

Date: October 5, 2020

To: Isaac Sandoval, Executive Director
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Region: Metro
Routine Survey: February 28 – March 5, 2020
Verification Survey: September 8 – 16, 2020
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: **2018:** Supported Living, Family Living, Customized Community Supports, and Community Integrated Employment Services

Survey Type: Verification

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

Team Members: Caitlin Wall, BA, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Mr. Isaac Sandoval;

The Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau has completed a Verification survey of the services identified above. The purpose of the survey was to determine compliance with your Plan of Correction submitted to DHI regarding the *Routine Survey* on February 28 – March 5, 2020.

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

Partial Compliance with Standard Level Tags and Conditions of Participation Level Tags: This determination is based on noncompliance with one to five (1 – 5) Condition of Participation Level Tags (*refer to Attachment D for details*). The attached QMB Report of Findings indicates Standard Level and Condition of Participation Level deficiencies identified and requires completion and implementation of a Plan of Correction.

The following tags are identified as Condition of Participation Level:

- Tag # 1A31 Client Rights / Human Rights (**New / Repeat Findings**)

However, due to the new/repeat deficiencies your agency may be referred to the Internal Review Committee (IRC). Your agency will also be required to contact your DDSD Regional Office for technical assistance and follow up and complete the Plan of Correction document attached at the end of this report. Please respond to the Plan of Correction Coordinator within 10 business days of receipt of this letter.

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QMB Report of Findings – At Home Advocacy Incorporated – Metro – September 8 – 16, 2020

Survey Report #: Q.21.1.DDW.48777722.5.VER.01.20.279



Plan of Correction:

The attached Report of Findings identifies the new/repeat Standard Level deficiencies found during your agency's verification compliance review. You are required to complete and implement a Plan of Correction. Your agency has a total of 10 business days from the receipt of this letter. The Plan of Correction must include the following:

1. Evidence your agency has contacted your DDS Regional Office for technical assistance;
2. A Plan of Correction detailing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes to prevent your agency from receiving deficiencies in the future. Please use the format provided at the end of this report;
3. Documentation verifying that newly cited deficiencies have been corrected.

Submission of your Plan of Correction:

Please submit your agency's Plan of Correction and documentation verifying correction of survey deficiencies within 10 business days of receipt of this letter to the parties below:

1. **Quality Management Bureau, Attention: Plan of Correction Coordinator**
5301 Central Ave. NE Suite 400, New Mexico 87108
MonicaE.Valdez@state.nm.us
2. **Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Regional Office for region of service surveyed**

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

Please contact the Plan of Correction Coordinator, Monica Valdez at 505-273-1930 or email at:
MonicaE.Valdez@state.nm.us if you have questions about the survey or the report. 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:	September 8, 2020
Contact:	<u>At Home Advocacy Incorporated</u> Isaac Sandoval, Executive Director <u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u> Lora Norby, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
On-site Entrance Conference Date:	September 8, 2020
Present:	<u>At Home Advocacy Incorporated</u> Karen Garcia, Service Coordinator <u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u> Lora Norby, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Caitlin Wall, BA, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor Wolf Krusemark, BFA, Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor
Exit Conference Date:	September 16, 2020
Present:	<u>At Home Advocacy Incorporated</u> Karen Garcia, Service Coordinator Isaac Sandoval, Executive Director <u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u> Lora Norby, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Caitlin Wall, BA, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor Wolf Krusemark, BFA, Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor <u>DDSD - Metro Regional Office</u> Anthony Fragua, Social and Community Service Coordinator
Administrative Locations Visited:	0 (Note: No administrative locations visited due to COVID- 19 Public Health Emergency)
Total Sample Size:	6 0 - Jackson Class Members 6 - Non-Jackson Class Members 6 - Family Living 6 - Customized Community Supports
Persons Served Records Reviewed	6
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed during Routine Survey	12
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	69
Substitute Care/Respite Personnel Records Reviewed	16
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	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
NM Attorney General's Office

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 Coordination - Nurse Availability / Knowledge
- **1A31** – Client Rights/Human Rights
- **LS25.1** – Residential Reqts. (Physical Environment - Supported Living / Family Living / Intensive Medical Living)

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 Bureau Chief **within 10 business days** of receipt of the final Report of Findings (**Note: No extensions are granted for the IRF**).
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, Valerie V. Valdez at valerie.valdez@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.

QMB Determinations of Compliance

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 16 or fewer Standards Level Tags with between 75% and 100% of the survey sample affected in any tag.
2. Your Report of Findings includes 17 or more Standard Level Tags with between 50% to 74% of the survey sample affected in any tag.

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. 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 17 or more total Tags with 0 to 5 Condition of Participation Level Tags with 75% to 100% of the survey sample affected in any Condition of Participation Level tag.
2. Your Report of Findings includes any amount of Standard Level Tags with 6 or more Condition of Participation Level Tags.

Compliance Determination	Weighting						
	LOW		MEDIUM			HIGH	
Total Tags:	up to 16	17 or more	up to 16	17 or more	Any Amount	17 or more	Any Amount
	and	and	and	and	And/or	and	And/or
COP Level Tags:	0 COP	0 COP	0 COP	0 COP	1 to 5 COP	0 to 5 CoPs	6 or more COP
	and	and	and	and		and	
Sample Affected:	0 to 74%	0 to 49%	75 to 100%	50 to 74%		75 to 100%	
“Non-Compliance”						17 or more Total Tags with 75 to 100% of the Individuals in the sample cited in any CoP Level tag.	Any Amount of Standard Level Tags and 6 or more Conditions of Participation Level Tags.
“Partial Compliance with Standard Level tags and Condition of Participation Level Tags”					Any Amount Standard Level Tags, plus 1 to 5 Conditions of Participation Level tags.		
“Partial Compliance with Standard Level tags”			up to 16 Standard Level Tags with 75 to 100% of the individuals in the sample cited in any tag.	17 or more Standard Level Tags with 50 to 74% of the individuals in the sample cited any tag.			
“Compliance”	Up to 16 Standard Level Tags with 0 to 74% of the individuals in the sample cited in any tag.	17 or more Standard Level Tags with 0 to 49% of the individuals in the sample cited in any tag.					

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Standard of Care	Routine Survey Deficiencies February 28 – March 5, 2020	Verification Survey New and Repeat Deficiencies September 8 – 16, 2020
<i>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.</i>		
Tag # 1A31 Client Rights / Human Rights	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency
<p>NMAC 7.26.3.11 RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATION OF CLIENT'S RIGHTS:</p> <p>A. A service provider shall not restrict or limit a client's rights except:</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(2) where the interdisciplinary team has determined that the client's limited capacity to exercise the right threatens his or her physical safety; or</p> <p>(3) as provided for in Section 10.1.14 [now Subsection N of 7.26.3.10 NMAC].</p> <p>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</p>	<p>After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur.</p> <p>Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure the rights of Individuals was not restricted or limited.</p> <p>When the Agencies HRC meeting minutes were reviewed for documentation of Human Rights approval, the following was found.</p> <p>The agency did not have evidence of HRC approval for each individual. Per NMAC 7.26.3.11 Chapter 3 Section 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...</p> <p>Review of HRC meeting found the agency listed those in attendance and listed Individuals being reviewed for HRC approvals, however, did not list them separately or show approval of the restriction</p>	<p>New/Repeat Finding:</p> <p>After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur.</p> <p>Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure the rights of Individuals was not restricted or limited.</p> <p>When the Agencies HRC meeting minutes were reviewed for documentation of Human Rights approval, the following was found.</p> <p>The agency did not have evidence of HRC Committee Meeting being held quarterly. Per NMAC 7.26.3.11 and DDW Standards Chapter 3 Section 5: HRC Committees are required to meet at least on a quarterly basis. No evidence found that the HRC Committee met during the 4/2020 – 6/2020 quarter.</p>

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<p>behavioral support policies or other department regulation or policy.</p> <p>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]</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Chapter 3 Safeguards: 3.3.1 HRC Procedural Requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		
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<p>service coordinator) and/or the CM makes a written or oral presentation to the HRC.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>5. HRC committees are required to meet at least on a quarterly basis.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>7. HRC members who are directly involved in the services provided to the person must excuse themselves from voting in that situation.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p>		
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<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		
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<p>earn components;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>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.</p> <p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 		
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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	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A08.1 Administrative and Residential Case File: Progress Notes	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A32 Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A32.1 Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation (Not Completed at Frequency)	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A38 Living Care Arrangement / Community Inclusion Reporting Requirements	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # LS14 Residential Service Delivery Site Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # LS14.1 Residential Service Delivery Site Case File (Other Req. Documentation)	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
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	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A22 Agency Personnel Competency	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A25.1 Caregiver Criminal History Screening	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A37 Individual Specific Training	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A43.1 General Events Reporting: Individual Reporting	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
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	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A03 Continuous Quality Improvement System & Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	COMPLETE

Tag # 1A09.1 Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A15.2 Administrative Case File: Healthcare Documentation (Therap and Required Plans)	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # 1A33.1 Board of Pharmacy - License	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # LS06 Family Living Requirements	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
Tag # LS25 Residential Health & Safety (Supported Living / Family Living / Intensive Medical Living)	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE
<i>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.</i>		
Tag # IS30 Customized Community Supports Reimbursement	Standard Level Deficiency	COMPLETE

	Verification Survey Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Completion Date
<p>Tag # 1A31 Client Rights / Human Rights</p>	<p>Provider: State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here <i>(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?):</i> →</p> <p>[</p> <p>]</p> <p>Provider: Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here <i>(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?):</i> →</p> <p>[</p> <p>]</p>	<p> </p>

Date: November 2, 2020

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Survey Type: Verification

Dear Mr. Sandoval:

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

The Plan of Correction process is now complete.

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

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