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Date: June 18, 2018

To: Jason Buckles, Executive Director
Provider: A Better Way of Living, Inc.
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Region: Metro
Survey Date: May 11 – 18, 2018

Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed: ***2007:*** Independent Living and Supported Employment
2012: Supported Living, Family Living; Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment Services and Customized In-Home Supports

Survey Type: Routine

Team Leader: Lora Norby, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Team Members: Kandis Gomez, AA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Debbie Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Michele Beck, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Crystal Lopez-Beck, BA, Deputy Bureau Chief, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Anthony Fragua, BFA, Health Program Manager, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Wolf Krusemark, BFA, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Monica Valdez, BS, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Mr. Buckles;

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:

Non-Compliance: This determination is based on noncompliance with Standard level requirements which affect a high percentage of the Individuals on the survey sample and/or noncompliance with one or more Condition of

Participation level requirements affecting a high percentage of Individuals in the survey sample *(refer to Attachment B for details)*. You are required to develop and implement a Plan of Correction for all deficiencies identified in the attached QMB Report of Findings.

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

- Tag # LS14 Residential Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)
- Tag # 1A20 Direct Support Personnel Training
- Tag # 1A22 Agency Personnel Competency
- Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration
- Tag # 1A09.2 Medication Delivery Nurse Approval for PRN Medication
- Tag # 1A31 Client Rights/Human Rights

The following tags are identified as Standard Level Deficiencies:

- Tag # 1A08 Administrative Case File (Other Required Documents)
- Tag # 1A32 Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation
- Tag # 1A32.1 Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation *(Not Completed at Frequency)*
- Tag # 1A38 Living Care Arrangement / Community Inclusion Reporting Requirements
- Tag # LS14.1 Residential Case File (Other Req. Documentation)
- Tag # 1A37 Individual Specific Training
- Tag # 1A43.1 General Events Reporting: Individual Reporting
- Tag # 1A08.2 Administrative Case File: Healthcare Requirements & Follow-up
- Tag # 1A09.1 Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration
- Tag # 1A09.1.0 Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration
- Tag # 1A33 Board of Pharmacy: Med. Storage
- Tag # LS25 Residential Health & Safety (Supported Living & Family Living)
- Tag #IH32 Customized In-Home Supports Reimbursement

Plan of Correction:

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

You were provided information during the exit meeting portion of your on-site survey. Please refer to this information (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 for Current Citation:

- 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 on an ongoing basis? (i.e. file reviews, 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 within your agency)
- What steps will be taken if issues are found? (i.e. retraining, requesting documents, filing RORA, etc.)
- How is this integrated in your agency's QIS, QI Committee reviews and annual report?

Submission of your Plan of Correction:

Please submit your agency's Plan of Correction in the available space on the two right-hand 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" claim 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 Void/Adjust 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:

Request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings
5301 Central Ave NE Suite #400
Albuquerque, NM 87108
Attention: IRF request/QMB

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,

Lora Norby

Lora Norby,
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
Division of Health Improvement
Quality Management Bureau

Survey Process Employed:

Administrative Review Start Date:	May 11, 2018
Contact:	**A Better Way of Living, Inc.** Jason Buckles, Executive Director **DOH/DHI/QMB** Lora Norby, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
On-site Entrance Conference Date:	May 14, 2018
Present:	**A Better Way of Living** Jason Buckles, Executive Director Christina Gonzales, Executive Assistant Justin Stewart, Operations Officer Ellen Neace, Program Director Mary Mathison RN, Nurse Supervisor Sabrina Smith, Administrative Director Chris Johnson, Program Director Michelle Rivera, Service Coordinator Amber J Hunt, Service Coordinator Catrice Strahan, Service Coordinator Tavares Lloyd, Service Coordinator **DOH/DHI/QMB** Lora Norby, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Kandis Gomez, AA, Healthcare Surveyor
Exit Conference Date:	May 18, 2018
Present:	**A Better Way of Living, Inc.** Jason Buckles, Executive Director Justin Stewart, Operations Officer Ellen Neace, Program Director Sabrina Smith, Administrative Director Chris Johnson, Program Director Michelle Rivera, Service Coordinator Amber J Hunt, Service Coordinator Catrice Strahan, Service Coordinator Tavares Lloyd, Service Coordinator Mike Gonzales, Quality Assurance Specialist **DOH/DHI/QMB** Lora Norby, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Kandis Gomez, AA, Healthcare Surveyor Debbie Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor Michele Beck, Healthcare Surveyor **DDSD - Metro Regional Office** Linda Clark, Assistant Director DDSD
Administrative Locations Visited:	1
Total Sample Size:	15

	1 - *Jackson* Class Member 14 - Non-*Jackson* Class Members 9 - Supported Living 1 - Family Living 1 - Independent Living 4 - Customized In-Home Supports 1 - Supported Employment 7 - Customized Community Supports 10 - Community Integrated Employment
Total Homes Visited	8
❖ Supported Living Homes Visited	7 *Note: The following Individuals share a SL residence:* ➢ #6, 15 ➢ #12, 13
❖ Family Living Homes Visited	1
Persons Served Records Reviewed	15
Persons Served Interviewed	8
Persons Served Observed	3 (Three Individuals chose not to participate in the interview process)
Persons Served Not Seen and/or Not Available	4 (Four Individuals were not available during the on-site survey)
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	95
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed	17
Substitute Care/Respite Personnel Records Reviewed	1
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	5
Administrative Interviews	1

Administrative Processes and Records Reviewed:

- Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement Records for all Services Provided
- Accreditation Records
- Oversight of Individual Funds
- Individual Medical and Program Case Files, including, but not limited to:
    - °Individual Service Plans
    - °Progress on Identified Outcomes
    - °Healthcare Plans
    - °Medication Administration Records
    - °Medical Emergency Response Plans
    - °Therapy Evaluations and Plans
    - °Healthcare Documentation Regarding Appointments and Required Follow-Up

    - Other Required Health Information
- Internal Incident Management Reports and System Process / 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 DDSD Regional Office for purposes of contract management or 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 AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us. Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your Regional DDSD Office.

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

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

If a deficiency has already been corrected since the on-site survey, 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 following details should be considered when developing your Plan of Correction:

The Plan of Correction must address each deficiency cited in the Report of Findings unless otherwise noted with a "No Plan of Correction Required statement." The Plan of Correction must address the five (5) areas listed below:

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 those individuals in similar situations.
3. What Quality Assurance measures will be put into place and what systemic changes made to ensure the deficient practice will not recur.
4. Indicate how the agency plans to monitor its performance to make certain solutions are sustained. The agency must develop a QA plan for ensuring correction is achieved and sustained. This QA plan must be implemented, and the corrective action is evaluated for its effectiveness. The plan of correction is integrated into the agency quality assurance system; and
5. Include dates when corrective actions 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 Individual Served, agency personnel and administrative and service delivery site 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 to service sites, as they are being used, and after they are completed;
- Your processes for ensuring that all required agency personnel are trained on required DDSD required trainings;
- How accuracy in billing/reimbursement documentation is assured;
- How health, safety is assured;
- For Case Management providers, how Individual Service Plans are reviewed to verify they meet requirements, how the timeliness of level of care (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 AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us 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 AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us ***(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 documents containing HIPAA Protected Health Information (PHI) documents must be submitted through S-Comm (Therap), Fax or Postal System, do not send PHI directly to NMDOH email accounts. If the documents do not contain protected Health information (PHI) then you may submit your documents electronically scanned and attached to e-mails.
3. All submitted documents *must be annotated*; please be sure the tag numbers and Identification numbers are indicated on each document submitted. Documents which are not annotated with the Tag number and Identification number may not be accepted.
4. Do not submit original documents; Please provide copies or scanned electronic files for evidence. Originals must be maintained in the agency file(s) per 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.

Attachment B

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

The Division of Health Improvement, Quality Management Bureau (QMB) surveys compliance of the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) standards and other state and federal regulations. For the purpose of the LCA / CI survey the CMS waiver assurances have been grouped into four (4) Service Domains: Plan of Care (ISP Implementation) ; 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 Assurance 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 during the on-site survey process and as reported in the QMB Report of Findings. All areas reviewed by QMB have been agreed to by DDSD and DHI/QMB and are reflective of CMS requirements. 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.

Each deficiency in your Report of Findings has been predetermined to be a Standard Level Deficiency, a Condition of Participation Level Deficiency, if below 85% compliance or a non-negotiable Condition of Participation Level Deficiency. Your Agency's overall Compliance Determination is based on a Scope and Severity Scale which takes into account the number of Standard and Condition Level Tags cited as well as the percentage of Individuals affected in the sample.

Conditions of Participation (CoPs)

CoPs are based on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Home and Community-Based Waiver required assurances, in addition to the New Mexico Developmental Disability Waiver (DDW) Service Standards. The Division of Health Improvement (DHI), in conjunction with the Developmental Disability Support Division (DDSD), has identified certain deficiencies that have the potential to be a Condition of Participation Level, if the tag falls below 85% compliance based on the number of people affected. Additionally, there are what are called non-negotiable Conditions of Participation, regardless if one person or multiple people are affected. In this context, a CoP is defined as an essential / fundamental regulation or standard, which when out of compliance directly affects the health and welfare of the Individuals served. If no deficiencies within a Tag are at the level of a CoP, it is cited as a Standard Level Deficiency.

Service Domains and CoPs for Living Care Arrangements and Community Inclusion are as follows:

Service Domain: Service Plan: ISP Implementation - *Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.*

Potential Condition of Participation Level Tags, if compliance is below 85%:

- **1A08.3 –** Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan / ISP Components
- **1A32 –** Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation
- **LS14 –** Residential Service Delivery Site Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)
- **IS14 –** CCS / CIES Service Delivery Site Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)

Service Domain: Qualified Providers - *The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements. The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with State requirements and the approved waiver.*

Potential Condition of Participation Level Tags, if compliance is below 85%:

- **1A20 -** Direct Support Personnel Training

- **1A22 -** Agency Personnel Competency
- **1A37 –** Individual Specific Training

Non-Negotiable Condition of Participation Level Tags (one or more Individuals are cited):
- **1A25.1 –** Caregiver Criminal History Screening
- **1A26.1 –** Consolidated On-line Registry Employee Abuse Registry

Service Domain: Health, Welfare and Safety - *The State, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent occurrences of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Individuals shall be afforded their basic human rights. The provider supports individuals to access needed healthcare services in a timely manner.*

Potential Condition of Participation Level Tags, if compliance is below 85%:
- **1A08.2 –** Administrative Case File: Healthcare Requirements & Follow-up
- **1A09 –** Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration
- **1A09.1 –** Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration
- **1A15.2 –** Administrative Case File: Healthcare Documentation (Therap and Required Plans)

Non-Negotiable Condition of Participation Level Tags (one or more Individuals are cited):
- **1A05 –** General Requirements / Agency Policy and Procedure Requirements
- **1A07 –** Social Security Income (SSI) Payments
- **1A09.2 –** Medication Delivery Nurse Approval for PRN Medication
- **1A15 –** Healthcare Documentation - Nurse Availability
- **1A31 –** Client Rights/Human Rights
- **LS25.1 –** Residential Reqts. (Physical Environment - Supported Living / Family Living / Intensive Medical Living)

QMB Determinations of Compliance (see Attachment D grid below for specifics)

Compliance:

The QMB determination of *Compliance* indicates that a provider has either no deficiencies found during a survey or that no deficiencies at the Condition of Participation Level were found. 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*, the provider must have received no Conditions of Participation Level Deficiencies and have a minimal number of Individuals on the sample affected by the findings indicated in the Standards Level Tags.

Partial-Compliance with Standard Level Tags:

The QMB determination of *Partial-Compliance with Standard Level Tags* indicates that a provider is in compliance with all Condition of Participation Level deficiencies but is out of compliance with a certain percentage of Standard Level deficiencies. This partial-compliance, if not corrected, may result in a negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals' health and safety. There are two ways to receive a determination of Partial Compliance with Standard Level Tags:

1. Your Report of Findings includes 14 or fewer Standards Level Tags with between 75% and 100% of the survey sample affected.

2. Your Report of Findings includes 15 or more Standard Level Tags with between 50% to 74% of the survey sample affected.

Partial-Compliance with Standard Level Tags and Condition of Participation Level Tags:

The QMB determination of *Partial-Compliance with Standard Level Tags and Condition of Participation Level Tags* indicates that a provider is out of compliance with one to five (1 – 5) Condition of Participation Level Tags with less than 75% of the survey sample affected. 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.

Non-Compliance:

The QMB determination of *Non-Compliance* indicates a provider is significantly out of compliance with both Standard Level deficiencies and Conditions of Participation level deficiencies. 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. There are three ways an agency can receive a determination of Non-Compliance:

1. Your Report of Findings includes 15 or more Standard Level Tags with 75% to 100% of the survey sample affected.

2. Your Report of Findings includes any amount of Standard Level Tags with one to five (1 – 5) Condition of Participation Level Tags and 75 to 100% of the survey sample affected.

3. Your Report of Findings includes any amount of Standard Level Tags with 6 or more Condition of Participation Level Tags.

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 **within 10 business days** of receipt of the final Report of Findings.
2. The written request for an IRF *must* be completed on the QMB Request for Informal Reconsideration of Finding form available on the QMB website: https://nmhealth.org/about/dhi/cbp/irf/
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 Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us for assistance.

The following limitations apply to the IRF process:

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

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

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

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

Compliance Determination	Attachment D: Weighting							
	LOW		MEDIUM			HIGH		
Standard Level Tags:	up to 14	15 or more	up to 14	15 or more	Any Amount	15 or more	Any Amount	Any Amount
	and	and	and	and	And/or	and	And/or	And/or
COP Level Tags:	0 COP	0 COP	0 COP	0 COP	1 to 5 COP	0 CoPs	1 to 5 CoP	6 or more COP
	and	and	and	and	and	and	and	and
Sample Effected:	0 to 74%	0 to 49%	75 to 100%	50 to 74%	0 to 74%	75 to 100%	75 to 100%	Any Amount
"Non-Compliance"						**15 or more** Standard Level tags with **75 to 100%** of Individuals in the sample cited throughout the report	**Any Amount** Standard Level deficiencies and **1 to 5** Conditions of Participation Level Deficiencies with 75 to 100% cited throughout the report.	**Any Amount** Standard Level deficiencies and **6 or more** Conditions of Participation Level Deficiencies.
"Partial Compliance with Standard Level tags and Condition of Participation Level Tags"					**Any Amount of** Standard level tags, plus **1 to 5** Conditions of Participation Level tags, with **0 to 74%** of individuals in the sample cited throughout the report of findings.			
"Partial Compliance with Standard Level tags"			**up to 14** Standard Level tags with **75 to 100%** of individuals in the sample cited throughout the report of findings.	**15 or more** Standard Level tags with **50 to 74%** individuals in the sample cited throughout the report of findings.				
"Compliance"	**Up to 14** Standard level tags **0 to 74%** of individuals in the sample cited throughout the report of findings	**15 or more** Standard Level tags with **0 to 49%** of individuals in the sample cited throughout the report of findings.						

Agency: **A Better Way of Living, Inc. - Metro Region**
Program: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service: ***2007:*** Independent Living and Supported Employment
2012: Supported Living, Family Living; Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment Services and Customized In-Home Supports
Survey Type: Routine
Survey Date: **May 11 – 18, 2018**

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Service Plans: ISP Implementation – *Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.*			
Tag # 1A08 Administrative Case File (Other Required Documents)	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2** Client Records Requirements: All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary. DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 1. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service. 2. Provider Agencies must have readily accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable.	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file at the administrative office for 3 of 15 individuals. Review of the Agency administrative individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: **Speech Therapy Plan:** • Not Current (#13) **Occupational Therapy Plan:** • Not Current (#1) **Physical Therapy Plan:** • Not Current (#7)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

3. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 4. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 5. Each Provider Agency is responsible for maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 6. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 7. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services. ***20.5.1 Individual Data Form (IDF):*** The Individual Data Form provides an overview of demographic information as well as other key personal, programmatic, insurance, and health related information. It lists medical information; assistive technology or adaptive equipment; diagnoses; allergies; information about whether a guardian or advance directives are in place; information about behavioral and health related needs; contacts of Provider Agencies and team members and other critical information. The IDF automatically loads			

information into other fields and forms and must be complete and kept current. This form is initiated by the CM. It must be opened and continuously updated by Living Supports, CCS-Group, ANS, CIHS and case management when applicable to the person in order for accurate data to auto populate other documents like the Health Passport and Physician Consultation Form. Although the Primary Provider Agency is ultimately responsible for keeping this form current, each provider collaborates and communicates critical information to update this form. **Chapter 3: Safeguards: *3.1.2 Team Justification Process***: DD Waiver participants may receive evaluations or reviews conducted by a variety of professionals or clinicians. These evaluations or reviews typically include recommendations or suggestions for the person/guardian or the team to consider. The team justification process includes: 1. Discussion and decisions about non-health related recommendations are documented on the Team Justification form. 2. The Team Justification form documents that the person/guardian or team has considered the recommendations and has decided: a. to implement the recommendation; b. to create an action plan and revise the ISP, if necessary; or c. not to implement the recommendation currently. 3. All DD Waiver Provider Agencies participate in information gathering, IDT meeting attendance, and accessing supplemental resources if needed and desired. 4. The CM ensures that the Team Justification Process is followed and complete.			

Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements** **J. Consumer Records Policy:** Community Integrated Employment 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 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. Additional documentation that is required to be maintained at the administrative office includes: 1. Vocational Assessments (if applicable) that are of quality and contain content acceptable to DVR and DDSD. **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 administrative office, include: (This is not an all-inclusive list refer to standard as it includes other items) • Emergency contact information; • Personal identification; • ISP budget forms and budget prior authorization; • ISP with signature page and all applicable assessments, including teaching and support strategies, Positive Behavior Support Plan (PBSP), Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (BCIP), or other relevant behavioral plans, Medical Emergency Response Plan (MERP), Healthcare Plan, Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan (CARMP), and Written Direct Support Instructions (WDSI); • Dated and signed evidence that the individual has been informed of agency grievance/complaint procedure at least annually, or upon admission for a short term stay; • Copy of Guardianship or Power of Attorney documents as applicable; • Behavior Support Consultant, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist and Speech-Language Pathology progress reports as applicable, except for short term stays; • Written consent by relevant health decision maker and primary care practitioner for self-			

administration of medication or assistance with medication from DSP as applicable; • Progress notes written by DSP and nurses; • Signed secondary freedom of choice form; • Transition Plan as applicable for change of provider in past twelve (12) months. **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.			

Tag # 1A32 Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation	Standard Level Deficiency *(Modified as result of Pilot 1)*		
NMAC 7.26.5.14 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - CONTENT OF INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLANS: Each ISP shall contain. A. Demographic information: The individual's name, age, date of birth, important identification numbers (i.e., Medicaid, Medicare, social security numbers), level of care address, phone number, guardian information (if applicable), physician name and address, primary care giver or service provider(s), date of the ISP meeting (either annual, or revision), scheduled month of next annual ISP meeting, and team members in attendance. B. Long term vision: The vision statement shall be recorded in the individual's actual words, whenever possible. For example, in a long term vision statement, the individual may describe him or herself living and working independently in the community. C. Outcomes: (1) The IDT has the explicit responsibility of identifying reasonable services and supports needed to assist the individual in achieving the desired outcome and long term vision. The IDT determines the intensity, frequency, duration, location and method of delivery of needed services and supports. All IDT members may generate suggestions and assist the individual in communicating and developing outcomes. Outcome statements shall also be written in the individual's own words, whenever possible. Outcomes shall be prioritized in the ISP. (2) Outcomes planning shall be implemented in one or more of the four "life areas" (work or leisure activities, health or development of relationships) and address as appropriate home environment, vocational, educational, communication, self-care, leisure/social, community resource use, safety, psychological/behavioral and medical/health	Based on administrative 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 1 of 15 individuals. As indicated by Individuals ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes: **Supported Employment Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:** Individual #3 • No Outcomes or DDSD exemption/decision justification found for Supportive Employment Services. As indicated by NMAC 7.26.5.14 "Outcomes are required for any life area for which the individual receives services funded by the developmental disabilities Medicaid waiver."	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

outcomes. The IDT shall assure that the outcomes in the ISP relate to the individual's long term vision statement. Outcomes are required for any life area for which the individual receives services funded by the developmental disabilities Medicaid waiver. **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. C. The IDT shall review and discuss information and recommendations with the individual, with the goal of supporting the individual in attaining desired outcomes. The IDT develops an ISP based upon the individual's personal vision statement, strengths, needs, interests and preferences. The ISP is a dynamic document, revised periodically, as needed, and amended to reflect progress towards personal goals and achievements consistent with the individual's future vision. This regulation is consistent with standards established for individual plan development as set forth by the commission on the accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF) and/or other program accreditation approved and adopted by the developmental disabilities division and the department of health. It is the policy of the developmental disabilities division (DDD), that to the extent permitted by funding, each individual receive supports and services that will assist and encourage independence and productivity in the community and attempt to prevent regression or loss of current capabilities. Services and supports include specialized and/or generic services, training, education and/or treatment as determined by the IDT and documented in the ISP. D. The intent is to provide choice and obtain opportunities for individuals to live, work and play with full participation in their communities. The following principles provide direction and purpose in planning for individuals with developmental			

disabilities. [05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01] Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 6: Individual Service Plan (ISP)** **6.8 ISP Implementation and Monitoring:** All DD Waiver Provider Agencies with a signed SFOC are required to provide services as detailed in the ISP. The ISP must be readily accessible to Provider Agencies on the approved budget. (See Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records.) CMs facilitate and maintain communication with the person, his/her representative, other IDT members, Provider Agencies, and relevant parties to ensure that the person receives the maximum benefit of his/her services and that revisions to the ISP are made as needed. All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to cooperate with monitoring activities conducted by the CM and the DOH. Provider Agencies are required to respond to issues at the individual level and agency level as described in Chapter 16: Qualified Provider Agencies. **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2 Client Records Requirements:** All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary. DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 1. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service. 2. Provider Agencies must have readily			

accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable. 3. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 4. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 5. Each Provider Agency is responsible for maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 6. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 7. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services.			

Tag # 1A32.1 Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation *(Not Completed at Frequency)*	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.26.5.14 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - CONTENT OF INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLANS: Each ISP shall contain. A. Demographic information: The individual's name, age, date of birth, important identification numbers (i.e., Medicaid, Medicare, social security numbers), level of care address, phone number, guardian information (if applicable), physician name and address, primary care giver or service provider(s), date of the ISP meeting (either annual, or revision), scheduled month of next annual ISP meeting, and team members in attendance. B. Long term vision: The vision statement shall be recorded in the individual's actual words, whenever possible. For example, in a long term vision statement, the individual may describe him or herself living and working independently in the community. C. Outcomes: (1) The IDT has the explicit responsibility of identifying reasonable services and supports needed to assist the individual in achieving the desired outcome and long term vision. The IDT determines the intensity, frequency, duration, location and method of delivery of needed services and supports. All IDT members may generate suggestions and assist the individual in communicating and developing outcomes. Outcome statements shall also be written in the individual's own words, whenever possible. Outcomes shall be prioritized in the ISP. (2) Outcomes planning shall be implemented in one or more of the four "life areas" (work or leisure activities, health or development of relationships) and address as appropriate home environment, vocational, educational, communication, self-care, leisure/social, community resource use, safety,	Based on administrative record review, the Agency did not implement the ISP according to the timelines determined by the IDT and as specified in the ISP for each stated desired outcomes and action plan for 6 of 15 individuals. As indicated by Individuals ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes: **Administrative Files Reviewed:** **Supported Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes**: Individual #11 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will review his medications" is to be completed 2 times per day. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018 – 3//2018. Individual #13 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will track his income and expenses" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018 – 3//2018. • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will purchase personal supplies" 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 1/2018 – 3//2018.	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

psychological/behavioral and medical/health outcomes. The IDT shall assure that the outcomes in the ISP relate to the individual's long term vision statement. Outcomes are required for any life area for which the individual receives services funded by the developmental disabilities Medicaid waiver. **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. C. The IDT shall review and discuss information and recommendations with the individual, with the goal of supporting the individual in attaining desired outcomes. The IDT develops an ISP based upon the individual's personal vision statement, strengths, needs, interests and preferences. The ISP is a dynamic document, revised periodically, as needed, and amended to reflect progress towards personal goals and achievements consistent with the individual's future vision. This regulation is consistent with standards established for individual plan development as set forth by the commission on the accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF) and/or other program accreditation approved and adopted by the developmental disabilities division and the department of health. It is the policy of the developmental disabilities division (DDD), that to the extent permitted by funding, each individual receive supports and services that will assist and encourage independence and productivity in the community and attempt to prevent regression or loss of current capabilities. Services and supports include specialized and/or generic services, training, education and/or treatment as determined by the IDT and documented in the ISP. D. The intent is to provide choice and obtain opportunities for individuals to live, work and play with full participation in their communities. The following principles provide direction and purpose	**Family Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:** Individual #9 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will get recipe of the side dish she wants to prepare" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018 – 3/2018. • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will prepare the side meal" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018 – 3/2018. **Customized In-Home Supports Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes**: Individual #8 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "I will call my CIHS to schedule assistance with shopping and laundry" is to be completed 1 time per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/21/2018 - 3/30/2018. • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "I will schedule transportation needs with my CIHS staff" is to be completed 1 time per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/21/2018 - 3/30/2018.		

in planning for individuals with developmental disabilities. [05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01] Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 6: Individual Service Plan (ISP)** **6.8 ISP Implementation and Monitoring:** All DD Waiver Provider Agencies with a signed SFOC are required to provide services as detailed in the ISP. The ISP must be readily accessible to Provider Agencies on the approved budget. (See Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records.) CMs facilitate and maintain communication with the person, his/her representative, other IDT members, Provider Agencies, and relevant parties to ensure that the person receives the maximum benefit of his/her services and that revisions to the ISP are made as needed. All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to cooperate with monitoring activities conducted by the CM and the DOH. Provider Agencies are required to respond to issues at the individual level and agency level as described in Chapter 16: Qualified Provider Agencies. **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2 Client Records Requirements:** All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary. DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 8. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service.	Individual #10 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "… will practice words, numbers and phrases" is to be completed 1 time per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018. **Community Integrated Employment Services Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:** Individual #7 • According to the Work/Learn Outcome; Action Step for "…will complete work task without help for 15 minutes" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 2/2018 - 3/2018. • According to the Work/Learn Outcome; Action Step for "…will complete work task without help for 30 minutes" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 2/2018 - 3/2018. • According to the Work/Learn Outcome; Action Step for "…will complete work task without help for 45 minutes" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 2/2018 - 3/2018. • According to the Work/Learn Outcome; Action Step for "…will complete work task without help for 1 hour" is to be completed 2 times per week. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required		

9. Provider Agencies must have readily accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable. 10. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 11. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 12. Each Provider Agency is responsible for maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 13. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 14. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services.	frequency as indicated in the ISP for 2/2018 - 3/2018. Individual #10 • According to the Work/Learn Outcome; Action Step for ""With prompts, … will practice inquiring with office staff about task that needs to be done on each shift" is to be completed Monday - Friday. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018 - 3/2018. • According to the Work/Learn Outcome; Action Step for ""With assistance, … will complete the task requested of her" is to be completed Monday - Friday. Evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/2018.		

Tag # 1A38 Living Care Arrangement / Community Inclusion Reporting Requirements	Standard Level Deficiency		
7.26.5.17 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - DISSEMINATION OF THE ISP, DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE: C. Objective quantifiable data reporting progress or lack of progress towards stated outcomes, and action plans shall be maintained in the individual's records at each provider agency implementing the ISP. Provider agencies shall use this data to evaluate the effectiveness of services provided. Provider agencies shall submit to the case manager data reports and individual progress summaries quarterly, or more frequently, as decided by the IDT. These reports shall be included in the individual's case management record, and used by the team to determine the ongoing effectiveness of the supports and services being provided. Determination of effectiveness shall result in timely modification of supports and services as needed. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records** **20.2 Client Records Requirements:** All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary.	Based on record review, the Agency did not complete written status reports as required for 1 of 15 individuals receiving Living and Inclusion Services. **Community Integrated Employment Services Semi-Annual Reports** • Individual #1 – Report not submitted 14 days prior to annual ISP meeting as required by standard. Report Date: 3/2017 – 5/2017; *Date Completed:* 6/24/2017. *ISP meeting held on 6/13/2017.*	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 1. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service. 2. Provider Agencies must have readily accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable. 3. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 4. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 5. Each Provider Agency is responsible for maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 6. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 7. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services.			

Chapter 19: Provider Reporting Requirements: 19.5 Semi-Annual Reporting: The semi-annual report provides status updates to life circumstances, health, and progress toward ISP goals and/or goals related to professional and clinical services provided through the DD Waiver. This report is submitted to the CM for review and may guide actions taken by the person's IDT if necessary. Semi-annual reports may be requested by DDSD for QA activities. Semi-annual reports are required as follows: 1. DD Waiver Provider Agencies, except AT, EMSP, Supplemental Dental, PRSC, SSE and Crisis Supports, must complete semi-annual reports. 2. A Respite Provider Agency must submit a semi-annual progress report to the CM that describes progress on the Action Plan(s) and Desired Outcome(s) when Respite is the only service included in the ISP other than Case Management, for an adult age 21 or older. 3. The first semi-annual report will cover the time from the start of the person's ISP year until the end of the subsequent six-month period (180 calendar days) and is due ten calendar days after the period ends (190 calendar days). 4. The second semi-annual report is integrated into the annual report or professional assessment/annual re-evaluation when applicable and is due 14 calendar days prior to the annual ISP meeting. 5. Semi-annual reports must contain at a minimum written documentation of: a. the name of the person and date on each page; b. the timeframe that the report covers; c. timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans or clinical service goals during timeframe the report is covering;			

d. a description of progress towards Desired Outcomes in the ISP related to the service provided; e. a description of progress toward any service specific or treatment goals when applicable (e.g. health related goals for nursing); f. significant changes in routine or staffing if applicable; g. unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health or behavioral health condition; h. the signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the report; and i. any other required elements by service type that are detailed in these standards. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements: Reporting Requirements:** The Community Integrated Employment Agency must submit the following: 1. Progress Reports**:** Community Integrated Employment Services providers must submit written status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT members. When reports are developed in any language other than English, it is the responsibility of the provider to translate the reports into English. These reports are due at two points in time: a mid-cycle report due on day 190 of the ISP cycle and a second summary report due two weeks prior to the annual ISP meeting that covers all progress since the beginning of the ISP cycle up to that point. These reports must contain the following written documentation: a. Written updates to the ISP Work/Learn			

Action Plan annually or as necessary due to change in work outcome to the case manager. These updates do not require an IDT meeting unless changes requiring team input need to be made (e.g., adding more hours to the Community Integrated Employment budget); and b. Written annual updates to the ISP work/learn action plan to DDSD. 2. VAP or other assessment profile to the case manager if completed externally to the ISP; 3. Initial ISP reflecting the Vocational Assessment or other assessment profile or the annual ISP with the updated VAP integrated or a copy of an external VAP if one was completed to DDSD; and 4. Reports as requested by DDSD to track employment outcomes.			

Tag # LS14 Residential Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency *(Upheld as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2** Client Records Requirements: All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary. DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 1. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service. 2. Provider Agencies must have readily accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable. 3. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 4. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 5. Each Provider Agency is responsible for	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file in the residence for 6 of 15 Individuals receiving Living Care Arrangements. Review of the residential individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: **Annual ISP:** • Incomplete (#6, 9) **ISP Teaching and Support Strategies:** *Individual #2:* *TSS not found for the following Live Outcome Statement / Action Steps:* • "… will participate in physical fitness/stress reduction activities." *Individual #12:* *TSS not found for the following Health and Safety Outcome Statement / Action Steps:* • "I will refer to my OT plan to determine which exercises to complete." *Individual #14: - TSS not found for the following Recreation/Fun Outcome Statement / Action Steps:* • "…will research upcoming music of her interest." • "…will plan outing related to live music event."	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 6. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 7. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services. **20.5.3 Health Passport and Physician Consultation Form:** All Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies must use the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* form from the Therap system. This standardized document contains individual, physician and emergency contact information, a complete list of current medical diagnoses, health and safety risk factors, allergies, and information regarding insurance, guardianship, and advance directives. The *Health Passport* also includes a standardized form to use at medical appointments called the *Physician Consultation* form. The *Physician Consultation* form contains a list of all current medications. Requirements for the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* form are: 2. The Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies must ensure that a current copy of the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* forms are printed and available at all service delivery sites. Both forms must be reprinted and placed at all service delivery sites each time the e-CHAT is updated for any reason and whenever there is a change	• "…will attend live music event" *Individual #15:* *TSS not found for the following Live Outcome Statement / Action Steps:* • "…will create a new safety plan for walking by mapping out routes with staff, making a phone plan, and a safety skill plan." *TSS not found for the following Fun Outcome Statement / Action Steps:* • "…will plan 1 vintage or pawn shop visit per week." • "…will visit the vintage or pawn shop on his schedule." **Healthcare Passport:** • Not Found (#9) • Not Current (#15)		

to contact information contained in the IDF. **Chapter 13: Nursing Services:** **13.2.9 Healthcare Plans (HCP)*:*** 1. At the nurse's discretion, based on prudent nursing practice, interim HCPs may be developed to address issues that must be implemented immediately after admission, readmission or change of medical condition to provide safe services prior to completion of the e-CHAT and formal care planning process. This includes interim ARM plans for those persons newly identified at moderate or high risk for aspiration. All interim plans must be removed if the plan is no longer needed or when final HCP including CARMPs are in place to avoid duplication of plans. 2. In collaboration with the IDT, the agency nurse is required to create HCPs that address all the areas identified as required in the most current e-CHAT summary **13.2.10 *Medical Emergency Response Plan (MERP):*** 1. The agency nurse is required to develop a Medical Emergency Response Plan (MERP) for all conditions marked with an "R" in the e-CHAT summary report. The agency nurse should use her/his clinical judgment and input from the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) to determine whether shown as "C" in the e-CHAT summary report or other conditions also warrant a MERP. 2. MERPs are required for persons who have one or more conditions or illnesses that present a likely potential to become a life-threatening situation.			

Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements** **C. Residence Case File:** The Agency must maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. Residence case files are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements** **C. Residence Case File:** The Agency must maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. Residence case files are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy.			

Tag # LS14.1 Residential Case File (Other Req. Documentation)	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2** Client Records Requirements: All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary. DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 8. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service. 9. Provider Agencies must have readily accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable. 10. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 11. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 12. Each Provider Agency is responsible for	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file in the residence for 4 of 15 Individuals receiving Living Care Arrangements. Review of the residential individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: **Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan:** • Not Current (#15) **Speech Therapy Plan:** • Not Found (#12, 13) **Occupational Therapy Plan:** • Not Found (#1)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 13. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 14. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services. **20.5.3 Health Passport and Physician Consultation Form:** All Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies must use the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* form from the Therap system. This standardized document contains individual, physician and emergency contact information, a complete list of current medical diagnoses, health and safety risk factors, allergies, and information regarding insurance, guardianship, and advance directives. The *Health Passport* also includes a standardized form to use at medical appointments called the *Physician Consultation* form. The *Physician Consultation* form contains a list of all current medications. Requirements for the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* form are: 2. The Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies must ensure that a current copy of the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* forms are printed and available at all service delivery sites. Both forms must be reprinted and placed at all service delivery sites each time the e-CHAT is updated for any reason and whenever there is a change			

to contact information contained in the IDF. **Chapter 13: Nursing Services:** **13.2.9 Healthcare Plans (HCP)*:*** 3. At the nurse's discretion, based on prudent nursing practice, interim HCPs may be developed to address issues that must be implemented immediately after admission, readmission or change of medical condition to provide safe services prior to completion of the e-CHAT and formal care planning process. This includes interim ARM plans for those persons newly identified at moderate or high risk for aspiration. All interim plans must be removed if the plan is no longer needed or when final HCP including CARMPs are in place to avoid duplication of plans. 4. In collaboration with the IDT, the agency nurse is required to create HCPs that address all the areas identified as required in the most current e-CHAT summary **13.2.10 *Medical Emergency Response Plan (MERP):*** 3. The agency nurse is required to develop a Medical Emergency Response Plan (MERP) for all conditions marked with an "R" in the e-CHAT summary report. The agency nurse should use her/his clinical judgment and input from the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) to determine whether shown as "C" in the e-CHAT summary report or other conditions also warrant a MERP. 4. MERPs are required for persons who have one or more conditions or illnesses that present a likely potential to become a life-threatening situation.			

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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Qualified Providers – *The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements. The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with State requirements and the approved waiver.*			
Tag # 1A20 Direct Support Personnel Training	**Condition of Participation Level Deficiency** *(Upheld as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 17: Training Requirements:** The purpose of this chapter is to outline requirements for completing, reporting and documenting DDSD training requirements for DD Waiver Provider Agencies as well as requirements for certified trainers or mentors of DDSD Core curriculum training. **17.1 Training Requirements for Direct Support Personnel and Direct Support Supervisors:** Direct Support Personnel (DSP) and Direct Support Supervisors (DSS) include staff and contractors from agencies providing the following services: Supported Living, Family Living, CIHS, IMLS, CCS, CIE and Crisis Supports. 1. DSP/DSS must successfully: a. Complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported and as outlined in 17.10 Individual-Specific Training below. b. Complete training on DOH-approved ANE reporting procedures in accordance with NMAC 7.1.14 c. Complete training in universal precautions. The training materials shall meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements d. Complete and maintain certification in First Aid and CPR. The training materials shall meet OSHA	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Orientation and Training requirements were met for 23 of 101 Direct Support Personnel. Review of Direct Support Personnel training records found no evidence of the following required DOH/DDSD trainings and certification being completed: **First Aid:** • Not Found (#501, 507, 509, 522, 545, 547, 549, 550, 555, 569, 570, 572, 586, 592, 598) • Expired (#512, 521, 539, 571, 585) **CPR:** • Not Found (#501, 507, 509, 545, 547, 549, 550, 555, 569, 570, 572, 586, 592, 598) • Expired (#512, 521, 539, 571, 585) **Assisting with Medication Delivery:** • Not Found (#539, 551) • Expired (#549, 568, 571, 572, 573, 598)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

requirements/guidelines. e. Complete relevant training in accordance with OSHA requirements (if job involves exposure to hazardous chemicals). f. Become certified in a DDSD-approved system of crisis prevention and intervention (e.g., MANDT, Handle with Care, CPI) before using EPR. Agency DSP and DSS shall maintain certification in a DDSD-approved system if any person they support has a BCIP that includes the use of EPR. g. Complete and maintain certification in a DDSD-approved medication course if required to assist with medication delivery. h. Complete training regarding the HIPAA. 2. Any staff being used in an emergency to fill in or cover a shift must have at a minimum the DDSD required core trainings and be on shift with a DSP who has completed the relevant IST. **17.1.2 Training Requirements for Service Coordinators (SC):** Service Coordinators (SCs) refer to staff at agencies providing the following services: Supported Living, Family Living, Customized In-home Supports, Intensive Medical Living, Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment, and Crisis Supports. 1. A SC must successfully: a. Complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported, and as outlined in the 17.10 Individual-Specific Training below. b. Complete training on DOH-approved ANE reporting procedures in accordance with NMAC 7.1.14.			

c. Complete training in universal precautions. The training materials shall meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements. d. Complete and maintain certification in First Aid and CPR. The training materials shall meet OSHA requirements/guidelines. e. Complete relevant training in accordance with OSHA requirements (if job involves exposure to hazardous chemicals). f. Become certified in a DDSD-approved system of crisis prevention and intervention (e.g., MANDT, Handle with Care, CPI) before using emergency physical restraint. Agency SC shall maintain certification in a DDSD-approved system if a person they support has a Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan that includes the use of emergency physical restraint. g. Complete and maintain certification in AWMD if required to assist with medications. h. Complete training regarding the HIPAA. 2. Any staff being used in an emergency to fill in or cover a shift must have at a minimum the DDSD required core trainings.			

Tag # 1A22 Agency Personnel Competency	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency *(Upheld as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 13: Nursing Services** ***13.2.11 Training and Implementation of Plans:*** 1. RNs and LPNs are required to provide Individual Specific Training (IST) regarding HCPs and MERPs. 2. The agency nurse is required to deliver and document training for DSP/DSS regarding the healthcare interventions/strategies and MERPs that the DSP are responsible to implement, clearly indicating level of competency achieved by each trainee as described in Chapter 17.10 Individual-Specific Training. **Chapter 17: Training Requirement** **17.10 Individual-Specific Training:** The following are elements of IST: defined standards of performance, curriculum tailored to teach skills and knowledge necessary to meet those standards of performance, and formal examination or demonstration to verify standards of performance, using the established DDSD training levels of awareness, knowledge, and skill. Reaching an **awareness level** may be accomplished by reading plans or other information. The trainee is cognizant of information related to a person's specific condition. Verbal or written recall of basic information or knowing where to access the information can verify awareness. Reaching a **knowledge level** may take the form of observing a plan in action, reading a plan more thoroughly, or having a plan described by the author or their designee. Verbal or written recall or demonstration may verify this level of competence.	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on interview, the Agency did not ensure training competencies were met for 4 of 18 Direct Support Personnel. **When DSP were asked, if they received training on the Individual's Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan and if so, what the plan covered, the following was reported:** • DSP #509 stated, "Yes, any emergencies call 911, property destruction." According to the Individual Specific Training Section of the ISP, the individual does not have a Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan. (Individual #11) **When DSP was asked, if the individual required use of physical restraint, such as MANDT, CPI or Handle with Care and if so, what the plan covered, the following was reported:** • DSP #509 stated, "Yes, handle with care. Can use restraint but only as last case scenario." According to the Individual Specific Training Section of the ISP, the individual does not have a Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan or other documentation that indicates the use of physical restraint. (Individual #11) **When DSP were asked if they received training on the Individual's Health Care Plans and if so, what the plan(s) 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?)*: → **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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

Reaching a **skill level** involves being trained by a therapist, nurse, designated or experienced designated trainer. The trainer shall demonstrate the techniques according to the plan. Then they observe and provide feedback to the trainee as they implement the techniques. This should be repeated until competence is demonstrated. Demonstration of skill or observed implementation of the techniques or strategies verifies skill level competence. Trainees should be observed on more than one occasion to ensure appropriate techniques are maintained and to provide additional coaching/feedback. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified Provider Agency personnel who must successfully complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported. 1. IST must be arranged and conducted at least annually. IST includes training on the ISP Desired Outcomes, Action Plans, strategies, and information about the person's preferences regarding privacy, communication style, and routines. More frequent training may be necessary if the annual ISP changes before the year ends. 2. IST for therapy-related WDSI, HCPs, MERPs, CARMPs, PBSA, PBSP, and BCIP, must occur at least annually and more often if plans change, or if monitoring by the plan author or agency finds incorrect implementation, when new DSP or CM are assigned to work with a person, or when an existing DSP or CM requires a refresher. 3. The competency level of the training is based on the IST section of the ISP. 4. The person should be present for and involved in IST whenever possible. 5. Provider Agencies are responsible for	• DSP #509 stated, "BMI and Constipation." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires Health Care Plan for Falls. (Individual #1) • DSP #559 stated, "Oral Hygiene." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires Health Care Plan for Diabetes/A1C levels. (Individual #4) • DSP #549 stated, "Seizures and Sleep Apnea." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires Health Care Plan for Body Mass Index. (Individual #12) **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 #509 stated, "I believe he doesn't have any." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires Medical Emergency Response Plan for Falls. (Individual #1) • DSP #555 stated, "None." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires Medical Emergency Response Plan for Anaphylactic Reaction. (Individual #3) • DSP #559 stated, "None." As indicated by the Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the Individual requires		

tracking of IST requirements. 6. Provider Agencies must arrange and ensure that DSP's are trained on the contents of the plans in accordance with timelines indicated in the Individual-Specific Training Requirements: Support Plans section of the ISP and notify the plan authors when new DSP are hired to arrange for trainings. 7. If a therapist, BSC, nurse, or other author of a plan, healthcare or otherwise, chooses to designate a trainer, that person is still responsible for providing the curriculum to the designated trainer. The author of the plan is also responsible for ensuring the designated trainer is verifying competency in alignment with their curriculum, doing periodic quality assurance checks with their designated trainer, and re-certifying the designated trainer at least annually and/or when there is a change to a person's plan.	Medical Emergency Response Plan for Diabetes/A1C levels. (Individual #4)		

Tag # 1A37 Individual Specific Training	Standard Level Deficiency *(Modified as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 17: Training Requirements:** The purpose of this chapter is to outline requirements for completing, reporting and documenting DDSD training requirements for DD Waiver Provider Agencies as well as requirements for certified trainers or mentors of DDSD Core curriculum training. **17.1 Training Requirements for Direct Support Personnel and Direct Support Supervisors:** Direct Support Personnel (DSP) and Direct Support Supervisors (DSS) include staff and contractors from agencies providing the following services: Supported Living, Family Living, CIHS, IMLS, CCS, CIE and Crisis Supports. 1. DSP/DSS must successfully: a. Complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported and as outlined in 17.10 Individual-Specific Training below. b. Complete training on DOH-approved ANE reporting procedures in accordance with NMAC 7.1.14 c. Complete training in universal precautions. The training materials shall meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements d. Complete and maintain certification in First Aid and CPR. The training materials shall meet OSHA requirements/guidelines. e. Complete relevant training in accordance with OSHA requirements (if job involves exposure to hazardous chemicals). f. Become certified in a DDSD-approved system of crisis prevention and intervention (e.g., MANDT, Handle with Care, CPI) before using EPR. Agency DSP and DSS shall maintain certification	Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure that Individual Specific Training requirements were met for 2 of 100 Agency Personnel. Review of personnel records found no evidence of the following: **Direct Support Personnel (DSP):** • Individual Specific Training (#509, 586)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

in a DDSD-approved system if any person they support has a BCIP that includes the use of EPR. g. Complete and maintain certification in a DDSD-approved medication course if required to assist with medication delivery. h. Complete training regarding the HIPAA. 2. Any staff being used in an emergency to fill in or cover a shift must have at a minimum the DDSD required core trainings and be on shift with a DSP who has completed the relevant IST. **17.10 Individual-Specific Training:** The following are elements of IST: defined standards of performance, curriculum tailored to teach skills and knowledge necessary to meet those standards of performance, and formal examination or demonstration to verify standards of performance, using the established DDSD training levels of awareness, knowledge, and skill. Reaching an **awareness level** may be accomplished by reading plans or other information. The trainee is cognizant of information related to a person's specific condition. Verbal or written recall of basic information or knowing where to access the information can verify awareness. Reaching a **knowledge level** may take the form of observing a plan in action, reading a plan more thoroughly, or having a plan described by the author or their designee. Verbal or written recall or demonstration may verify this level of competence. Reaching a **skill level** involves being trained by a therapist, nurse, designated or experienced designated trainer. The trainer shall demonstrate the techniques according to the plan. Then they observe and provide feedback to the trainee as they implement the techniques. This should be repeated until competence is demonstrated. Demonstration of skill or observed implementation of the techniques or strategies verifies skill level			

competence. Trainees should be observed on more than one occasion to ensure appropriate techniques are maintained and to provide additional coaching/feedback. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified Provider Agency personnel who must successfully complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported. 1. IST must be arranged and conducted at least annually. IST includes training on the ISP Desired Outcomes, Action Plans, strategies, and information about the person's preferences regarding privacy, communication style, and routines. More frequent training may be necessary if the annual ISP changes before the year ends. 2. IST for therapy-related WDSI, HCPs, MERPs, CARMPs, PBSA, PBSP, and BCIP, must occur at least annually and more often if plans change, or if monitoring by the plan author or agency finds incorrect implementation, when new DSP or CM are assigned to work with a person, or when an existing DSP or CM requires a refresher. 3. The competency level of the training is based on the IST section of the ISP. 4. The person should be present for and involved in IST whenever possible. 5. Provider Agencies are responsible for tracking of IST requirements. 6. Provider Agencies must arrange and ensure that DSP's are trained on the contents of the plans in accordance with timelines indicated in the Individual-Specific Training Requirements: Support Plans section of the ISP and notify the plan authors when new DSP are hired to arrange for trainings. 7. If a therapist, BSC, nurse, or other author of a plan, healthcare or otherwise, chooses to designate a trainer, that person is still responsible for providing the curriculum to the designated trainer. The author of the plan is also responsible for ensuring the designated trainer is verifying			

competency in alignment with their curriculum, doing periodic quality assurance checks with their designated trainer, and re-certifying the designated trainer at least annually and/or when there is a change to a person's plan. **17.10.1 IST Training Rosters:** IST Training Rosters are required for all IST trainings: 1. IST Training Rosters must include: a. the name of the person receiving DD Waiver services; b. the date of the training; c. IST topic for the training; d. the signature of each trainee; e. the role of each trainee (e.g., CIHS staff, CIE staff, family, etc.); and f. the signature and title or role of the trainer. 2. A competency based training roster (required for CARMPs) includes all information above but also includes the level of training (awareness, knowledge, or skilled) the trainee has attained. (See Chapter 5.5 Aspiration Risk Management for more details about CARMPs.) 3. A copy of the training roster is submitted to the agency employing the staff trained within seven calendar days of the training date. The original is retained by the trainer.			

Tag # 1A43.1 General Events Reporting: Individual Reporting	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 19: Provider Reporting Requirements:** **19.2 General Events Reporting (GER):** The purpose of General Events Reporting (GER) is to report, track and analyze events, which pose a risk to adults in the DD Waiver program, but do not meet criteria for ANE or other reportable incidents as defined by the IMB. Analysis of GER is intended to identify emerging patterns so that preventative action can be taken at the individual, Provider Agency, regional and statewide level. On a quarterly and annual basis, DDSD analyzes GER data at the provider, regional and statewide levels to identify any patterns that warrant intervention. Provider Agency use of GER in Therap is required as follows: 1. DD Waiver Provider Agencies approved to provide Customized In-Home Supports, Family Living, IMLS, Supported Living, Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment, Adult Nursing and Case Management must use GER in the Therap system. 2. DD Waiver Provider Agencies referenced above are responsible for entering specified information into the GER section of the secure website operated under contract by Therap according to the GER Reporting Requirements in Appendix B GER Requirements. 3. At the Provider Agency's discretion additional events, which are not required by DDSD, may also be tracked within the GER section of Therap. 4. GER does not replace a Provider Agency's obligations to report ANE or other	Based on record review, the Agency did not follow the General Events Reporting requirements as indicated by the policy for 9 of 15 individuals. **The following General Events Reporting records contained evidence that indicated the General Events Report was not entered and approved within 2 business days:** **Individual #1** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/25/2017 the Individual received an unspecified injury. (Injury). GER was approved 8/1/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/15/2017 the Individual tripped. (Injury). GER was approved 8/24/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 11/20/2017 the Individual had a cut on his chin. (Injury). GER was approved 11/29/2017. **Individual #2** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/1/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was at RUST Medical center. (Hospital). GER was approved 5/4/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/29/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Kaseman Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 6/9/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

reportable incidents as described in Chapter 18: Incident Management System. 5. GER does not replace a Provider Agency's obligations related to healthcare coordination, modifications to the ISP, or any other risk management and QI activities. **Appendix B GER Requirements:** DDSD is pleased to introduce the revised General Events Reporting (GER), requirements. There are two important changes related to medication error reporting: 1. *Effective immediately*, DDSD requires ALL medication errors be entered into Therap GER with the exception of those required to be reported to Division of Health Improvement-Incident Management Bureau. 2. No alternative methods for reporting are permitted. **The following events need to be reported in the Therap GER:** • Emergency Room/Urgent Care/Emergency Medical Services • Falls Without Injury • Injury (including Falls, Choking, Skin Breakdown and Infection) • Law Enforcement Use • Medication Errors • Medication Documentation Errors • Missing Person/Elopement • Out of Home Placement- Medical: Hospitalization, Long Term Care, Skilled Nursing or Rehabilitation Facility Admission • PRN Psychotropic Medication • Restraint Related to Behavior • Suicide Attempt or Threat **Entry Guidance:** Provider Agencies must complete the following sections of the GER	taken to hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 6/25/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Rust Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 6/27/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 6/28/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Rust Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/4/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Lovelace Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/6/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 8/10/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/13/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/15/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 7/26/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/18/2017 the Individual had a seizure and		

with detailed information: profile information, event information, other event information, general information, notification, actions taken or planned, and the review follow up comments section. Please attach any pertinent external documents such as discharge summary, medical consultation form, etc. Provider Agencies must enter and approve GERs within 2 business days with the exception of Medication Errors which must be entered into GER on at least a monthly basis.	was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 8/10/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/24/2017 the Individual had a seizure while at Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 8/10/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/27/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 8/10/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/5/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was approved 8/10/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/8/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 8/24/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/9/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/10/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/14/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 8/24/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/16/2017 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was approved 8/24/2017.		

	• General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/22/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/23/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to V.A. Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/25/2017 the Individual had an anxiety attack and was taken to Lovelace Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/27/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Sandoval Regional Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/29/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to V.A. Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/30/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 9/9/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Cibola General Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/11/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 9/15/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 9/20/2017.		

	• General Events Report (GER) indicates on 10/15/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 10/23/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 10/18/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 10/23/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 10/28/2017 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was approved 11/3/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 11/19/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 11/29/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 10/24/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 11/29/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 11/25/2017 the Individual was injured while training her horse. (Injury). GER was approved 11/29/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 11/26/2017 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was approved 11/29/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 12/2/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 12/12/2017.		

	• General Events Report (GER) indicates on 12/5/2017 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 12/12/2017. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 1/2/2018 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 1/5/2018. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 1/9/2018 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was approved 1/12/2018. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 1/18/2018 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to UNMH. (Hospital). GER was approved 1/23/2018. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 3/31/2018 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Kaseman Hospital. (Hospital). GER was approved 4/10/2018. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 4/4/2018 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was approved 4/10/2018. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 4/24/2018 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital. (Hospital). GER was pending approval. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/6/2018 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS		

	without admission). GER was approved 5/14/2018. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/10/2018 the Individual was AWOL. (AWOL/Missing person). GER was pending approval. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/11/2018 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was pending approval. • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/13/2018 the Individual had a seizure and Emergency Services were called. (EMS without admission). GER was pending approval. **Individual #6** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 10/13/2017 the Individual was taken to Emergency Room for a small opening in an incision site (ER). GER was approved 11/3/2017. **Individual #9** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 4/9/2018 the Individual was injured while playing volleyball. (Injury). GER was approved 4/12/2018. **Individual #11** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 5/14/2017 the Individual fell and bumped his head. (Fall without Injury). GER was approved 5/24/2017. **Individual #13**		

	• General Events Report (GER) indicates on 9/15/2017 the Individual was taken to the Emergency Room for complaints of chest pain. (ER). GER was approved 9/20/2017. **Individual #14** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 10/16/2017 the Individual cut herself while chopping tomatoes. (Injury). GER was approved 10/24/2017. **Individual #15** • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 12/13/2017 the Individual was AWOL. (AWOL/Missing person). GER was approved 12/18/2017. **The following events were not reported in the General Events Reporting System as required by policy:** **Individual #2** • Documentation reviewed indicates on 5/10/2018 the Individual had a seizure and was taken to Presbyterian Hospital (Hospital). No GER was found. **Individual #8** • Documentation reviewed indicates on 2/22/2018 the Individual fell and was seen in the Emergency Department (Injury). No GER was found. **Individual #13** • Documentation reviewed indicates on 1/3/2018 the Individual was seen in Urgent Care (Other). No GER was found. • Documentation reviewed indicates on 3/7/2018 the Individual was seen in Urgent Care (Other). No GER was found.		

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Health and Welfare – *The state, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent occurrences of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Individuals shall be afforded their basic human rights. The provider supports individuals to access needed healthcare services in a timely manner.*			
Tag # 1A08.2 Administrative Case File: Healthcare Requirements & Follow-up	**Standard Level Deficiency** *(Modified as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 3 Safeguards: 3.1.1 *Decision Consultation Process (DCP):*** Health decisions are the sole domain of waiver participants, their guardians or healthcare decision makers. Participants and their healthcare decision makers can confidently make decisions that are compatible with their personal and cultural values. Provider Agencies are required to support the informed decision making of waiver participants by supporting access to medical consultation, information, and other available resources according to the following: 1. The DCP is used when a person or his/her guardian/healthcare decision maker has concerns, needs more information about health-related issues, or has decided not to follow all or part of an order, recommendation, or suggestion. This includes, but is not limited to: a. medical orders or recommendations from the Primary Care Practitioner, Specialists or other licensed medical or healthcare practitioners such as a Nurse Practitioner (NP or CNP), Physician Assistant (PA) or Dentist; b. clinical recommendations made by registered/licensed clinicians who are either members of the IDT or clinicians who have performed an evaluation such as a video-fluoroscopy; c. health related recommendations or suggestions from oversight activities such	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 2 of 15 individuals receiving Living Care Arrangements and Community Inclusion. 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):*** **Dental Exam:** • Individual #1 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, exam was completed on 12/5/2017. Follow-up was to be completed in 4 months. No evidence of follow-up found. (Note: Exam was scheduled for 6/5/2018 during on-site survey.) • Individual #12 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, exam was completed on 11/1/2017. Follow-up was to be completed to discuss dental needs. No evidence of follow-up found. (Note: Exam was scheduled for 5/23/2018 during on-site survey.) **Blood Levels:** • Individual #1 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, lab work was ordered	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

as the Individual Quality Review (IQR) or other DOH review or oversight activities; and d. recommendations made through a Healthcare Plan (HCP), including a Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan (CARMP), or another plan. 2. When the person/guardian disagrees with a recommendation or does not agree with the implementation of that recommendation, Provider Agencies follow the DCP and attend the meeting coordinated by the CM. During this meeting: a. Providers inform the person/guardian of the rationale for that recommendation, so that the benefit is made clear. This will be done in layman's terms and will include basic sharing of information designed to assist the person/guardian with understanding the risks and benefits of the recommendation. b. The information will be focused on the specific area of concern by the person/guardian. Alternatives should be presented, when available, if the guardian is interested in considering other options for implementation. c. Providers support the person/guardian to make an informed decision. d. The decision made by the person/guardian during the meeting is accepted; plans are modified; and the IDT honors this health decision in every setting. **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records:** **20.2 Client Records Requirements:** All DD	on 7/20/2017 and 12/20/2017. No evidence of lab results was found.		

Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced. The extent of documentation required for individual client records per service type depends on the location of the file, the type of service being provided, and the information necessary. DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to adhere to the following: 1. Client records must contain all documents essential to the service being provided and essential to ensuring the health and safety of the person during the provision of the service. 2. Provider Agencies must have readily accessible records in home and community settings in paper or electronic form. Secure access to electronic records through the Therap web based system using computers or mobile devices is acceptable. 3. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring that all plans created by nurses, RDs, therapists or BSCs are present in all needed settings. 4. Provider Agencies must maintain records of all documents produced by agency personnel or contractors on behalf of each person, including any routine notes or data, annual assessments, semi-annual reports, evidence of training provided/received, progress notes, and any other interactions for which billing is generated. 5. Each Provider Agency is responsible for maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency. 6. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the			

minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community. 7. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services. **20.5.3 *Health Passport and Physician Consultation Form:*** All Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies must use the *Health Passport* and *Physician Consultation* form from the Therap system. This standardized document contains individual, physician and emergency contact information, a complete list of current medical diagnoses, health and safety risk factors, allergies, and information regarding insurance, guardianship, and advance directives. The *Health Passport* also includes a standardized form to use at medical appointments called the *Physician Consultation* form. The *Physician Consultation* form contains a list of all current medications. **Chapter 10: Living Care Arrangements (LCA) Living Supports-Supported Living: 10.3.9.6.1 Monitoring and Supervision** 4. Ensure and document the following: a. The person has a Primary Care Practitioner. b. The person receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as recommended by a Primary Care Practitioner or specialist. c. The person receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as recommended by a licensed dentist.			

d. The person receives a hearing test as recommended by a licensed audiologist. e. The person receives eye examinations as recommended by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist. 5. Agency activities occur as required for follow-up activities to medical appointments (e.g. treatment, visits to specialists, and changes in medication or daily routine). **10.3.10.1 Living Care Arrangements (LCA) Living Supports-IMLS:** **10.3.10.2 General Requirements:** 9 . Medical services must be ensured (i.e., ensure each person has a licensed Primary Care Practitioner and receives an annual physical examination, specialty medical care as needed, and annual dental checkup by a licensed dentist). **Chapter 13 Nursing Services: 13.2.3 General Requirements:** 1. Each person has a licensed primary care practitioner and receives an annual physical examination and specialty medical/dental care as needed. Nurses communicate with these providers to share current health information. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **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. **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.			

Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency *(Upheld as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records** **20.6 Medication Administration Record (MAR):** A current Medication Administration Record (MAR) must be maintained in all settings where medications or treatments are delivered. Family Living Providers may opt not to use MARs if they are the sole provider who supports the person with medications or treatments. However, if there are services provided by unrelated DSP, ANS for Medication Oversight must be budgeted, and a MAR must be created and used by the DSP. Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies are responsible for: 1. Creating and maintaining either an electronic or paper MAR in their service setting. Provider Agencies may use the MAR in Therap, but are not mandated to do so. 2. Continually communicating any changes about medications and treatments between Provider Agencies to assure health and safety. 7. Including the following on the MAR: a. The name of the person, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's orders including the brand and generic names for all ordered routine and PRN medications or treatments, and the diagnoses for which the medications or treatments are prescribed; b. The prescribed dosage, frequency and method or route of administration; times and dates of administration for all ordered routine or PRN	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of April and May 2018. Based on record review, 4 of 15 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors: Individual #2 April 2018 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • AZO Cranberry 250mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM) • Flaxseed Oil 1,000mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM) • Flovent HFA 110 mcg (2 times daily) – Blank 4/26 (8:00 PM) • Flovent HFA 110mcg (2 times daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM) • Hydroxyzine HCL 25mg (3 times daily) – Blank 4/26 (8:00 PM) • Hydroxyzine HCL 25mg (3 times daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM) • Lamictal 200mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

prescriptions or treatments; over the counter (OTC) or "comfort" medications or treatments and all self-selected herbal or vitamin therapy; c. Documentation of all time limited or discontinued medications or treatments; d. The initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery and a signature page or electronic record that designates the full name corresponding to the initials; e. Documentation of refused, missed, or held medications or treatments; f. Documentation of any allergic reaction that occurred due to medication or treatments; and g. For PRN medications or treatments: i. instructions for the use of the PRN medication or treatment which must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication or treatment is to be used and the number of doses that may be used in a 24-hour period; ii. clear documentation that the DSP contacted the agency nurse prior to assisting with the medication or treatment, unless the DSP is a Family Living Provider related by affinity of consanguinity; and iii. documentation of the effectiveness of the PRN medication or treatment. **Chapter 10 Living Care Arrangements** ***10.3.4 Medication Assessment and Delivery:*** Living Supports Provider Agencies must support and comply with: 1. the processes identified in the DDSD AWMD	• Multivitamin Chewable (1 time daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM) • Pantprazole Sod DR 40mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/30 (8:00 AM) • Singulair 10mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/26 (8:00 PM) • Topiramate 100mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/26 (8:00 PM) • Trazodone 150mg (1 time daily) – Blank 4/26 (8:00 PM) Individual #7 April 2018 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Miralax Powder 17 grams (2 times daily) – Blank 4/8/18 (5:00 PM) Individual #13 May 2018 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Abilify 30mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/3 and 5/15 (8:00 AM) and Blank 5/8,11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Cleocin T 1% (2 times daily) – Blank 5/11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Clomipramine 50mg (1 time daily) – Blank 5/8,11 and 13 (8:00 PM)		

training; 2. the nursing and DSP functions identified in the Chapter 13.3 Part 2- Adult Nursing Services; 3. all Board of Pharmacy regulations as noted in Chapter 16.5 Board of Pharmacy; and 4. documentation requirements in a Medication Administration Record (MAR) as described in Chapter 20.6 Medication Administration Record (MAR). **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.	• CO Q-10 100mg (2 capsules) (1 time daily) – Blank 5/3 (8:00 AM) • Complex B-100 (1 time daily) – Blank 5/3 (8:00 AM) • Lamotrigine 200mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/8, 11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Lithium Carbonate 300mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/8, 11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Melatonin 3mg (1 time daily) – Blank 5/8, 11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • N-Acetyl-L-Cysteine 600mg (1 time daily) – Blank 5/8, 11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Omega-3 1,000mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/8, 11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Ranitidine 300mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/8, 11 and 13 (8:00 PM) • Sunscreen SPF 15 or higher (3 times daily) – Blank 5/4, 7, 13, 14 (12:00 PM) and 5/11, 13 and 14 (4:00 PM) • Vitamin D3 50,000units (weekly on Thursday) – Blank 5/3 due on 5/10 given on 5/11 (8:00 AM) • Zinc 50mg (1 time daily) – Blank 5/3 (8:00 AM) Individual #14 May 2018 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries:		

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.	• Bupropion HCL SR 150mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM and 4:00pm) • Flovent 100mcg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM) • Fluoxetine HCL 40mg (1 time daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM) • Larin FE (1 time daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM) • Risperdal 0.5mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM) • Risperdal 0.5mg (2 times daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM) • Tab-A-Vite with Iron (1 time daily) – Blank 5/14 (8:00 AM)		

Tag # 1A09.1 Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration	Standard Level Deficiency *(Modified as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records** **20.6 Medication Administration Record (MAR):** A current Medication Administration Record (MAR) must be maintained in all settings where medications or treatments are delivered. Family Living Providers may opt not to use MARs if they are the sole provider who supports the person with medications or treatments. However, if there are services provided by unrelated DSP, ANS for Medication Oversight must be budgeted, and a MAR must be created and used by the DSP. Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies are responsible for: 1. Creating and maintaining either an electronic or paper MAR in their service setting. Provider Agencies may use the MAR in Therap, but are not mandated to do so. 2. Continually communicating any changes about medications and treatments between Provider Agencies to assure health and safety. 7. Including the following on the MAR: a. The name of the person, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's orders including the brand and generic names for all ordered routine and PRN medications or treatments, and the diagnoses for which the medications or treatments are prescribed; b. The prescribed dosage, frequency and method or route of administration; times and dates of administration for all ordered routine or PRN	Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of April and May 2018. Based on record review, 1 of 15 individuals had PRN Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing elements as required by standard: Individual #15 May 2018 No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication: • Acetaminophen 325mg – PRN – 5/4 (given 1 time)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

prescriptions or treatments; over the counter (OTC) or "comfort" medications or treatments and all self-selected herbal or vitamin therapy; c. Documentation of all time limited or discontinued medications or treatments; d. The initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery and a signature page or electronic record that designates the full name corresponding to the initials; e. Documentation of refused, missed, or held medications or treatments; f. Documentation of any allergic reaction that occurred due to medication or treatments; and g. For PRN medications or treatments: i. instructions for the use of the PRN medication or treatment which must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication or treatment is to be used and the number of doses that may be used in a 24-hour period; ii. clear documentation that the DSP contacted the agency nurse prior to assisting with the medication or treatment, unless the DSP is a Family Living Provider related by affinity of consanguinity; and iii. documentation of the effectiveness of the PRN medication or treatment. **Chapter 10 Living Care Arrangements** ***10.3.4 Medication Assessment and Delivery:*** Living Supports Provider Agencies must support and comply with: 1. the processes identified in the DDSD			

AWMD training; 2. the nursing and DSP functions identified in the Chapter 13.3 Part 2- Adult Nursing Services; 3. all Board of Pharmacy regulations as noted in Chapter 16.5 Board of Pharmacy; and 4. documentation requirements in a Medication Administration Record (MAR) as described in Chapter 20.6 Medication Administration Record (MAR). **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 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.			

Tag # 1A09.1.0 Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration	Standard Level Deficiency		
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prescriptions or treatments; over the counter (OTC) or "comfort" medications or treatments and all self-selected herbal or vitamin therapy; c. Documentation of all time limited or discontinued medications or treatments; d. The initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery and a signature page or electronic record that designates the full name corresponding to the initials; e. Documentation of refused, missed, or held medications or treatments; f. Documentation of any allergic reaction that occurred due to medication or treatments; and g. For PRN medications or treatments: i. instructions for the use of the PRN medication or treatment which must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication or treatment is to be used and the number of doses that may be used in a 24-hour period; ii. clear documentation that the DSP contacted the agency nurse prior to assisting with the medication or treatment, unless the DSP is a Family Living Provider related by affinity of consanguinity; and iii. documentation of the effectiveness of the PRN medication or treatment. **Chapter 10 Living Care Arrangements** ***10.3.4 Medication Assessment and Delivery:*** Living Supports Provider Agencies must support and comply with: 1. the processes identified in the DDSD			

AWMD training; 2. the nursing and DSP functions identified in the Chapter 13.3 Part 2- Adult Nursing Services; 3. all Board of Pharmacy regulations as noted in Chapter 16.5 Board of Pharmacy; and 4. documentation requirements in a Medication Administration Record (MAR) as described in Chapter 20.6 Medication Administration Record (MAR).			

Tag # 1A09.2 Medication Delivery Nurse Approval for PRN Medication	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency *(Upheld as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 13 Nursing Services:** ***13.2.12 Medication Delivery:*** Nurses are required to: 1. Be aware of the New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations. 2. Communicate with the Primary Care Practitioner and relevant specialists regarding medications and any concerns with medications or side effects. 3. Educate the person, guardian, family, and IDT regarding the use and implications of medications as needed. 4. Administer medications when required, such as intravenous medications; other specific injections; via NG tube; non-premixed nebulizer treatments or new prescriptions that have an ordered assessment. 5. Monitor the MAR or treatment records at least monthly for accuracy, PRN use and errors. 6. Respond to calls requesting delivery of PRNs from AWMD trained DSP and non-related (surrogate or host) Family Living Provider Agencies. 7. Assure that orders for PRN medications or treatments have: a. clear instructions for use; b. observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used or withheld; and c. documentation of the response to and effectiveness of the PRN medication administered. 8. Monitor the person's response to the use of routine or PRN pain medication and contact the prescriber as needed regarding its effectiveness. 9. Assure clear documentation when PRN	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation of PRN authorization as required by standard for 2 of 15 Individuals. Individual #2 April 2018 No documentation of the verbal authorization from the Agency nurse prior to each administration/assistance of PRN medication was found for the following PRN medication: • Diphenhydramine 25mg – PRN – 4/24 (given 1 time) No documentation of the verbal authorization from the Agency nurse prior to each administration/assistance of PRN medication was found for the following PRN medication: • Diphenhydramine 25mg – PRN – 4/26 (given 1 time) May 2018 No documentation of the verbal authorization from the Agency nurse prior to each administration/assistance of PRN medication was found for the following PRN medication: • Acetaminophen 325mg – PRN – 5/1 (given 1 time) No documentation of the verbal authorization from the Agency nurse prior to each administration/assistance of PRN medication was found for the following PRN medication:	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

medications are used, to include: a. DSP contact with nurse prior to assisting with medication. i. The only exception to prior consultation with the agency nurse is to administer selected emergency medications as listed on the Publications section of the DOH-DDSD -Clinical Services Website https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/clinical/. b. Nursing instructions for use of the medication. c. Nursing follow-up on the results of the PRN use. d. When the nurse administers the PRN medication, the reasons why the medications were given and the person's response to the medication.	• Acetaminophen 325mg – PRN – 5/2 (given 1 time) Individual #9 May 2018 No documentation of the verbal authorization from the Agency nurse prior to each administration/assistance of PRN medication was found for the following PRN medication: • Lorazepam 05mg – PRN – 5/2/2018 (given 1 time)		

Tag # 1A31 Client Rights/Human Rights	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency *(Upheld as result of Pilot 1)*		
NMAC 7.26.3.11 RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATION OF CLIENT'S RIGHTS: A. A service provider shall not restrict or limit a client's rights except: (1) where the restriction or limitation is allowed in an emergency and is necessary to prevent imminent risk of physical harm to the client or another person; or (2) where the interdisciplinary team has determined that the client's limited capacity to exercise the right threatens his or her physical safety; or (3) as provided for in Section 10.1.14 [now Subsection N of 7.26.3.10 NMAC]. B. Any emergency intervention to prevent physical harm shall be reasonable to prevent harm, shall be the least restrictive intervention necessary to meet the emergency, shall be allowed no longer than necessary and shall be subject to interdisciplinary team (IDT) review. The IDT upon completion of its review may refer its findings to the office of quality assurance. The emergency intervention may be subject to review by the service provider's behavioral support committee or human rights committee in accordance with the behavioral support policies or other department regulation or policy. C. The service provider may adopt reasonable program policies of general applicability to clients served by that service provider that do not violate client rights. [09/12/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01] Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure the rights of Individuals was not restricted or limited for 1 of 15 Individuals. A review of Agency Individual files indicated Human Rights Committee Approval was required for restrictions. No evidence found of Human Rights Committee approval for the following: • Physical Restraint (will volunteer after stealing anything worth more than ten dollars (cash or tangible items) and write a letter of apology. Last Review was dated 12/14/2017. *Note: HRC Committee reviewed on* **3/16/2017, 9/21/2017 and 12/14/2017** *and did not approved. A recommendation was made for removal of this on the BSC plan. Restriction remains on plan dated 1/19/2018.* (Individual #12)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

Chapter 2: Human Rights: Civil rights apply to everyone, including all waiver participants, family members, guardians, natural supports, and Provider Agencies. Everyone has a responsibility to make sure those rights are not violated. All Provider Agencies play a role in person-centered planning (PCP) and have an obligation to contribute to the planning process, always focusing on how to best support the person. **Chapter 3 Safeguards:** ***3.3.1 HRC Procedural Requirements:*** 1. An invitation to participate in the HRC meeting of a rights restriction review will be given to the person (regardless of verbal or cognitive ability), his/her guardian, and/or a family member (if desired by the person), and the Behavior Support Consultant (BSC) at least 10 working days prior to the meeting (except for in emergency situations). If the person (and/or the guardian) does not wish to attend, his/her stated preferences may be brought to the meeting by someone whom the person chooses as his/her representative. 2. The Provider Agencies that are seeking to temporarily limit the person's right(s) (e.g., Living Supports, Community Inclusion, or BSC) are required to support the person's informed consent regarding the rights restriction, as well as their timely participation in the review. 3. The plan's author, designated staff (e.g., agency service coordinator) and/or the CM makes a written or oral presentation to the HRC. 4. The results of the HRC review are reported in writing to the person supported, the guardian, the BSC, the mental health or other specialized therapy provider, and the CM within three working days of the meeting. 5. HRC committees are required to meet at least on a quarterly basis. 6. A quorum to conduct an HRC meeting is at least three voting members eligible to vote in each situation and at least one must be a community member at large.			

7. HRC members who are directly involved in the services provided to the person must excuse themselves from voting in that situation. Each HRC is required to have a provision for emergency approval of rights restrictions based upon credible threats of harm against self or others that may arise between scheduled HRC meetings (e.g., locking up sharp knives after a serious attempt to injure self or others or a disclosure, with a credible plan, to seriously injure or kill someone). The confidential and HIPAA compliant emergency meeting may be via telephone, video or conference call, or secure email. Procedures may include an initial emergency phone meeting, and a subsequent follow-up emergency meeting in complex and/or ongoing situations. 8. The HRC with primary responsibility for implementation of the rights restriction will record all meeting minutes on an individual basis, i.e., each meeting discussion for an individual will be recorded separately, and minutes of all meetings will be retained at the agency for at least six years from the final date of continuance of the restriction. ***3.3.3 HRC and Behavioral Support:*** The HRC reviews temporary restrictions of rights that are related to medical issues or health and safety considerations such as decreased mobility (e.g., the use of bed rails due to risk of falling during the night while getting out of bed). However, other temporary restrictions may be implemented because of health and safety considerations arising from behavioral issues. Positive Behavioral Supports (PBS) are mandated and used when behavioral support is needed and desired by the person and/or the IDT. PBS emphasizes the acquisition and maintenance of positive skills (e.g. building healthy relationships) to increase the person's quality of life understanding that a natural reduction in other challenging behaviors will follow. At times, aversive interventions may be temporarily included as a part of a person's behavioral support			

(usually in the BCIP), and therefore, need to be reviewed prior to implementation as well as periodically while the restrictive intervention is in place. PBSPs not containing aversive interventions do not require HRC review or approval. Plans (e.g., ISPs, PBSPs, BCIPs PPMPs, and/or RMPs) that contain any aversive interventions are submitted to the HRC in advance of a meeting, except in emergency situations. **3.3.4 Interventions Requiring HRC Review and Approval:** HRCs must review prior to implementation, any plans (e.g. ISPs, PBSPs, BCIPs and/or PPMPs, RMPs), with strategies, including but not limited to: 1. response cost; 2. restitution; 3. emergency physical restraint (EPR); 4. routine use of law enforcement as part of a BCIP; 5. routine use of emergency hospitalization procedures as part of a BCIP; 6. use of point systems; 7. use of intense, highly structured, and specialized treatment strategies, including level systems with response cost or failure to earn components; 8. a 1:1 staff to person ratio for behavioral reasons, or, very rarely, a 2:1 staff to person ratio for behavioral or medical reasons; 9. use of PRN psychotropic medications; 10. use of protective devices for behavioral purposes (e.g., helmets for head banging, Posey gloves for biting hand); 11. use of bed rails; 12. use of a device and/or monitoring system through PST may impact the person's privacy or other rights; or 13. use of any alarms to alert staff to a person's whereabouts. **3.4 Emergency Physical Restraint (EPR):**			

Every person shall be free from the use of restrictive physical crisis intervention measures that are unnecessary. Provider Agencies who support people who may occasionally need intervention such as Emergency Physical Restraint (EPR) are required to institute procedures to maximize safety. ***3.4.5 Human Rights Committee:*** The HRC reviews use of EPR. The BCIP may not be implemented without HRC review and approval whenever EPR or other restrictive measure(s) are included. Provider Agencies with an HRC are required to ensure that the HRCs: 1. participate in training regarding required constitution and oversight activities for HRCs; 2. review any BCIP, that include the use of EPR; 3. occur at least annually, occur in any quarter where EPR is used, and occur whenever any change to the BCIP is considered; 4. maintain HRC minutes approving or disallowing the use of EPR as written in a BCIP; and 5. maintain HRC minutes of meetings reviewing the implementation of the BCIP when EPR is used.			

Tag # 1A33 Board of Pharmacy: Med. Storage	Standard Level Deficiency		
New Mexico Board of Pharmacy Model Custodial Drug Procedures Manual **E. Medication Storage:** 1. Prescription drugs will be stored in a locked cabinet and the key will be in the care of the administrator or designee. 2. Drugs to be taken by mouth will be separate from all other dosage forms. 3. A locked compartment will be available in the refrigerator for those items labeled "Keep in Refrigerator." The temperature will be kept in the 36°F - 46°F range. An accurate thermometer will be kept in the refrigerator to verify temperature. 4. Separate compartments are required for each resident's medication. 5. All medication will be stored according to their individual requirement or in the absence of temperature and humidity requirements, controlled room temperature (68-77°F) and protected from light. Storage requirements are in effect 24 hours a day. 6. Medication no longer in use, unwanted, outdated, or adulterated will be placed in a quarantine area in the locked medication cabinet and held for destruction by the consultant pharmacist. **8. References** A. Adequate drug references shall be available for facility staff **H. Controlled Substances (Perpetual Count Requirement)** 1. Separate accountability or proof-of-use sheets shall be maintained, for each controlled substance, indicating the following information: a. date	Based on observation, the Agency did not to ensure proper storage of medication for 1 of 9 individuals. Observation included: Individual #14 • Ventolin HFA 200mcg: expired 4/28/2018. Expired medication was not kept separate from other medications as required by Board of Pharmacy Procedures.	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

b. time administered c. name of patient d. dose e. practitioner's name f. signature of person administering or assisting with the administration the dose g. balance of controlled substance remaining. **NMAC 16.19.11 DRUG CONTROL** **(a)** All state and federal laws relating to storage, administration and disposal of controlled substances and dangerous drugs shall be complied with. **(b)** Separate sheets shall be maintained for controlled substances records indicating the following information for each type and strength of controlled substances: date, time administered, name of patient, dose, physician's name, signature of person administering dose, and balance of controlled substance in the container. **(c)** All drugs shall be stored in locked cabinets, locked drug rooms, or state of the art locked medication carts. **(d)** Medication requiring refrigeration shall be kept in a secure locked area of the refrigerator or in the locked drug room. **(e)** All refrigerated medications will be kept in separate refrigerator or compartment from food items. **(f)** Medications for each patient shall be kept and stored in their originally received containers, and stored in separate compartments. Transfer between containers is forbidden, waiver shall be allowed for oversize containers and controlled substances at the discretion of the drug inspector. **(g)** Prescription medications for external use shall be kept in a locked cabinet separate from other medications.			

(h) No drug samples shall be stocked in the licensed facility. **(i)** All drugs shall be properly labeled with the following information: **(i)** Patient's full name; **(ii)** Physician's name; **(iii)** Name, address and phone number of pharmacy; **(iv)** Prescription number; **(v)** Name of the drug and quantity; **(vi)** Strength of drug and quantity; **(vii)** Directions for use, route of administration; **(viii)** Date of prescription (date of refill in case of a prescription renewal); **(ix)** Expiration date where applicable: The dispenser shall place on the label a suitable beyond-use date to limit the patient's use of the medication. Such beyond-use date shall be not later than (a) the expiration date on the manufacturer's container, or (b) one year from the date the drug is dispensed, whichever is earlier; **(x)** Auxiliary labels where applicable; **(xi)** The Manufacturer's name; **(xii)** State of the art drug delivery systems using unit of use packaging require items i and ii above, provided that any additional information is readily available at the nursing station.			

Tag # LS25 Residential Health & Safety (Supported Living & Family Living)	Standard Level Deficiency *(Modified as result of Pilot 1)*		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 10: Living Care Arrangements (LCA)** **10.3.6 Requirements for Each Residence:** Provider Agencies must assure that each residence is clean, safe, and comfortable, and each residence accommodates individual daily living, social and leisure activities. In addition, the Provider Agency must ensure the residence: 1. has basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water, and telephone; 2. has a battery operated or electric smoke detectors or a sprinkler system, carbon monoxide detectors, and fire extinguisher; 3. has a general-purpose first aid kit; 4. has accessible written documentation of evacuation drills occurring at least three times a year overall, one time a year for each shift; 5. has water temperature that does not exceed a safe temperature (110^0 F); 6. has safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each person that are consistent with the Assistance with Medication (AWMD) training or each person's ISP; 7. has an emergency placement plan for relocation of people in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy; 8. has emergency evacuation procedures that address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding; 9. supports environmental modifications and assistive technology devices, including modifications to the bathroom (i.e., shower chairs, grab bars, walk in shower, raised toilets,	Based on observation, the Agency did not ensure that each individuals' residence met all requirements within the standard for 6 of 8 Supported Living and Family Living residences. Review of the residential records and observation of the residence revealed the following items were not found, not functioning or incomplete: **Supported Living Requirements:** • Water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110^0 F) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 135.7^0 F (#1) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 119.8^0 F (#6, 15) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 127.2^0 F (#7) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 128.0^0 F (#11) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 112^0 F (#12, 13) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 132.7^0 F (#14) • General-purpose first aid kit (#11) • Accessible written procedures for emergency evacuation e.g. fire and weather-related threats (#1, 6, 14, 15)	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

etc.) based on the unique needs of the individual in consultation with the IDT; 10. has or arranges for necessary equipment for bathing and transfers to support health and safety with consultation from therapists as needed; 11. has the phone number for poison control within line of site of the telephone; 12. has general household appliances, and kitchen and dining utensils; 13. has proper food storage and cleaning supplies; 14. has adequate food for three meals a day and individual preferences; and 15. has at least two bathrooms for residences with more than two residents. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **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 residence is maintained to be clean, safe and comfortable and accommodates the individuals' 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;	• Accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures shall address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding (#6, 14, 15) *Note: The following Individuals share a residence:* ➢ #6, 15 ➢ #12, 13		

c. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system; d. Have a general-purpose first aid kit; 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; f. Have accessible written documentation of actual evacuation drills occurring at least three (3) times a year; 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; c. Ensure water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110^0 F); d. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, fire 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 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.			

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 approved waiver.*			
Tag #IH32 Customized In-Home Supports Reimbursement	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Eff Date: 3/1/2018 **Chapter 21: Billing Requirements: 21.4 Recording Keeping and Documentation Requirements:** DD Waiver Provider Agencies must maintain all records necessary to demonstrate proper provision of services for Medicaid billing. At a minimum, Provider Agencies must adhere to the following: 1. The level and type of service provided must be supported in the ISP and have an approved budget prior to service delivery and billing. 2. Comprehensive documentation of direct service delivery must include, at a minimum: a. the agency name; b. the name of the recipient of the service; c. the location of the service; d. the date of the service; e. the type of service; f. the start and end times of the service; g. the signature and title of each staff member who documents their time; and h. the nature of services. 3. A Provider Agency that receives payment for treatment, services, or goods must retain all medical and business records for a period of at least six years from the last payment date, until ongoing audits are settled, or until involvement of the state Attorney General is completed regarding settlement of any claim, whichever is longer. 4. A Provider Agency that receives payment for treatment, services or goods must retain all medical and business records relating to any of	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Customized In-Home Supports Reimbursement for 1 of 4 individuals. Individual #5 March 2018 • The Agency billed 88 units of Customized In-Home Supports (S5125 HB UA) from 3/15/2018 through 3/31/2018. Documentation received accounted for 70 units.	**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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

the following for a period of at least six years from the payment date: a. treatment or care of any eligible recipient; b. services or goods provided to any eligible recipient; c. amounts paid by MAD on behalf of any eligible recipient; and d. any records required by MAD for the administration of Medicaid. **21.9 Billable Units:** The unit of billing depends on the service type. The unit may be a 15-minute interval, a daily unit, a monthly unit or a dollar amount. The unit of billing is identified in the current DD Waiver Rate Table. Provider Agencies must correctly report service units. **21.9.1 Requirements for Daily Units:** For services billed in daily units, Provider Agencies must adhere to the following: 1. A day is considered 24 hours from midnight to midnight. 2. If 12 or fewer hours of service are provided, then one-half unit shall be billed. A whole unit can be billed if more than 12 hours of service is provided during a 24-hour period. 3. The maximum allowable billable units cannot exceed 340 calendar days per ISP year or 170 calendar days per six months. 4. When a person transitions from one Provider Agency to another during the ISP year, a standard formula to calculate the units billed by each Provider Agency must be applied as follows: a. The discharging Provider Agency bills the number of calendar days that services were provided multiplied by .93 (93%). b. The receiving Provider Agency bills the remaining days up to 340 for the ISP			

year. **21.9.2 Requirements for Monthly Units:** For services billed in monthly units, a Provider Agency must adhere to the following: 1. A month is considered a period of 30 calendar days. 2. At least one hour of face-to-face billable services shall be provided during a calendar month where any portion of a monthly unit is billed. 3. Monthly units can be prorated by a half unit. 4. Agency transfers not occurring at the beginning of the 30-day interval are required to be coordinated in the middle of the 30-day interval so that the discharging and receiving agency receive a half unit. **21.9.3 Requirements for 15-minute and hourly units**: For services billed in 15-minute or hourly intervals, Provider Agencies must adhere to the following: 1. When time spent providing the service is not exactly 15 minutes or one hour, Provider Agencies are responsible for reporting time correctly following NMAC 8.302.2. 2. Services that last in their entirety less than eight minutes cannot be billed.			

Date: August 20, 2018

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Survey Date: May 11 – 18, 2018

Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: ***2007:*** Independent Living and Supported Employment
2012: Supported Living, Family Living; Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment Services and Customized In-Home Supports

Survey Type: Routine

Dear Mr. Buckles;

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

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