration Records did not contain the exact amount to be used in a 24 - hour period: 	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): → Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will	
 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. All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include: > 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. 			

Department of Health Developmental	
Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD)	
Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy -	
Eff. November 1, 2006 F. PRN Medication	
3. Prior to self-administration, self-administration	
with physical assist or assisting with delivery of	
PRN medications, the direct support staff must	
contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN	
medication is being used according to	
instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases	
of fever, respiratory distress (including	
coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea,	
change in responsiveness/level of	
consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider	
the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment	
to assure that the PRN does not mask a	
condition better treated by seeking medical	
attention. This does not apply to home	
based/family living settings where the provider is	
related by affinity or by consanguinity to the	
individual.	
4. The agency nurse shall review the utilization	
of PRN medications routinely. Frequent or	
escalating use of PRN medications must be	
reported to the PCP and discussed by the	
Interdisciplinary for changes to the overall	
support plan (see Section H of this policy).	
H. Agency Nurse Monitoring	
1. Regardless of the level of assistance with	
medication delivery that is required by the	
individual or the route through which the	
medication is delivered, the agency nurses must	
monitor the individual's response to the effects	
of their routine and PRN medications. The	
frequency and type of monitoring must be based	
on the nurse's assessment of the individual and	
consideration of the individual's diagnoses,	
health status, stability, utilization of PRN	

medications and level of support required by the individual's condition and the skill level and needs of the direct care staff. Nursing monitoring should be based on prudent nursing practice and should support the safety and independence of the individual in the community setting. The health care plan shall reflect the planned monitoring of the individual's response to medication.	
Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) - Procedure Title: Medication Assessment and Delivery Procedure Eff Date: November 1, 2006 C. 3. Prior to delivery of the PRN, direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention. (References: Psychotropic Medication Use Policy, Section D, page 5 Use of PRN Psychotropic Medications; and, Human Rights Committee Requirements Policy, Section B, page 4 Interventions Requiring Review and Approval – Use of PRN Medications).	
 a. Document conversation with nurse including all reported signs and symptoms, advice given and action taken by staff. 4. Document on the MAR each time a PRN medication is used and describe its effect on the individual (e.g., temperature down, vomiting 	

lessened, anxiety increased, the condition is the same, improved, or worsened, etc.).	
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service	
Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised	
4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES	
A. Living Supports- Family Living Services:	
The scope of Family Living Services.	
but is not limited to the following as identified by	
the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT):	
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	
I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living.	
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.	
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.	
f. 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;		
g. When required by the DDSD Medication		
Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication		
Administration Records (MAR) must be		
maintained and include:		
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.		
h. 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		
i. 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.		
j. 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 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.		
iv. 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.		
v. As per the DDSD 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.		
vi. If the substitute care provider is a		
surrogate (not related by affinity or		
consanguinity) Medication Oversight must		
be selected and provided.		
CHAPTER 12 (SL) 2. Service Requirements		
K. Training and Requirements: 3. Supported		
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, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act,		
and Board of Pharmacy standards and		
regulations.		
 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; 		
 b. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include: 		
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.		
c. 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		
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 administrating the medication, signs, and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.		
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.		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007		
CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY Requirements: The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency		

requirements and personnel qualifications may	
be applicable for specific service standards.	
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.	
(2) When required by the DDSD Medication	
Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication	
Administration Records (MAR) shall be	
maintained and include:	
(a) The name of the individual, a	
transcription of the physician's written or	
licensed health care provider's	
prescription including the brand and	
generic name of the medication,	
diagnosis for which the medication is	
prescribed;	
(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and	
method/route of administration, times and	
dates of administration;	
assisting with the medication;	
(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;	
(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or	
adverse medication effect; and	
(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.	

 (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; (4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications; (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 administrating the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications; 	the full name used to sted delivery of individuals ring who self- ns; ribing pharmacy kept in the home ce locations and red outcomes of signs and	

Tag # LS06 / 6L06 Family Living	Standard Level Deficiency		
Requirements			
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015	Based on record review, the Agency did not complete all DDSD requirements for approval of each direct support provider for 1 of 1 individuals.	Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be	
CHAPTER 12 (FL) I. Living Supports – Family Living Home Studies: The Living Supports- Family Living Services Provider Agency must complete all Developmental Disabilities Support Division (DDSD) requirements for approval of each direct support provider, including completion of an approved home study and training of the direct support provider prior to placement. After the initial home study, an updated home study must be completed annually. The home study must also be updated each time there is a change in family composition or when the family moves to a new home. The content and procedures used by the Provider Agency to conduct home studies must be approved by DDSD.	Review of the Agency files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: Family Living (Initial) Home Study • Individual #7 - Not Found.	Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be	
2. Service Requirements:		completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	
E. Supervision: The Living Supports- Family Living Provider Agency must provide and document:			
1. Monthly face to face consultation, by agency supervisors or internal service coordinators, with the DSP on at least a monthly basis to include:			
a. Review implementation of the individual's ISP Action Plans and associated support plans, including, Positive Behavior Support Plan (PBSP), Written Direct Support Instructions, (WDSI) from therapist(s) serving the individual, schedule of activities and appointments; and advise direct support personnel regarding expectations and next steps including need for			

individual specific training or retraining from		
therapists and Behavior Support Consultants;		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service		
Standards effective 4/1/2007		
CHAPTER 6. III. REQUIREMENTS UNIQUE		
TO FAMILY LIVING SERVICES		
A. Support to Individuals in Family Living:		
The Family Living Services Provider Agency shall provide and document:		
shall provide and document.		
(5) Monthly consultation, by agency supervisors		
or internal service coordinators, with the direct		
support provider to include:		
(a) Review, advise, and prompt the		
implementation of the individual's ISP Action		
Plans, schedule of activities and appointments; and		
anu		
(b) Assist with service or support issues raised		
by the direct support provider or observed by		
supervisor, service coordinator or other IDT		
members.		
B. Home Studies. The Family Living Services		
Provider Agency shall complete all DDSD		
requirements for approval of each direct support provider, including completion of an approved		
home study and training prior to placement.		
After the initial home study, an updated home		
study shall be completed annually. The home		
study must also be updated each time there is a		
change in family composition or when the family		
moves to a new home. The content and		
procedures used by the Provider Agency to conduct home studies shall be approved by		
DDSD.		
	1	

AC 8.314.5.10 - DEVELOPMENTAL ABILITIES HOME AND COMMUNITY- GED SERVICES WAIVER	
GIBLE PROVIDERS: Jalifications for community living service viders: There are three types of community g services: Family living, supported living independent living. Community living iders must meet all qualifications set forth the DOH/DDSD, DDW definitions and service. Samily living service providers for adults t meet the qualifications for staff required by DOH/DDSD, DDW service definitions and dards. The direct care provider agency must proved through a home study completed to provision of services and conducted at sequent intervals required of the provider hoy. All family living sub-contracts must be oved by the DOH/DDSD.	

Tag # LS25 / 6L25 Residential Health and	Standard Level Deficiency		
Safety (SL/FL) Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service	Based on observation, the Agency did not	Provider:	
Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015	ensure that each individuals' residence met all requirements within the standard for 5 of 5 Supported Living and Family Living residences.	State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here (How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be	
CHAPTER 11 (FL) Living Supports – Family Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports- Family Living Services: 1. Family Living Services providers must assure that each individual's	Review of the residential records and observation of the residence revealed the following items were not found, not functioning or incomplete:	specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?): →	
residence is maintained to be clean, safe and comfortable and accommodates the individuals'	Supported Living Requirements		
daily living, social and leisure activities. In addition, the residence must:	 Water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110° F) 		
a. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water and telephone;	 Water temperature in home measured 126.9° F (#1, 5) 	Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality	
b. 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	 Water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110° F) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 131.6° F (#2, 3) 	Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here (What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will	
toilets, etc.) based on the unique needs of the individual in consultation with the IDT;	 Water temperature in home exceeds safe temperature (110° F) Water temperature in home measured 	be taken if issues are found?): \rightarrow	
c. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, fire	 Water temperature in home measured 139.8° F (#4) 		
extinguisher, or a sprinkler system; d. Have a general-purpose first aid kit;	 Water temperature in home exceeds safe temperature (110° F) 		
	 Water temperature in home measured 121°F (#6) 		
e. 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 own bed;	• Accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Administration training or each individual's ISP (#1, 5)		

f. Have accessible written documentation of	Note: The following Individuals share a	
actual evacuation drills occurring at least three	residence:	
(3) times a year;	➤ #1, 5	
	▶ #2, 3	
 g. 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 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. 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: a. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water, and telephone; b. 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; 	 #2, 3 Family Living Requirements Accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Administration training or each individual's ISP (#7) 	

c. Ensure water temperature in home does not	
exceed safe temperature (110º F);	
d. Have a battery operated or electric smoke	
detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system;	
extinguisher, or a sprinkler system,	
e. Have a general-purpose First Aid kit;	
f. 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 own bed;	
g. 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;	
h. 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	
Derivery training of each individuals for, and	
i. 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.	
noouing.	
CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements	
R. Staff Qualifications: 3. Supervisor Qualifications And Requirements:	
•	

C. Each regidence shall include energhle actety	
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.	
T Each residence shall have a blood borne	
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.	
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.	
V For residences with more than two (2)	
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.	

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due		
Service Domain: Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement – State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the					
reimbursement methodology specified in the appro	oved walver.				
All Services Reimbursement (No Deficiencies Found)					
NMAC 8.302.1.17 Effective Date 9-15-08					
medical necessity of services furnished to an eligib Detail Required in Records - Provider Records m or prescribing provider; level and quantity of service other plans of care must be sufficiently detailed to Services Billed by Units of Time - Services billed on the basis of time units spent with and the services provided during that time unit.	ble recipient who is currently receiving or who has re- nust be sufficiently detailed to substantiate the date, es, length of a session of service billed, diagnosis a substantiate the level of need, supervision, and dire in an eligible recipient must be sufficiently detailed to ment for treatment, services or goods must retain a payment date: ient recipient; and	essary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount a eceived services in the past. , time, eligible recipient name, rendering, attending, and medical necessity of any service Treatment ection and service(s) needed by the eligible recipien to document the actual time spent with the eligible re all medical and business records relating to any of the	ordering plans or ht. ecipient		
Billing for 2012 : Living Supports (Supported Living, Family Living); and 2007 : Community Living (Supported Living) services was reviewed for 7 of 7 individuals. Progress notes and billing records supported billing activities for the months of July, August and September 2017.					

SUSANA MARTINEZ, GOVERNOR



LYNN GALLAGHER, CABINET SECRETARY

Date:

April 18, 2018

To: Provider: Address: State/Zip:	Paul Gallegos, Executive Director Life Mission Family Services Corp. 2929 Coors Blvd. NW, Suite 306 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120
E-mail Address:	paul@lifemissionfs.com; ivan@lifemissionfs.com
Region: Survey Date: Program Surveyed:	Metro Region November 3 - 8, 2017 Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed:	2007: Supported Living 2012: Supporting Living, Family Living
Survey Type:	Routine Survey

Dear Paul Gallegos;

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

The Plan of Correction process is now complete.

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Amanda Castañeda

Amanda Castañeda Plan of Correction Coordinator Quality Management Bureau/DHI

Q.18.2.DDW.757713.5.RTN.09.18.108

