

Date: June 18, 2014

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Region: Southwest  
Survey Date: April 21 - 24, 2014  
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: **2012: Living Supports (Family Living); Inclusion Supports (Customized Community Supports)**

Survey Type: Routine

Team Leader: Amanda Castañeda, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

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Dear Ms. Rojas;

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.

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### **Determination of Compliance:**

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

#### ***Partial Compliance with Conditions of Participation***

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

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

- Tag # 1A31 Client Rights/Human Rights
- Tag # 1A32 and LS14/6L14 Individual Service Plan Implementation
- Tag # 1A15.2 and 5I09 Community Living Healthcare Requirements
- Tag # LS13/6L13 Healthcare Documentation

### **Plan of Correction:**

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

### **Submission of your Plan of Correction:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

See Attachment "C" for additional guidance in completing the request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings. The request for an IRF will not delay the implementation of your Plan of Correction which must be completed within 45 total business days (10 business days to submit your POC for approval and 35 days to implement your *approved*

Plan of Correction). Providers may not appeal the nature or interpretation of the standard or regulation, the team composition or sampling methodology. If the IRF approves the modification or removal of a finding, you will be advised of any changes.

Please call the Plan of Correction Coordinator Anthony Fragua at 505-231-7436 if you have questions about the Report of Findings or Plan of Correction. Thank you for your cooperation and for the work you perform.

Sincerely,

*Amanda Castañeda, MPA*

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

## Survey Process Employed:

Entrance Conference Date: April 21, 2014

Present: **Grace Requires Understanding, Inc.**  
Noel Marquez, Lead Family Support Manager  
Yvonne Ramos, Family Support Manager  
Maria C. Rubio, Family Support Manager

**DOH/DHI/QMB**  
Amanda Castañeda, MPA, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor  
Florence Mulheron, BA, Healthcare Surveyor  
Jennifer Bruns, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor  
Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor

Exit Conference Date: April 24, 2014

Present: **Grace Requires Understanding, Inc.**  
Betty Wallis, RN  
Delilah Mason, RN  
Yvonne Ramos, Family Support Manager  
Stacey Fellwock, Nurse Manager  
Noel Marquez, Lead Family Support Manager  
Teresa Flores, Financial / Human Resource Manager  
Theresa Martinez, Billing  
Cruz Maria Rojas, Executive Director

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Florence Mulheron, BA, Healthcare Surveyor

**DDSD - SW Regional Office**  
Dave Brunson, Community Inclusion Coordinator

Administrative Locations Visited	Number:	1
Total Sample Size	Number:	25
		0 - <i>Jackson</i> Class Members 25 - <i>Non-Jackson</i> Class Members
		25 - Family Living 11 - Customized Community Supports
Total Homes Visited	Number:	23 (1 Family Living Provider refused the home visit and 1 Family Living Provider / Individual was not

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available during the on-site visit as they were out of town)

❖ Family Living Homes Visited	Number:	23
Persons Served Records Reviewed	Number:	25
Persons Served Interviewed	Number:	18
Persons Served Observed	Number:	7 (6 Individuals were unavailable during the on-site survey and 1 Individual was asleep during the home visit)
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed	Number:	30
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	Number:	127
Substitute Care/Respite Personnel Records Reviewed	Number:	97
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	Number:	13 (Note: 7 of the 13 Service Coordinators were also Direct Support Personnel aka Family Living Providers)

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
- Quality Assurance / Improvement Plan

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

## Attachment A

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

#### **Introduction:**

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

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

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

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

If you have questions about the Plan of Correction process, call the Plan of Correction Coordinator at 505-231-7436 or email at [Anthony.Fragua@state.nm.us](mailto:Anthony.Fragua@state.nm.us). Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your Regional DDSD Office.

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

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

##### **Required Content**

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

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

##### **The Plan of Correction must address the six required Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) core elements to address each deficiency cited in the Report of Findings:**

1. How the specific and realistic corrective action will be accomplished for individuals found to have been affected by the deficient practice.
2. How the agency will identify other individuals who have the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice, and how the agency will act to protect individuals in similar situations.
3. What QA measures will be put into place or systemic changes made to ensure that the deficient practice will not recur
4. Indicate how the agency plans to monitor its performance to make sure that solutions are sustained. The agency must develop a QA plan for ensuring that correction is achieved and

- sustained. This QA plan must be implemented, and the corrective action evaluated for its effectiveness. The plan of correction is integrated into the agency quality assurance system; and
5. Include dates when corrective action will be completed. The corrective action completion dates must be acceptable to the State.
  6. The POC must be signed and dated by the agency director or other authorized official.

*The following details should be considered when developing your Plan of Correction:*

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

**Note: Instruction or in-service of staff alone may not be a sufficient plan of correction.** This is a good first step toward correction, but additional steps 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, Anthony Fragua at 505-231-7436 for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your Regional DDSD Office.
4. Submit your POC to Anthony Fragua, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
  - a. Electronically at [Anthony.Fragua@state.nm.us](mailto:Anthony.Fragua@state.nm.us) (*preferred method*)
  - b. Fax to 505-222-8661, or
  - c. Mail to POC Coordinator, 5301 Central Avenue NE, Suite 400, Albuquerque, NM 87108
5. Do not submit supporting documentation (evidence of compliance) to QMB until after your POC has been approved by the QMB.

6. QMB will notify you when your POC has been “approved” or “denied.”
  - a. During this time, whether your POC is “approved,” or “denied,” you will have a maximum of 45 business days from the date of receipt of your Report of Findings to correct all survey deficiencies.
  - b. If your POC is denied, it must be revised and resubmitted as soon as possible, as the 45 business day limit is in effect.
  - c. If your POC is denied a second time your agency may be referred to the Internal Review Committee.
  - d. You will receive written confirmation when your POC has been approved by QMB and a final deadline for completion of your POC.
  - e. Please note that all POC correspondence will be sent electronically unless otherwise requested.
7. Failure to submit your POC within 10 business days without prior approval of an extension by QMB will result in a referral to the Internal Review Committee and the possible implementation of monetary penalties and/or sanctions.

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

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

1. Your internal documents are due within a maximum of 45 business days of receipt of your Report of Findings.
2. It is preferred that you submit your documents via USPS or other carrier (scanned and saved to CD/DVD disc, flash drive, etc.). If the documents do not contain protected Health information (PHI) the preferred method is that you submit your documents electronically (scanned and attached to e-mails).
3. All submitted documents must be annotated; please be sure the tag numbers and Identification numbers are indicated on each document submitted. Documents which are not annotated with the Tag number and Identification number may not be accepted.
4. Do not submit original documents; Please provide copies or scanned electronic files for evidence. Originals must be maintained in the agency file(s) per DDS Standards.
5. In lieu of some documents, you may submit copies of file or home audit forms that clearly indicate cited deficiencies have been corrected, other attestations of correction must be approved by the Plan of Correction Coordinator prior to their submission.
6. When billing deficiencies are cited, you must provide documentation to justify billing and/or void and adjust forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC. for the deficiencies cited in the Report of Findings. In addition to this, we ask that you submit:
  - Evidence of an internal audit of billing/reimbursement conducted for a sample of individuals and timeframes of your choosing to verify POC implementation;
  - Copies of “void and adjust” forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC. to correct all unjustified units identified and submitted for payment during your internal audit.

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

## Attachment B

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

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

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

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

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

#### Case Management Services:

- Level of Care
- Plan of Care
- Qualified Providers

#### Community Inclusion Supports/ Living Supports:

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

### Conditions of Participation (CoPs)

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

QMB surveyors use professional judgment when reviewing the critical elements of each standard and regulation to determine when non-compliance with a standard level deficiency rises to the level of a CoP out of compliance. Only some deficiencies can rise to the level of a CoP. (See the next section for a list of CoPs.) The QMB survey team analyzes the relevant finding in terms of scope, actual harm or potential for harm, unique situations, patterns of performance, and other factors to determine if there is the potential for a negative outcome which would rise to the level of a CoP. A Standard level deficiency becomes a CoP out of compliance when the team's analysis establishes that there is an identified potential for significant harm or actual harm. It is then cited as a CoP out of compliance. If the deficiency does not rise to the level of a CoP out of compliance, it is cited as a Standard Level Deficiency.

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

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

**Service Domain: Level of Care**

Condition of Participation:

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

**Service Domain: Plan of Care**

Condition of Participation:

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

Condition of Participation:

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

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

**Service Domain: Qualified Providers**

Condition of Participation:

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

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

**Service Domain: Plan of Care**

Condition of Participation:

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

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

Condition of Participation:

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

Condition of Participation:

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

## QMB Determinations of Compliance

### Compliance with Conditions of Participation

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

### Partial-Compliance with Conditions of Participation

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

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

### Non-Compliance with Conditions of Participation

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

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

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

**Introduction:**

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

**Instructions:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Agency:** Grace Requires Understanding, Inc. - Southwest Region  
**Program:** Developmental Disabilities Waiver  
**Service:** 2012: Living Supports (Family Living); Inclusion Supports (Customized Community Supports)  
**Monitoring Type:** Routine Survey  
**Survey Date:** April 21 - 24, 2014

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<b>Service Domain: Service Plans: ISP Implementation</b> – Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.			
<b>Tag # 1A08</b> <b>Agency Case File</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p><b>Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements</b></p> <p><b>H. Consumer Records Policy:</b> All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Consumer Records Policy. Additional documentation that is required to be maintained at the administrative office includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Vocational Assessments that are of quality and contain content acceptable to DVR and DDSD;</li> <li>2. Career Development Plans as incorporated in the ISP; and</li> <li>3. Documentation of evidence that services provided under the DDW are not otherwise available under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (DVR).</li> </ol> <p><b>Chapter 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements:</b></p> <p><b>G. Consumer Records Policy:</b> 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</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file at the administrative office for 6 of 25 individuals.</p> <p>Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MAD 046 / Current Budget</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ None Found (#18)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Current Emergency and Personal Identification Information</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ None Found (#22)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>ISP Signature Page (#14, 23)</b>  <b>**Note: #23 didn't have guardian signature</b></li> <li>• <b>Positive Behavioral Support Plan (#17)</b></li> <li>• <b>Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (#17)</b></li> <li>• <b>ISP Teaching and Support Strategies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <i>Individual #5 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:</i></li> <li>◦ Live Outcome Statement #1:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>          State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>          Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>Case File Matrix policy. Additional documentation that is required to be maintained at the administrative office includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Vocational Assessments (if applicable) that are of quality and contain content acceptable to DVR and DDSD.</li> </ol> <p><b>Chapter 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements:</b>  <b>E. Consumer Records Policy:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Chapter 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements:</b>  <b>D. Consumer Records Policy:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements:</b>  <b>D. Consumer Records Policy:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Chapter 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements:</b>  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)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency contact information;</li> <li>• Personal identification;</li> <li>• ISP budget forms and budget prior authorization;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "... will write his address on a sheet of paper."</li> <li>➤ "... will recite his address."</li> <li>◦ Develop Relationships/Have Fun Outcome Statement #3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "He will walk on the treadmill for 15 minutes to increase to 30 minutes."</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ <i>Individual #14 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:</i></li> <li>◦ Live Outcome Statement #1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "Develop a list of items she will need to pack in her suitcase."</li> <li>➤ "She will need to choose the items from the list for the trip."</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome Statement #2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "I will learn to read and order from the menu."</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome Statement #4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "... will purchase her lunch items."</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ Develop Relationships/Have Fun Outcome Statement #3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "... will create a playlist", once a week.</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ Develop Relationships/Have Fun Outcome Statement #2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ "Download the apps."</li> <li>➤ "She will need to learn to open the app."</li> <li>➤ "She will work on the application."</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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);</li> <li>• 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;</li> <li>• Copy of Guardianship or Power of Attorney documents as applicable;</li> <li>• Behavior Support Consultant, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist and Speech-Language Pathology progress reports as applicable, except for short term stays;</li> <li>• Written consent by relevant health decision maker and primary care practitioner for self-administration of medication or assistance with medication from DSP as applicable;</li> <li>• Progress notes written by DSP and nurses;</li> <li>• Signed secondary freedom of choice form;</li> <li>• Transition Plan as applicable for change of provider in past twelve (12) months.</li> </ul> <p><b>DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director's Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012</b></p> <p><b>III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications:</b></p> <p>A. All case management, living supports, customized in-home supports, community integrated employment and customized community supports providers must maintain records for individuals served through DD Waiver in accordance with the Individual Case File Matrix incorporated in this director's release.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #18 - <i>TSS not found for the following Action Steps:</i></li> <li>◦ Live Outcome Statement #1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ "With assistance...will put his dirty clothes in the hamper."</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:</b> All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Emergency contact information, including the individual's address, telephone number, names and telephone numbers of relatives, or guardian or conservator, physician's name(s) and telephone number(s), pharmacy name, address and telephone number, and health plan if appropriate;</li> <li>(2) The individual's complete and current ISP, with all supplemental plans specific to the individual, and the most current completed Health Assessment Tool (HAT);</li> <li>(3) Progress notes and other service delivery documentation;</li> <li>(4) Crisis Prevention/Intervention Plans, if there are any for the individual;</li> <li>(5) A medical history, which shall include at least demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the developmental disability, psychiatric diagnoses, allergies (food, environmental,</li> </ol>			
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<p>medications), immunizations, and most recent physical exam;</p> <p>(6) When applicable, transition plans completed for individuals at the time of discharge from Fort Stanton Hospital or Los Lunas Hospital and Training School; and</p> <p>(7) Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the individual upon request.</p> <p>(8) The receiving Provider Agency shall be provided at a minimum the following records whenever an individual changes provider agencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Complete file for the past 12 months;</li> <li>(b) ISP and quarterly reports from the current and prior ISP year;</li> <li>(c) Intake information from original admission to services; and</li> <li>(d) When applicable, the Individual Transition Plan at the time of discharge from Los Lunas Hospital and Training School or Ft. Stanton Hospital.</li> </ul> <p><b>NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:</b> A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past.</p> <p><b>B. Documentation of test results:</b> Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment.</p>			
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<p><b>4. Reimbursement A. 1...</b>Provider Agencies must maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the service, quality...The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record...</p> <p><b>Chapter 15 (ANS) 4. Reimbursement A. 1.</b> ...Provider Agencies must maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the service, quality...The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record...</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:</b> All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements:</p> <p>(3) Progress notes and other service delivery documentation;</p>			
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<p>opportunities for individuals to live, work and play with full participation in their communities. The following principles provide direction and purpose in planning for individuals with developmental disabilities. [05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: "... will walk up to an hour" 2 times per week for 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "... will responsibly use her cell phone to schedule appointments and communicate with friends and family" is to be completed 3 times per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> <li>• "... will plant, maintain, and harvest at least four crops within the ISP year" is to be completed 2 times per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> <li>• "... will budget her finances" is to be completed 2 times per month. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> <li>• "... will complete payment transactions for all bills she is responsible for such as cell phone, groceries, hair, and novelty items" is to be completed 2 times per month. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "With verbal and visual prompts, ... will successfully complete hygiene tasks" is to be completed 2 times per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "... will create a playlist" is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for</li> </ul>		
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	<p>1/2014-3/2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “She will need to learn to open the app” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 1/2014 - 3/2014.</li> <li>• “She will work on the application” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 1/2014 - 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “... will plan an activity with her niece or nephew” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 10/2013 - 2/2014.</li> <li>• “... will plan the vacation” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 10/2013 - 2/2014.</li> <li>• “... will attend the vacation” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 10/2013 - 2/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Agency’s documented Outcomes and Action Steps do not match the current ISP Outcomes and Action Steps for the Live Outcome. The 11/21/2013 - 11/20/2014 Annual ISP Live Outcomes/Action Steps states, “<i>with assistance...will put his dirty clothes in the hamper,</i>” <i>four times a week.</i> The Agency’s documented Live Outcome/Action Step states, “<i>will learn to recycle,</i>” <i>one time a week.</i> No</li> </ul>		
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	<p>documentation was found regarding implementation of ISP outcomes for 1/2014 – 2/2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “With assistance, ... will put his dirty clothes in the hamper” for 3/2014</li> <li>• None found regarding: “... will choose a place to go out of two choices” for 3/2014</li> </ul> <p>Individual #20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Provide Family Living verbal support to follow 3-step directions in order to complete the laundry process” is to be completed 3 times per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> <li>• “Provide Family Living verbal support to learn the process of choosing his own clothing before his daily shower” is to be completed 3 times per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> <li>• “I will learn how to hold and use a fork independently to eat my meals safely” is to be completed 1 time per day. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “With assistance,...will water outdoor and indoor plants” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “... will work on</li> </ul>		
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	<p>identifying dollar bills and coins and amounts” for 1/2014 - 2/2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “... will engage in money transactions in the community” for 12/2013 - 2/2014.</li> <li>• None found regarding: “... will make healthy choices/follow dietician recommendations” for 12/2013 - 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p><b>Customized Community Access Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</b></p> <p>Individual #14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “I will learn to read and order from the menu” is to be completed 1 time per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 1/2014 - 3/2014.</li> <li>• “... will purchase her lunch items” is to be completed 3 times per week. Action Step was not being completed at the required frequency for 1/2014 - 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “... will take pictures of people or subjects that interest him” for 1/2014 - 3/2014.</li> <li>• None found regarding: “... will create his portfolio page” for 1/2014 - 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “... will work on identifying dollar bills and coins and amounts” for 1/2014 - 2/2014.</li> <li>• None found regarding: “... will engage in</li> </ul>		
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	<p>money transactions in the community” for 12/2013 - 2/2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “... will work with DVR on job development” for 2/2014 - 3/2014.</li> <li>• None found regarding: “... will exercise (workout at Curves)” for 3/2014.</li> </ul> <p><b>Residential Files Reviewed:</b></p> <p><b>Family Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:</b></p> <p>Individual #2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “... prepares her desired meal” once a week for 4/1 - 22, 2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “...will responsibly use her cell phone to schedule appointments and communicate with friends and family” at least 3 times a week for 4/1 - 22, 2014.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None found regarding: “With assistance, will put his dirty clothes in the hamper” four times a week for 4/1 - 22, 2014.</li> </ul>		
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<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013  <b>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements</b>  <b>C. Residence Case File:</b> 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 DDS Individual Case File Matrix policy.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements</b>  <b>C. Residence Case File:</b> 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 DDS Individual Case File Matrix policy.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements</b>  <b>B.1. Documents To Be Maintained In The Home:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current Health Passport generated through the e-CHAT section of the Therap website and printed for use in the home in case of disruption in internet access;</li> <li>Personal identification;</li> <li>Current ISP with all applicable assessments, teaching and support strategies, and as applicable for the consumer, PBSP, BCIP, MERP, health care plans, CARMPs, Written Therapy Support Plans, and any other plans (e.g. PRN Psychotropic Medication Plans ) as applicable;</li> <li>Dated and signed consent to release information forms as applicable;</li> <li>Current orders from health care practitioners;</li> <li>Documentation and maintenance of accurate medical history in Therap website;</li> <li>Medication Administration Records for the current month;</li> <li>Record of medical and dental appointments for the current year, or during the period of stay for</li> </ol>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file in the residence for 20 of 24 Individuals receiving Family Living Services.</p> <p>Review of the residential individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Current Emergency and Personal Identification Information</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ None Found (#6)</li> <li>◦ Did not contain Pharmacy Information (#14)</li> <li>◦ Did not contain Pharmacy Phone Number (#18)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Annual ISP (#2, 22)</li> <li>• Individual Specific Training Section of ISP (formerly Addendum B) (#22)</li> <li>• Teaching and Support Strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Individual #2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ "... makes a list and shops for needed items."</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ Individual #5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ "... will write his address on a sheet of paper."</li> <li>◦ "... will recite his address."</li> <li>◦ "... he will walk on the treadmill for 15 minutes to increase to 30 minutes."</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ Individual #14</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>  State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>  Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>short term stays, including any treatment provided;</p> <p>i. Progress notes written by DSP and nurses;</p> <p>j. Documentation and data collection related to ISP implementation;</p> <p>k. Medicaid card;</p> <p>l. Salud membership card or Medicare card as applicable; and</p> <p>m. A Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) document and/or Advanced Directives as applicable.</p> <p><b>DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director’s Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012</b></p> <p><b>III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications:</b></p> <p>A. All case management, living supports, customized in-home supports, community integrated employment and customized community supports providers must maintain records for individuals served through DD Waiver in accordance with the Individual Case File Matrix incorporated in this director’s release.</p> <p>H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system.</p> <p><b><i>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</i></b></p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p><b>A. Residence Case File:</b> For individuals receiving Supported Living or Family Living, the Agency shall maintain in the individual’s home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. For individuals receiving Independent Living Services, rather than maintaining this file at the individual’s home, the complete and current confidential case file for each individual shall be maintained at the agency’s administrative site. Each file shall include the following:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ “Develop a list of items she will need to pack in her suitcase.”</li> <li>◦ “... will create a playlist.”</li> <li>◦ “Download the apps.”</li> <li>◦ “She will need to learn to open the app.”</li> <li>◦ “She will work on the application.”</li> </ul> <p>➤ Individual #17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ “... will plan an activity with her niece or nephew.”</li> <li>◦ “... will plan the vacation.”</li> <li>◦ “... will attend the vacation.”</li> </ul> <p>➤ Individual #18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ “With assistance ...will put his dirty clothes in the hamper.”</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive Behavioral Plan (#6, 12, 14, 17, 25)</li> <li>• Positive Behavioral Crisis Plan (#6, 17)</li> <li>• Speech Therapy Plan (#12)</li> <li>• Occupational Therapy Plan (#12)</li> <li>• Physical Therapy Plan (#1, 13)</li> <li>• <b>Special Health Care Needs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Nutritional Plan (#1, 4)</li> <li>◦ Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Not Found (#1, 22)</li> <li>➤ Not Current (#12, 21)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>(1) Complete and current ISP and all supplemental plans specific to the individual;</p> <p>(2) Complete and current Health Assessment Tool;</p> <p>(3) Current emergency contact information, which includes the individual's address, telephone number, names and telephone numbers of residential Community Living Support providers, relatives, or guardian or conservator, primary care physician's name(s) and telephone number(s), pharmacy name, address and telephone number and dentist name, address and telephone number, and health plan;</p> <p>(4) Up-to-date progress notes, signed and dated by the person making the note for at least the past month (older notes may be transferred to the agency office);</p> <p>(5) Data collected to document ISP Action Plan implementation</p> <p>(6) Progress notes written by direct care staff and by nurses regarding individual health status and physical conditions including action taken in response to identified changes in condition for at least the past month;</p> <p>(7) Physician's or qualified health care providers written orders;</p> <p>(8) Progress notes documenting implementation of a physician's or qualified health care provider's order(s);</p> <p>(9) Medication Administration Record (MAR) for the past three (3) months which includes:</p> <p>(a) The name of the individual;</p> <p>(b) A transcription of the healthcare practitioners prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication;</p> <p>(c) Diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>(d) Dosage, frequency and method/route of delivery;</p> <p>(e) Times and dates of delivery;</p> <p>(f) Initials of person administering or assisting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Health Care Plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Aspiration Risk (#1, 3, 10, 21, 25)</li> <li>◦ Body Mass Index (#1, 10, 14, 16, 20, 23)</li> <li>◦ Bowel and Bladder (#20)</li> <li>◦ Constipation (#1, 23)</li> <li>◦ Diabetes (#1)</li> <li>◦ Falls (#21)</li> <li>◦ Infection Control (#1)</li> <li>◦ Pacemaker (#1)</li> <li>◦ Reflux (#1, 2)</li> <li>◦ Respiratory (#1,10)</li> <li>◦ Seizures (#10, 21, 23)</li> <li>◦ Skin and Wound ((#10, 21)</li> <li>◦ Status of care hygiene (#14, 16, 25)</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>Medical Emergency Response Plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Aspiration (#1, 10, 12, 20, 21, 25)</li> <li>◦ Cardiac Condition (#1, 24)</li> <li>◦ Diabetes (#1)</li> <li>◦ Falls (#21)</li> <li>◦ Gastrointestinal (#1, 25)</li> <li>◦ Pacemaker (#1)</li> <li>◦ Reflux (#1)</li> <li>◦ Respiratory (#10)</li> <li>◦ Seizures (#10, 21, 23)</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>Progress Notes/Daily Contacts Logs:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #2 - None found for 4/19 – 21, 2014.</li>   <li>◦ Individual #8 - None found for 4/19 – 23, 2014.</li>   <li>◦ Individual #14 - None found for 4/21 – 22, 2014.</li>   <li>◦ Individual #17 - None found for 4/1 – 21, 2014.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>with medication; and</p> <p>(g) An explanation of any medication irregularity, allergic reaction or adverse effect.</p> <p>(h) For PRN medication an explanation for the use of the PRN must include:</p> <p>(i) Observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and</p> <p>(ii) Documentation of the effectiveness/result of the PRN delivered.</p> <p>(i) A MAR is not required for individuals participating in Independent Living Services who self-administer their own medication. However, when medication administration is provided as part of the Independent Living Service a MAR must be maintained at the individual's home and an updated copy must be placed in the agency file on a weekly basis.</p> <p>(10) Record of visits to healthcare practitioners including any treatment provided at the visit and a record of all diagnostic testing for the current ISP year; and</p> <p>(11) Medical History to include: demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the developmental disability and any psychiatric diagnosis, allergies (food, environmental, medications), status of routine adult health care screenings, immunizations, hospital discharge summaries for past twelve (12) months, past medical history including hospitalizations, surgeries, injuries, family history and current physical exam.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Progress Notes written by DSP and/or Nurses regarding Health Status:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #4 - None found for April 2014</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Name of individual and date on each page;</li> <li>b. Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans;</li> <li>c. Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the past six month;</li> <li>d. Significant changes in routine or staffing;</li> <li>e. Unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health condition;</li> <li>f. Data reports as determined by IDT members; and</li> <li>g. Signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the reports.</li> </ul> <p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Living Supports- Supported Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements:</b></p> <p><b>1. Semi-Annual Reports:</b> Supported Living providers must submit written semi-annual status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than one hundred ninety (190) calendar days after the ISP effective date. When reports are developed in any other language than English, it is the responsibility of the provider to translate the reports into English. The semi-annual reports must contain the following written documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Name of individual and date on each page;</li> <li>b. Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans;</li> </ul>			
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<p>c. Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the past six (6) months;</p> <p>d. Significant changes in routine or staffing;</p> <p>e. Unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health condition;</p> <p>f. Data reports as determined by IDT members; and</p> <p>g. Signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the reports.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 3. Agency Requirements: F. Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Program:</b></p> <p>4. Intensive Medical Living Services providers shall submit a written semi-annual (non-nursing) status report to the individual's case manager and other IDT members no later than the one hundred ninetieth (190<sup>th</sup>) day following ISP effective date. These semi-annual status reports shall contain at least the following information:</p> <p>a. Status of completion of ISP Action Plans and associated support plans and/or WDSI;</p> <p>b. Progress towards desired outcomes;</p> <p>c. Significant changes in routine or staffing;</p> <p>d. Unusual or significant life events; and</p> <p>e. Data reports as determined by the IDT members;</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p>			
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<p><b>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</b> D. Community Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements: <b>All Community Living Support providers shall submit written quarterly status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than fourteen (14) days following the end of each ISP quarter. The quarterly reports shall contain the following written documentation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans</li> <li>(2) Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the quarter;</li> <li>(3) Significant changes in routine or staffing;</li> <li>(4) Unusual or significant life events;</li> <li>(5) Updates on health status, including medication and durable medical equipment needs identified during the quarter; and</li> <li>(6) Data reports as determined by IDT members.</li> </ul>			
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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<b>Service Domain: Qualified Providers</b> – <i>The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements. The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with State requirements and the approved waiver.</i>			
<b>Tag # 1A11.1</b> <b>Transportation Training</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p><b>Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy</b> Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy <b>Eff. Date:</b> March 1, 2007</p> <p><b>II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</b></p> <p>I. Staff providing direct services shall complete safety training within the first thirty (30) days of employment and before working alone with an individual receiving services. The training shall address at least the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Operating a fire extinguisher</li> <li>2. Proper lifting procedures</li> <li>3. General vehicle safety precautions (e.g., pre-trip inspection, removing keys from the ignition when not in the driver's seat)</li> <li>4. Assisting passengers with cognitive and/or physical impairments (e.g., general guidelines for supporting individuals who may be unaware of safety issues involving traffic or those who require physical assistance to enter/exit a vehicle)</li> <li>5. Operating wheelchair lifts (if applicable to the staff's role)</li> <li>6. Wheelchair tie-down procedures (if applicable to the staff's role)</li> <li>7. Emergency and evacuation procedures (e.g., roadside emergency, fire emergency)</li> </ol> <p><b>NMAC 7.9.2 F. TRANSPORTATION:</b> <b>(1)</b> Any employee or agent of a regulated facility or agency who is responsible for assisting a resident in boarding or alighting from a motor vehicle must complete a state-approved training</p>	<p>Based on record review and interview, the Agency did not provide and/or have documentation for staff training regarding the safe operation of the vehicle, assisting passengers and safe lifting procedures for 8 of 127 Direct Support Personnel.</p> <p><b>No documented evidence was found of the following required training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transportation (DSP #292, 300)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked if they had received transportation training including training on wheelchair tie downs and van lift safety the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSP #232 stated, "No, not yet, but will ask."</li> <li>• DSP #238 stated, "No I haven't."</li> <li>• DSP #239 stated, "No."</li> <li>• DSP #287 stated, "No, not that I know of."</li> <li>• DSP #209 stated, "No."</li> <li>• DSP #323 stated, "No, only from the State."</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b> State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b> Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>program in passenger transportation assistance before assisting any resident. The passenger transportation assistance program shall be comprised of but not limited to the following elements: resident assessment, emergency procedures, supervised practice in the safe operation of equipment, familiarity with state regulations governing the transportation of persons with disabilities, and a method for determining and documenting successful completion of the course. The course requirements above are examples and may be modified as needed.</p> <p><b>(2)</b> Any employee or agent of a regulated facility or agency who drives a motor vehicle provided by the facility or agency for use in the transportation of clients must complete:</p> <p><b>(a)</b> A state approved training program in passenger assistance and</p> <p><b>(b)</b> A state approved training program in the operation of a motor vehicle to transport clients of a regulated facility or agency. The motor vehicle transportation assistance program shall be comprised of but not limited to the following elements: resident assessment, emergency procedures, supervised practice in the safe operation of motor vehicles, familiarity with state regulations governing the transportation of persons with disabilities, maintenance and safety record keeping, training on hazardous driving conditions and a method for determining and documenting successful completion of the course. The course requirements above are examples and may be modified as needed.</p> <p><b>(c)</b> A valid New Mexico drivers license for the type of vehicle being operated consistent with State of New Mexico requirements.</p> <p><b>(3)</b> Each regulated facility and agency shall establish and enforce written policies (including training) and procedures for employees who provide assistance to clients with boarding or alighting from motor vehicles.</p> <p><b>(4)</b> Each regulated facility and agency shall establish and enforce written policies (including</p>			
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<p>training and procedures for employees who operate motor vehicles to transport clients.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements G. Training Requirements: 1.</b> All Community Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDS policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements F. Meet all training requirements as follows: 1.</b> All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDS Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy;</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements C. Training Requirements:</b> The Provider Agency must report required personnel training status to the DDS Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDS Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDS Training Requirements Policy. The Provider Agency must ensure that the personnel support staff have completed training as specified in the DDS Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Family Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</b></p> <p>A. All Family Living Provider agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff policy. DSP's or subcontractors delivering substitute care under Family Living must at a minimum comply with the section of the training policy that relates to Respite, Substitute Care, and personal support staff [Policy T-003: for Training</p>			
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<p>Requirements.</p> <p>B. Individual specific training must be arranged and conducted, including training on the Individual Service Plan outcomes, actions steps and strategies and associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP etc), information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERPs, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Family Living providers must notify the relevant support plan author whenever a new DSP is assigned to work with an individual, and therefore needs to receive training, or when an existing DSP requires a refresher. The individual should be present for and involved in individual specific training whenever possible.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements</b>  <b>B. Living Supports- Supported Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</b>  A. All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff. Pursuant to CMS requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Supported Living provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements.  B Individual specific training must be arranged</p>	<p>PRN medications, the direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN medication is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. (Individual #24)</p> <p><b>When DSP were asked if the Individual has a CARMP, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSP #200 stated, "No." As indicated by the Speech Therapy Plan the individual has a CARMP. (Individual #1)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked who provided them training on the Individual's CARMP, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSP #242 stated, "I don't know." As indicated by the Individual Specific Training section of the ISP the individual has a CARMP and the SLP is to provide training. (Individual #12)</li> <li>• DSP #287 stated, "Don't think anyone has trained me." As indicated by the Individual Specific Training section of the ISP the individual has a CARMP. (Individual #20)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked if someone has an allergic reaction to food, what could happen to that person if the reaction was left untreated, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DSP #201 stated, "I don't know." (Individual #23)</li> </ul>		
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Tag # 1A25 Criminal Caregiver History Screening	Standard Level Deficiency		
<p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.8 CAREGIVER AND HOSPITAL CAREGIVER EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:</b>  <b>F. Timely Submission:</b> Care providers shall submit all fees and pertinent application information for all individuals who meet the definition of an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver as described in Subsections B, D and K of 7.1.9.7 NMAC, no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the first day of employment or effective date of a contractual relationship with the care provider.</p> <p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.9 CAREGIVERS OR HOSPITAL CAREGIVERS AND APPLICANTS WITH DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS:</b>  <b>A. Prohibition on Employment:</b> A care provider shall not hire or continue the employment or contractual services of any applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver for whom the care provider has received notice of a disqualifying conviction, except as provided in Subsection B of this section.</p> <p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.11 DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS.</b> The following felony convictions disqualify an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver from employment or contractual services with a care provider:  <b>A.</b> homicide;  <b>B.</b> trafficking, or trafficking in controlled substances;  <b>C.</b> kidnapping, false imprisonment, aggravated assault or aggravated battery;  <b>D.</b> rape, criminal sexual penetration, criminal</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation indicating no “disqualifying convictions” or documentation of the timely submission of pertinent application information to the Caregiver Criminal History Screening Program was on file for 9 of 230 Agency Personnel.</p> <p><b>The following Agency Personnel Files contained no evidence of Caregiver Criminal History Screenings:</b></p> <p><b>Direct Support Personnel (DSP):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #258 – Date of hire 2/25/2014.</li> <li>• #319 – Date of hire 2/17/2014.</li> </ul> <p><b>Substitute Care/Respite Personnel:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #335 – Date of hire 5/20/2010.</li> <li>• #354 – Date of hire 7/15/2010.</li> <li>• #387 – Date of hire 1/1/2010.</li> <li>• #408 – Date of hire 1/14/2008.</li> </ul> <p><b>The following Agency Personnel Files contained Caregiver Criminal History Screenings, which were not specific to the Agency:</b></p> <p><b>Direct Support Personnel (DSP):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #310 – Date of hire 9/01/2005.</li> <li>• #320 – Date of hire 3/05/2005.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>  State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>  Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>sexual contact, incest, indecent exposure, or other related felony sexual offenses;</p> <p><b>E.</b> crimes involving adult abuse, neglect or financial exploitation;</p> <p><b>F.</b> crimes involving child abuse or neglect;</p> <p><b>G.</b> crimes involving robbery, larceny, extortion, burglary, fraud, forgery, embezzlement, credit card fraud, or receiving stolen property; or</p> <p><b>H.</b> an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy involving any of the felonies in this subsection.</p>	<p><b>Substitute Care/Respite Personnel:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #415 – Date of hire 6/8/2007.</li> </ul>		
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<p>employee prior to employment. Such documentation must include evidence, based on the response to such inquiry received from the custodian by the provider, that the employee was not listed on the registry as having a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation.</p> <p>E. <b>Documentation for other staff.</b> With respect to all employed or contracted individuals providing direct care who are licensed health care professionals or certified nurse aides, the provider shall maintain documentation reflecting the individual's current licensure as a health care professional or current certification as a nurse aide.</p> <p>F. <b>Consequences of noncompliance.</b> The department or other governmental agency having regulatory enforcement authority over a provider may sanction a provider in accordance with applicable law if the provider fails to make an appropriate and timely inquiry of the registry, or fails to maintain evidence of such inquiry, in connection with the hiring or contracting of an employee; or for employing or contracting any person to work as an employee who is listed on the registry. Such sanctions may include a directed plan of correction, civil monetary penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5000) per instance, or termination or non-renewal of any contract with the department or other governmental agency.</p>	<p>10/6/2007.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #367 – Date of hire 3/31/2006, completed 1/4/2007.</li> <li>• #369 – Date of hire 3/18/2009, completed 11/13/2013.</li> <li>• #384 – Date of hire 12/16/2009, completed 2/21/2014.</li> <li>• #385 – Date of hire 2/16/2009, completed 2/21/2014.</li> <li>• #387 – Date of hire 1/1/2010, completed 1/24/2014.</li> <li>• #399 – Date of hire 8/24/2009, completed 2/21/2014.</li> <li>• #403 – Date of hire 11/29/2007, completed 4/23/2014.</li> <li>• #409 – Date of hire 1/14/2008, completed 11/11/2013.</li> <li>• #410 – Date of hire 7/19/2007, completed 10/6/2007.</li> <li>• #412 – Date of hire 2/2/2010, completed 6/25/2010.</li> <li>• #414 – Date of hire 2/16/2009, completed 2/21/2014.</li> <li>• #415 – Date of hire 6/8/2007, completed 10/6/2007.</li> <li>• #419 – Date of hire 9/10/2007, completed 10/5/2007.</li> </ul>		
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<p>A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff. C. Staff shall complete training on DOH-approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13.</p>			
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<p>provisions of the ISP, and shall report to the case manager on ISP implementation and the individual's progress on action plans within their agencies; for persons funded solely by state general funds, the service coordinator shall assume all the duties of the independent case manager described within these regulations; if there are two or more "key" community service provider agencies with two or more service coordinator staff, the IDT shall designate which service coordinator shall assume the duties of the case manager; the criteria to guide the IDTs selection are set forth as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the designated service coordinator shall have the skills necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the case manager as defined in these regulations;</li> <li>(ii) the designated service coordinator shall have the time and interest to fulfill the functions of the case manager as defined in these regulations;</li> <li>(iii) the designated service coordinator shall be familiar with and understand community service delivery and supports;</li> <li>(iv) the designated service coordinator shall know the individual or be willing to become familiar and develop a relationship with the individual being served;</li> </ul>			
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<p>status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy. The Provider Agency must ensure that the personnel support staff have completed training as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. 3. Staff shall complete individual specific training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each individual served; and 4. Staff that assists the individual with medication (e.g., setting up medication, or reminders) must have completed Assisting with Medication Delivery (AWMD) Training.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements</b>  <b>B. Living Supports- Family Living Services</b>  <b>Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</b></p> <p>A. All Family Living Provider agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff policy. DSP's or subcontractors delivering substitute care under Family Living must at a minimum comply with the section of the training policy that relates to Respite, Substitute Care, and personal support staff [Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff; Sec. II-J, Items 1-4]. Pursuant to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Family Living Provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training</p>			
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<p>Requirements.</p> <p>B. Individual specific training must be arranged and conducted, including training on the Individual Service Plan outcomes, actions steps and strategies and associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP etc), information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERPs, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Family Living providers must notify the relevant support plan author whenever a new DSP is assigned to work with an individual, and therefore needs to receive training, or when an existing DSP requires a refresher. The individual should be present for and involved in individual specific training whenever possible.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements</b>  <b>B. Living Supports- Supported Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:</b></p> <p>A. All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff. Pursuant to CMS requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Supported Living provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements.</p> <p>B Individual specific training must be arranged</p>			
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<p>and conducted, including training on the ISP Outcomes, actions steps and strategies, associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP, etc), and information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERP, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Supported Living providers must notify the relevant support plan author whenever a new DSP is assigned to work with an individual, and therefore needs to receive training, or when an existing DSP requires a refresher. The individual should be present for and involved in individual specific training whenever possible.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) R. 2. Service Requirements. Staff Qualifications 2. DSP Qualifications.</b> E. Complete training requirements as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff - effective March 1, 2007. Report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy;</p>			
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Tag # 1A42 DDSD Provider Agreement	Standard Level Deficiency		
<p><b>STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION PROVIDER AGREEMENT: TERMS OF PROVIDER AGREEMENT:</b> This Provider Agreement serves as a binding agreement between the DEPARTMENT and the PROVIDER to serve persons eligible for Medicaid reimbursed services through the Medically Fragile (MF) and/or Developmental Disabilities (DD) Medicaid Waiver programs as specified in the PROVIDER'S Service Summary Report Attachment A...</p> <p><b>SCOPE OF SERVICES</b></p> <p>1. The PROVIDER shall provide community based services to persons with developmental disabilities or to children birth through end of life span with or at risk of developmental delay, or medically fragile individuals as set forth in the DD and MF Waiver Services Standards Scope of Service. Approved DD Medicaid Waiver and/or MF Waiver Services are referenced on the Service Summary Report, Attachment A.</p> <p>2. The PROVIDER agrees: to provide services listed on the Service Summary Report Attachment A, to enter into an annual Community Inclusion Performance</p> <p><b>ARTICLE 17. PROGRAM EVALUATIONS</b></p> <p>a. In order to monitor the performance of services and compliance with the provisions of this Provider Agreement by the PROVIDER, employees of the DEPARTMENT or State and Federal agencies which have provided funds under this Provider Agreement, or their duly authorized representatives, shall be allowed to</p>	<p>Based on observation and interview, the Agency did not abide by the provider agreement for 1 of 25 individuals.</p> <p>The following occurred, regarding DSP #306 and the required home visit:</p> <p>During the on-site survey (4/21 - 24, 2014) Surveyors conducted an entrance meeting at which time they informed the agency of the need to schedule family living provider visits. These visits are conducted to ensure the health and safety of the individuals served; they include a staff interview, a residential file review, an individual served interview (if the individual is available) and a residential observation. After the entrance meeting, each Coordinator then attempted to schedule the visits with the family living providers they oversaw on their caseload. SC #299 contacted DSP #306 who was then given a variety of time slots that were available for the visits. DSP #306 stated to SC #299 that a home visit could not be conducted due to health concerns of her dog. SC #299 asked Surveyors to contact the DSP and explain the purpose and importance of the home visit. The Survey Team Lead spoke with DSP #306 and attempted to accommodate the DSP by offering a variety of solutions in order to complete the visit. These included, but are not limited to, having the DSP pick her own time for the visit, having surveyors only complete the observation at the home and complete the record review and interview at the office to minimize the time surveyors were at the home, or meet with the DSP outside the home so her dog would not be disturbed. DSP #306 first</p>	<p><b>Provider:</b> State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b> Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>visit without interference or delay the offices and service locations of the PROVIDER to examine the PROVIDER'S operations and records. Client records shall be reviewed in accordance with the ARTICLE 16 DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION.</p> <p>b. The DEPARTMENT shall conduct site visits to any service locations when appropriate. The DEPARTMENT may elect not to provide advance notice of the site visit to the PROVIDER.</p> <p>c. The PROVIDER shall provide information and access to copies of records promptly upon request by the DEPARTMENT.</p> <p><b>ARTICLE 38. PROVIDER AGREEMENT ENFORCEMENT</b></p> <p>a. In order to secure Provider Agreement compliance and to ensure the health and safety of the recipients of services under this Provider Agreement, the DEPARTMENT and the PROVIDER agree that the PROVIDER shall be subject to sanctions by the DEPARTMENT pursuant to applicable Medicaid regulations that govern the Medicaid Waiver Program and the DEPARTMENT Policy ADM: 02:58, Imposing Administrative Actions and Sanctions for DEPARTMENT PROVIDERS, incorporated herein by reference.</p> <p>b. The PROVIDER also agrees that the imposition of sanctions pursuant to DEPARTMENT policy ADM: 02:58 does not limit the availability of any other remedy including but not limited to the remedy of termination of this Provider Agreement, or further sanctions under Medicaid regulations, as applicable. The PROVIDER'S failure to fully and satisfactorily perform under this Provider Agreement also may</p>	<p>stated, "I'm not going to be home" then reported Surveyors could conduct a visit but it had to be completed at that moment and needed to be done in 15 minutes. The Survey Team Lead explained the visit and interview would take approximately 45 minutes to an hour and could not be done in 15 minutes. DSP #306 then reported if a visit were to be conducted, it would have to be in two weeks. When the Survey Team Lead explained that the visit needed to occur within the week of April 21st, DSP #306 became angry and verbally aggressive. DSP#306 proceeded to hang up on the Survey Team Lead. Less than one minute later the DSP called back and asked if a phone interview could be scheduled for the next day and she would attempt to take the Residential file to the Provider's office for review. Approximately 45 minutes later, DSP #306 arrived at the agency with the residential file, demanded it be reviewed and the interview conducted in 15 minutes or less. Surveyors again explained that it would take approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour. After that, DSP #306 agreed to complete the interview at that time and surveyors proceeded to review the residential file; however, DSP continued to verbalize a refusal to a home visit / observation. Surveyors were unable to conduct a visit. The lack of cooperation was reported to the provider and the DDSD regional office.</p> <p>Per Article 17 of the DOH Provider agreement, a. ... "The Department or State and Federal agencies which have provided funds under this Provider Agreement, or their duly authorized representatives, shall be allowed to visit without interference or delay the offices and service locations of the provider to examine the Providers operations and records. Client</p>		
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<p>result in the DEPARTMENT'S use of more than one remedy or sanction.</p> <p>c. EVIDENCE OF FULL AND SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE REQUIRED. The PROVIDER agrees to accurately generate and maintain all records and reports required by this Provider Agreement, including but not limited to medical and treatment records, administrative, business and financial records, sufficient to evidence full and satisfactory performance under this Provider Agreement. The PROVIDER further agrees to make available for inspection and copying to employees of the DEPARTMENT and other licensing, certification, monitoring or enforcement entities or employees of such entities, all medical, administrative and financial records generated and maintained which may evidence compliance or noncompliance with the terms of this Provider Agreement. Failure by the PROVIDER to maintain such records or to allow inspection and copying of these records constitutes a failure to fully and satisfactorily perform under this Provider Agreement.</p> <p>d. MONITORING AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS. In addition to the Program Evaluation provisions of ARTICLE 38, the PROVIDER understands and agrees that DEPARTMENT employees, agents or monitors under contract by the DEPARTMENT may monitor the PROVIDER'S performance under this Provider Agreement. The PROVIDER also understands and agrees that evidence of Provider Agreement performance or nonperformance may be obtained by the DEPARTMENT from other governmental and private entities, including but not limited to the CMS, HSD, the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department, the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities</p>	<p>records shall be reviewed in accordance with the ARTICLE 16 DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION. b. The DEPARTMENT shall conduct site visits to any service locations when appropriate. The DEPARTMENT may elect not to provide advance notice of the site visit to the PROVIDER.”</p>		
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<p>(CARF), The Council on Quality and Leadership for Persons with Disabilities (The Council), The Joint Commission and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Attorney General's Office. The PROVIDER agrees that evidence of performance not in conformity with this Provider Agreement which the DEPARTMENT obtains through such monitoring or through information obtained by such other governmental and private entities may form the basis for a Performance Improvement Plan, a corrective action plan, or for the Provider Agreement sanctions set forth in paragraph a. and b. of this Article, or for termination of the Provider Agreement.</p>			
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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<p><b>Service Domain: Health and Welfare</b> – The state, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent occurrences of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Individuals shall be afforded their basic human rights. The provider supports individuals to access needed healthcare services in a timely manner.</p>			
<p><b>Tag # 1A05</b> <b>General Provider Requirements</b></p>	<p><b>Standard Level Deficiency</b></p>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>A. General Requirements:</b></p> <p>(2) The Provider Agency is required to develop and implement written policies and procedures that maintain and protect the physical and mental health of individuals and which comply with all DDS policies and procedures and all relevant New Mexico State statutes, rules and standards. These policies and procedures shall be reviewed at least every three years and updated as needed.</p>	<p>Based on record review and interview, the Agency did not develop, implement and/or update written policies and procedures that comply with all DDS policies and procedures.</p> <p>Review of Agency policies and procedures found the following:</p> <p><b>The following policies and procedures showed no evidence of being reviewed every three years or being updated as needed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Human Rights Committee” Policy and Procedure - Last reviewed 6/11/2010</li> <li>• “Procedure for Emergency Evacuation of Homes and Community Sites/Relocation of Residents” Policy and Procedure - Last reviewed 6/11/2010.</li> <li>• “Nursing On-Call” Policy and Procedure – No Date of when policy was last revised.</li> <li>• “Transportation” Policy and Procedure - Last reviewed 6/11/2010.</li> <li>• “Medication Errors” Policy and Procedure - No date of when policy was last revised.</li> <li>• “Storage of Medication” Policy and Procedure - No date of when policy was last revised.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b> State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b> Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

**When #333 was asked if the Agency had evidence that their policies and procedures are being reviewed every three years or being updated the following was reported:**

- #333 stated, "They are in process of being approved at the next board meeting that is tentatively scheduled for 6/2014. Board meeting was postponed due to the move."

<b>Tag # 1A09</b> <b>Medication Delivery</b> <b>Routine Medication Administration</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p><b>NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS:</b>  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, <b>including over-the-counter medications.</b>  This documentation shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Name of resident;</li> <li>(ii) Date given;</li> <li>(iii) Drug product name;</li> <li>(iv) Dosage and form;</li> <li>(v) Strength of drug;</li> <li>(vi) Route of administration;</li> <li>(vii) How often medication is to be taken;</li> <li>(viii) Time taken and staff initials;</li> <li>(ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed;</li> <li>(x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications.</li> </ul> <p><b>Model Custodial Procedure Manual</b>  <b>D. Administration of Drugs</b>  Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications.  Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications.</p> <p>All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,</li> <li>➤ exact dosage to be used, and</li> </ul>	<p>Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of March and April 2014.</p> <p>Based on record review, 1 of 25 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors:</p> <p>Individual #1  March 2014  Medication Administration Records did not contain the strength of the medication which is to be given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Probiotic (1 time daily)</li> </ul> <p>Medication Administration Records contain the following medications. No Physician's Orders were found for the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vitamin B12 2500mcg (1 time daily)</li> <li>• Probiotic (1 time daily)</li> <li>• Potassium 10mEq (1 time daily)</li> <li>• Levothyroxine 0.112mcg (1 time daily)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b>  State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b>  Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>➤ the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 1. Scope of Service B. Self Employment 8.</b> Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; <b>C. Individual Community Integrated Employment 3.</b> Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; <b>D. Group Community Integrated Employment 4.</b> Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; and</p> <p><b>B. Community Integrated Employment Agency Staffing Requirements: o.</b> Comply with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures;</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 1. Scope of Services A. Individualized Customized Community Supports 19.</b> Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. <b>C. Small Group Customized Community Supports 19.</b> Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. <b>D. Group Customized Community Supports 19.</b> Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES A. Living Supports- Family Living Services:</b> The scope of Family Living Services includes, but is not limited to the following as identified by the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT):</p> <p><b>19.</b> Assisting in medication delivery, and related monitoring, in accordance with the DDSD's Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy,</p>			
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<p>New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy regulations including skill development activities leading to the ability for individuals to self-administer medication as appropriate; and</p> <p><b>I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living.</b></p> <p><b>3. B.</b> Adult Nursing Services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Lining Supports- Family Living direct support personnel if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. Adult Nursing services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Family Living Direct Support Personnel (including substitute care), if the individual has regularly scheduled medication.</p> <p><b>6.</b> Support Living- Family Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSM Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the New Mexico Nurse Practice Act and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>a. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations;</p> <p>b. When required by the DDSM Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:</p> <p>i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and</p>			
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<p>dates of administration;</p> <p>iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery;</p> <p>iv. Explanation of any medication error;</p> <p>v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p> <p>vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>c. The Family Living Provider Agency must also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose; and</p> <p>d. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.</p> <p>e. Medication Oversight is optional if the individual resides with their biological family (by affinity or consanguinity). If Medication Oversight is not selected as an Ongoing Nursing Service, all elements of medication administration and oversight are the sole responsibility of the individual and their biological family. Therefore, a monthly medication administration record (MAR) is not required unless the family requests it and continually communicates all medication changes to the provider agency in a timely manner to insure accuracy of the MAR.</p> <p>i. The family must communicate at least annually and as needed for significant</p>			
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<p>change of condition with the agency nurse regarding the current medications and the individual's response to medications for purpose of accurately completing required nursing assessments.</p> <p>ii. As per the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedure, paid DSP who are not related by affinity or consanguinity to the individual may not deliver medications to the individual unless they have completed Assisting with Medication Delivery (AWMD) training. DSP may also be under a delegation relationship with a DDW agency nurse or be a Certified Medication Aide (CMA). Where CMAs are used, the agency is responsible for maintaining compliance with New Mexico Board of Nursing requirements.</p> <p>iii. If the substitute care provider is a surrogate (not related by affinity or consanguinity) Medication Oversight must be selected and provided.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 2. Service Requirements L. Training and Requirements: 3.</b> Medication Delivery: Supported Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>h. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations;</p> <p>i. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication</p>			
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<p>Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</li> <li>ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</li> <li>iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery;</li> <li>iv. Explanation of any medication error;</li> <li>v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</li> <li>vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</li> </ul> <p>j. The Supported Living Provider Agency must also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose; and</p> <p>k. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected desired outcomes of administering the</p>			
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<p>medication, signs, and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements. B.</b> There must be compliance with all policy requirements for Intensive Medical Living Service Providers, including written policy and procedures regarding medication delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors consistent with the DDSO Medication Delivery Policy and Procedures, relevant Board of Nursing Rules, and Pharmacy Board standards and regulations.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b></p> <p><b>E. Medication Delivery:</b> Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSO Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>(2) When required by the DDSO Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:</p> <p>(a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p>			
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<p>(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</p> <p>(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;</p> <p>(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;</p> <p>(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p> <p>(f) For PRN medication, an explanation for the use of the PRN medication shall include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>(3) The Provider Agency shall also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose;</p> <p>(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;</p> <p>(5) Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications shall be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and shall include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;</p>			
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- the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period.

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**F. PRN Medication**

3. Prior to self-administration, self-administration with physical assist or assisting with delivery of PRN medications, the direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN medication is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention. This does not apply to home based/family living settings where the provider is related by affinity or by consanguinity to the individual.

4. The agency nurse shall review the utilization of PRN medications routinely. Frequent or escalating use of PRN medications must be reported to the PCP and discussed by the Interdisciplinary for changes to the overall support plan (see Section H of this policy).

**H. Agency Nurse Monitoring**

1. Regardless of the level of assistance with medication delivery that is required by the individual or the route through which the medication is delivered, the agency nurses must monitor the individual's response to the effects of their routine and PRN medications.

<p>The frequency and type of monitoring must be based on the nurse's assessment of the individual and consideration of the individual's diagnoses, health status, stability, utilization of PRN medications and level of support required by the individual's condition and the skill level and needs of the direct care staff. Nursing monitoring should be based on prudent nursing practice and should support the safety and independence of the individual in the community setting. The health care plan shall reflect the planned monitoring of the individual's response to medication.</p> <p><b>Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) - Procedure Title:</b>  <b>Medication Assessment and Delivery Procedure Eff Date: November 1, 2006</b></p> <p>C. 3. Prior to delivery of the PRN, direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention. (References: Psychotropic Medication Use Policy, Section D, page 5 Use of PRN Psychotropic Medications; and, Human Rights Committee Requirements Policy, Section B, page 4 Interventions Requiring Review and Approval – Use of PRN Medications).</p> <p>a. Document conversation with nurse including all reported signs and symptoms, advice given</p>			
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<p>and action taken by staff.</p> <p>4. Document on the MAR each time a PRN medication is used and describe its effect on the individual (e.g., temperature down, vomiting lessened, anxiety increased, the condition is the same, improved, or worsened, etc.).</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES</b>  <b>A. Living Supports- Family Living Services:</b>  The scope of Family Living Services includes, but is not limited to the following as identified by the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT):  <b>19.</b> Assisting in medication delivery, and related monitoring, in accordance with the DDSD's Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy regulations including skill development activities leading to the ability for individuals to self-administer medication as appropriate; and  <b>I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living.</b>  <b>3. B.</b> Adult Nursing Services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Lining Supports- Family Living direct support personnel if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. Adult Nursing services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Family Living Direct Support Personnel (including substitute care), if the individual has regularly scheduled medication.  <b>6.</b> Support Living- Family Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the New Mexico Nurse Practice Act and Board of</p>			
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<p>Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>f. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations;</p> <p>g. When required by the DDS Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:</p> <p>i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</p> <p>iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery;</p> <p>iv. Explanation of any medication error;</p> <p>v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p> <p>vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>h. The Family Living Provider Agency must also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose; and</p> <p>i. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected</p>			
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<p>desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.</p> <p>j. Medication Oversight is optional if the individual resides with their biological family (by affinity or consanguinity). If Medication Oversight is not selected as an Ongoing Nursing Service, all elements of medication administration and oversight are the sole responsibility of the individual and their biological family. Therefore, a monthly medication administration record (MAR) is not required unless the family requests it and continually communicates all medication changes to the provider agency in a timely manner to insure accuracy of the MAR.</p> <p>iv. The family must communicate at least annually and as needed for significant change of condition with the agency nurse regarding the current medications and the individual's response to medications for purpose of accurately completing required nursing assessments.</p> <p>v. As per the DDS Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedure, paid DSP who are not related by affinity or consanguinity to the individual may not deliver medications to the individual unless they have completed Assisting with Medication Delivery (AWMD) training. DSP may also be under a delegation relationship with a DDW agency nurse or be a Certified Medication Aide (CMA). Where CMAs are used, the agency is responsible for maintaining compliance with New Mexico Board of Nursing requirements.</p> <p>vi. If the substitute care provider is a surrogate (not related by affinity or consanguinity) Medication Oversight must be selected and provided.</p>			
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<p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) 2. Service Requirements L. Training and Requirements: 3. Medication Delivery:</b> Supported Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>I. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations;</p> <p>m. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include:</p> <p>i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician’s or licensed health care provider’s prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</p> <p>ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</p> <p>iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery;</p> <p>iv. Explanation of any medication error;</p> <p>v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</p>			
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<p>vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>n. The Supported Living Provider Agency must also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose; and</p> <p>o. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs, and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements. B.</b> There must be compliance with all policy requirements for Intensive Medical Living Service Providers, including written policy and procedures regarding medication delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors consistent with the DDSD Medication Delivery Policy and Procedures, relevant Board of Nursing Rules, and Pharmacy Board standards and regulations.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These</p>			
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<p>requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>E. Medication Delivery:</b> Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>(2) When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician’s written or licensed health care provider’s prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</li> <li>(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</li> <li>(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;</li> <li>(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;</li> <li>(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</li> <li>(f) For PRN medication, an explanation for the use of the PRN medication shall include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication</li> </ul>			
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<p>is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>(3) The Provider Agency shall also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose;</p> <p>(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;</p> <p>(5) Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications shall be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and shall include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;</p>			
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<p>DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy.</p> <p><b>I. Health Care Requirements for Family Living: 5.</b> A nurse employed or contracted by the Family Living Supports provider must complete the e-CHAT, the Aspiration Risk Screening Tool,(ARST), and the Medication Administration Assessment Tool (MAAT) and any other assessments deemed appropriate on at least an annual basis for each individual served, upon significant change of clinical condition and upon return from any hospitalizations. In addition, the MAAT must be updated for any significant change of medication regime, change of route that requires delivery by licensed or certified staff, or when an individual has completed training designed to improve their skills to support self-administration.</p> <p>a. For newly-allocated or admitted individuals, assessments are required to be completed within three (3) business days of admission or two (2) weeks following the initial ISP meeting, whichever comes first.</p> <p>b. For individuals already in services, the required assessments are to be completed no more than forty-five (45) calendar days and at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the annual ISP meeting.</p> <p>c. Assessments must be updated within three (3) business days following any significant change of clinical condition and within three (3) business days following return from hospitalization.</p> <p>d. Other nursing assessments conducted to determine current health status or to evaluate a change in clinical condition must be documented in a signed progress note that includes time and date as well as subjective</p>	<p>the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #20 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>• <i>Body Mass Index</i></li> <li>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #10 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #16 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #20 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>• <i>Bowel and Bladder</i></li> <li>◦ Individual #20 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>• <i>Oral Care</i></li> <li>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> </ul>		
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<p>information including the individual complaints, signs and symptoms noted by staff, family members or other team members; objective information including vital signs, physical examination, weight, and other pertinent data for the given situation (e.g., seizure frequency, method in which temperature taken); assessment of the clinical status, and plan of action addressing relevant aspects of all active health problems and follow up on any recommendations of medical consultants.</p> <p>e. Develop any urgently needed interim Healthcare Plans or MERPs per DDS policy pending authorization of ongoing Adult Nursing services as indicated by health status and individual/guardian choice.</p> <p><b>Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements:</b>  <b>D. Consumer Records Policy:</b> 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 DDS Individual Case File Matrix policy.  <b>2. Service Requirements. L. Training and Requirements. 5. Health Related Documentation:</b> For each individual receiving Living Supports- Supported Living, the provider agency must ensure and document the following:</p> <p>a. That an individual with chronic condition(s) with the potential to exacerbate into a life threatening condition, has a MERP developed by a licensed nurse or other appropriate professional according to the DDS Medical Emergency Response Plan Policy, that DSP have been trained to implement such plan(s),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #16 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> <li>• <i>Endocrine</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Falls</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Respiratory</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #10 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Skin and Wound</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #10 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Seizure Disorder</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #10 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Medical Emergency Response Plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Aspiration Risk</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #10 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>and ensure that a copy of such plan(s) are readily available to DSP in the home;</p> <p>b. That an average of five (5) hours of documented nutritional counseling is available annually, if recommended by the IDT and clinically indicated;</p> <p>c. That the nurse has completed legible and signed progress notes with date and time indicated that describe all interventions or interactions conducted with individuals served, as well as all interactions with other healthcare providers serving the individual. All interactions must be documented whether they occur by phone or in person; and</p> <p>d. Document for each individual that:</p> <p>i. The individual has a Primary Care Provider (PCP);</p> <p>ii. The individual receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as specified by a PCP;</p> <p>iii. The individual receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as specified by a licensed dentist;</p> <p>iv. The individual receives a hearing test as specified by a licensed audiologist;</p> <p>v. The individual receives eye examinations as specified by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist; and</p> <p>vi. 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).</p>	<p>the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p> <p>◦ Individual #20 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p> <p>• <i>Endocrine</i></p> <p>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p> <p>• <i>Falls</i></p> <p>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p> <p>• <i>Respiratory</i></p> <p>◦ Individual #4 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p> <p>◦ Individual #10 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.</p>		
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<p>vii. The agency nurse will provide the individual's team with a semi-annual nursing report that discusses the services provided and the status of the individual in the last six(6) months. This may be provided electronically or in paper format to the team no later than (2) weeks prior to the ISP and semi-annually.</p> <p>f. The Supported Living Provider Agency must ensure that activities conducted by agency nurses comply with the roles and responsibilities identified in these standards.</p> <p><b>Chapter 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements:</b></p> <p>C. Documents to be maintained in the agency administrative office, include:</p> <p>A. All assessments completed by the agency nurse, including the Intensive Medical Living Eligibility Parameters tool; for e-CHAT a printed copy of the current e-CHAT summary report shall suffice;</p> <p>F. Annual physical exams and annual dental exams (not applicable for short term stays);</p> <p>G. Tri-annual vision exam (Not applicable for short term stays. See Medicaid policy 8.310.6 for allowable exceptions for more frequent vision exam);</p> <p>H. Audiology/hearing exam as applicable (Not applicable for short term stays; See Medicaid policy 8.324.6 for applicable requirements);</p> <p>I. All other evaluations called for in the ISP for which the Services provider is responsible to arrange;</p> <p>J. Medical screening, tests and lab results (for short term stays, only those which occur during the period of the stay);</p>			
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<p>L. Record of medical and dental appointments, including any treatment provided (for short term stays, only those appointments that occur during the stay);</p> <p>O. Semi-annual ISP progress reports and MERP reviews (not applicable for short term stays);</p> <p>P. Quarterly nursing summary reports (not applicable for short term stays);</p> <p><b>NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:</b> A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past.</p> <p><b>B. Documentation of test results:</b> Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment.</p> <p><b>Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Policy. Medical Emergency Response Plan Policy MERP-001 eff.8/1/2010</b></p> <p>F. The MERP shall be written in clear, jargon free language and include at a minimum the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A brief, simple description of the condition or illness.</li> <li>2. A brief description of the most likely life threatening complications that might occur and what those complications may look like to an observer.</li> <li>3. A concise list of the most important</li> </ol>			
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<p>measures that may prevent the life threatening complication from occurring (e.g., avoiding allergens that trigger an asthma attack or making sure the person with diabetes has snacks with them to avoid hypoglycemia).</p> <p>4. Clear, jargon free, step-by-step instructions regarding the actions to be taken by direct support personnel (DSP) and/or others to intervene in the emergency, including criteria for when to call 911.</p> <p>5. Emergency contacts with phone numbers.</p> <p>6. Reference to whether the individual has advance directives or not, and if so, where the advance directives are located.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:</b> All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements... 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1. III. PROVIDER AGENCY DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY AND LOCATION - Healthcare Documentation by Nurses For Community Living Services, Community Inclusion Services and Private Duty Nursing Services: Chapter 1. III. E. (1 - 4) (1) Documentation of nursing assessment activities (2) Health related plans and (4) General Nursing Documentation</b></p>			
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Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver  
Service Standards effective 4/1/2007  
**CHAPTER 5 IV. COMMUNITY INCLUSION  
SERVICES PROVIDER AGENCY  
REQUIREMENTS B. IDT Coordination**  
(2) Coordinate with the IDT to ensure that  
each individual participating in Community  
Inclusion Services who has a score of 4, 5, or 6  
on the HAT has a Health Care Plan developed  
by a licensed nurse, and if applicable, a Crisis  
Prevention/Intervention Plan.



instructions for the completion and filing are available at the division's website, <http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/elibrary/ironline/ir.php> or may be obtained from the department by calling the toll free number.



<p>correspondence or other forms of communication utilizing the division's incident report form. The incident report form and instructions for the completion and filing are available at the division's website; <a href="http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/elibrary/ironline/ir.php">http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/elibrary/ironline/ir.php</a> or may be obtained from the department by calling the toll free number.</p> <p><b>(2) Division Incident Report Form and Notification by Community Based Service Providers:</b> The community based service provider shall report incidents utilizing the division's incident report form consistent with the requirements of the division's incident management system guide. The community based service provider shall ensure all incident report forms alleging abuse, neglect or misappropriation of consumer property submitted by a reporter with direct knowledge of an incident are completed on the division's incident report form and received by the division within twenty-four (24) hours of an incident or allegation of an incident or the next business day if the incident occurs on a weekend or a holiday. The community based service provider shall ensure that the reporter with the most direct knowledge of the incident prepares the incident report form.</p>			
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<p><b>Requirements Eff Date: March 1, 2003</b></p> <p><b>IV. POLICY STATEMENT - Human Rights</b>          Committees are required for residential service provider agencies. The purpose of these committees with respect to the provision of Behavior Supports is to review and monitor the implementation of certain Behavior Support Plans.</p> <p>Human Rights Committees may not approve any of the interventions specifically prohibited in the following policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aversive Intervention Prohibitions</li> <li>• Psychotropic Medications Use</li> <li>• Behavioral Support Service Provision.</li> </ul> <p>A Human Rights Committee may also serve other agency functions as appropriate, such as the review of internal policies on sexuality and incident management follow-up.</p> <p><b>A. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE ROLE IN BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS</b></p> <p>Only those Behavior Support Plans with an aversive intervention included as part of the plan or associated Crisis Intervention Plan need to be reviewed prior to implementation. Plans not containing aversive interventions do not require Human Rights Committee review or approval.</p> <p>2. The Human Rights Committee will determine and adopt a written policy stating the frequency and purpose of meetings. Behavior Support Plans approved by the Human Rights Committee will be reviewed at least quarterly.</p> <p>3. Records, including minutes of all meetings will be retained at the agency with primary responsibility for implementation for at least five years from the completion of each</p>			
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<p>individual's Individual Service Plan.</p> <p><b>Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) - Procedure Title:</b>  <b>Medication Assessment and Delivery Procedure Eff Date: November 1, 2006</b></p> <p><b>B. 1. e.</b> If the PRN medication is to be used in response to psychiatric and/or behavioral symptoms in addition to the above requirements, obtain current written consent from the individual, guardian or surrogate health decision maker and submit for review by the agency's Human Rights Committee (References: Psychotropic Medication Use Policy, Section D, page 5 Use of PRN Psychotropic Medications; and, Human Rights Committee Requirements Policy, Section B, page 4 Interventions Requiring Review and Approval – Use of PRN Medications).</p>			
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<p>b. Review implementation and the effectiveness of therapy, healthcare, PBSP, Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (BCIP), MERP, and Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan (CARMP) plans if applicable;</p> <p>c. Assist with resolution of service or support issues raised by the DSP or observed by the supervisor, service coordinator or other IDT members; and</p> <p>d. Monitor the Assistive Technology Inventory to ensure that needed adaptive equipment, augmentative communication and assistive technology devices are available and functioning properly.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6. III. REQUIREMENTS UNIQUE TO FAMILY LIVING SERVICES</b></p> <p><b>A. Support to Individuals in Family Living:</b> The Family Living Services Provider Agency shall provide and document:</p> <p>(5) Monthly consultation, by agency supervisors or internal service coordinators, with the direct support provider to include:</p> <p>(a) Review, advise, and prompt the implementation of the individual's ISP Action Plans, schedule of activities and appointments; and</p> <p>(b) Assist with service or support issues raised by the direct support provider or observed by supervisor, service coordinator or other IDT members.</p> <p><b>B. Home Studies.</b> The Family Living Services Provider Agency shall complete all DDSD requirements for approval of each direct support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Family Living (Annual Update) Home Study</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #13 - Not Current.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>provider, including completion of an approved home study and training prior to placement. After the initial home study, an updated home study shall be completed annually. The home study must also be updated each time there is a change in family composition or when the family moves to a new home. The content and procedures used by the Provider Agency to conduct home studies shall be approved by DDSD.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1. I. PROVIDER AGENCY ENROLLMENT PROCESS</b></p> <p><b>D. Scope of DDSD Agreement</b></p> <p>(4) Provider Agencies must have prior written approval of the Department of Health to subcontract any service other than Respite;</p> <p><b>NMAC 8.314.5.10 - DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVER</b></p> <p><b>ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS:</b></p> <p><b>I. Qualifications for community living service providers:</b> There are three types of community living services: Family living, supported living and independent living. Community living providers must meet all qualifications set forth by the DOH/DDSD, DDW definitions and service standards.</p> <p>(1) Family living service providers for adults must meet the qualifications for staff required by the DOH/DDSD, DDW service definitions and standards. The direct care provider employed by or subcontracting with the provider agency must be approved through a home study completed prior to provision of services and conducted at subsequent intervals required of the provider agency. All family living sub-contracts must be approved by the DOH/DDSD.</p>			
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<p><b>REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY LIVING</b></p> <p><b>G. Health Care Requirements for Community Living Services.</b></p> <p>(1) The Community Living Service providers shall ensure completion of a HAT for each individual receiving this service. The HAT shall be completed 2 weeks prior to the annual ISP meeting and submitted to the Case Manager and all other IDT Members. A revised HAT is required to also be submitted whenever the individual's health status changes significantly. For individuals who are newly allocated to the DD Waiver program, the HAT may be completed within 2 weeks following the initial ISP meeting and submitted with any strategies and support plans indicated in the ISP, or within 72 hours following admission into direct services, whichever comes first.</p> <p>(2) Each individual will have a Health Care Coordinator, designated by the IDT. When the individual's HAT score is 4, 5 or 6 the Health Care Coordinator shall be an IDT member, other than the individual. The Health Care Coordinator shall oversee and monitor health care services for the individual in accordance with these standards. In circumstances where no IDT member voluntarily accepts designation as the health care coordinator, the community living provider shall assign a staff member to this role.</p> <p>(3) For each individual receiving Community Living Services, the provider agency shall ensure and document the following:</p> <p>(a) Provision of health care oversight consistent with these Standards as detailed in Chapter One section III E: Healthcare Documentation by Nurses For Community Living Services, Community Inclusion Services and Private Duty Nursing Services.</p> <p>b) That each individual with a score of 4, 5,</p>	<p>matrix Dental Exams are to be conducted annually. No evidence of exam was found.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vision Exam</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #5 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #6 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #10 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #13 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #14 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #18 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #21 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> <li>◦ Individual #22 - As indicated by the DDS file matrix, Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>or 6 on the HAT, has a Health Care Plan developed by a licensed nurse.</p> <p>(c) That an individual with chronic condition(s) with the potential to exacerbate into a life threatening condition, has Crisis Prevention/ Intervention Plan(s) developed by a licensed nurse or other appropriate professional for each such condition.</p> <p>(4) That an average of 3 hours of documented nutritional counseling is available annually, if recommended by the IDT.</p> <p>(5) That the physical property and grounds are free of hazards to the individual's health and safety.</p> <p>(6) In addition, for each individual receiving Supported Living or Family Living Services, the provider shall verify and document the following:</p> <p>(a) The individual has a primary licensed physician;</p> <p>(b) The individual receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as specified by a licensed physician;</p> <p>(c) The individual receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as specified by a licensed dentist;</p> <p>(d) The individual receives eye examinations as specified by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist; and</p> <p>(e) Agency activities that occur as follow-up to medical appointments (e.g. treatment, visits to specialists, changes in medication or daily routine).</p>	<p>found.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bone Density Exam</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #8 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, the exam was ordered on 11/5/2013. No evidence of exam results was found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Nutritional Evaluation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #3 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, exam was completed on 1/30/2012. Follow-up was to be completed in 12 months. No evidence of follow-up found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Podiatry</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #5 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, exam was completed on 11/14/2013. Follow-up was to be completed in 4 months. No evidence of follow-up found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Sleep Apnea Study</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #17 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, exam was ordered at the Annual Physical on 9/10/2013. No evidence of exam results was found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Nephrology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Individual #20 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, exam was completed on 7/31/2013. Follow-up was to be completed in 3 months. No evidence of follow-up found.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>Delivery training or each individual's ISP; and</p> <p>h. Have accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures must address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 12 (SL) Living Supports – Supported Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports-Supported Living Services:</b> 1. Supported Living Provider Agencies must assure that each individual's residence is maintained to be clean, safe, and comfortable and accommodates the individual's daily living, social, and leisure activities. In addition the residence must:</p> <p>a. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water, and telephone;</p> <p>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;</p> <p>c. Ensure water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110° F) ;</p> <p>d. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system;</p> <p>e. Have a general-purpose First Aid kit;</p> <p>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</p>			
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<p>own bed;</p> <p>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;</p> <p>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</p> <p>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.</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements</b>  <b>R. Staff Qualifications: 3. Supervisor</b>  <b>Qualifications And Requirements:</b>  S Each residence shall include operable safety equipment, including but not limited to, an operable smoke detector or sprinkler system, a carbon monoxide detector if any natural gas appliance or heating is used, fire extinguisher, general purpose first aid kit, written procedures for emergency evacuation due to fire or other emergency and documentation of evacuation drills occurring at least annually during each shift, phone number for poison control within line of site of the telephone, basic utilities, general household appliances, kitchen and dining utensils, adequate food and drink for three meals per day, proper food storage, and cleaning supplies.</p> <p>T Each residence shall have a blood borne</p>			
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<p>pathogens kit as applicable to the residents' health status, personal protection equipment, and any ordered or required medical supplies shall also be available in the home.</p> <p>U If not medically contraindicated, and with mutual consent, up to two (2) individuals may share a single bedroom. Each individual shall have their own bed. All bedrooms shall have doors that may be closed for privacy. Individuals have the right to decorate their bedroom in a style of their choosing consistent with safe and sanitary living conditions.</p> <p>V For residences with more than two (2) residents, there shall be at least two (2) bathrooms. Toilets, tubs/showers used by the individuals shall provide for privacy and be designed or adapted for the safe provision of personal care. Water temperature shall be maintained at a safe level to prevent injury and ensure comfort and shall not exceed one hundred ten (110) degrees.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007  <b>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</b>  <b>L. Residence Requirements for Family Living Services and Supported Living Services</b></p>			
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Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
<b>Service Domain: Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement</b> – State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver.			
<b>Tag # IS30</b> <b>Customized Community Supports Reimbursement</b>	<b>Standard Level Deficiency</b>		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 4. REIMBURSEMENT A. Required Records:</b> All Provider Agencies must maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the type, quality, quantity and clinical necessity of services furnished to individuals who are currently receiving services. The Provider Agency records must be sufficiently detailed to substantiate the date, time, individual name, servicing Provider Agency, nature of services, and length of a session of service billed.</p> <p>1. The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record that is prepared prior to a request for reimbursement from the Human Services Department (HSD). For each unit billed, the record shall contain the following:</p> <p>a. Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval;</p> <p>b. A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and</p> <p>c. The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service.</p> <p><b>B. Billable Unit:</b></p> <p>1. The billable unit for Individual Customized</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency did not provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Customized Community Supports for 2 of 11 individuals.</p> <p>Individual #3 March 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Agency billed 120 units of Customized Community Supports (Individual) (H2021, HB U1) from 3/15/2014 through 3/31/2014. Documentation received accounted for 92 units.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #11 March 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Agency billed 58 units of Customized Community Supports (Individual) (H2021, HB U1) from 3/1/2014 through 3/15/2014. Documentation received accounted for 52 units.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Provider:</b> State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here: →</p> <p><b>Provider:</b> Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here: →</p>	

<p>Community Supports is a fifteen (15) minute unit.</p> <p>2. The billable unit for Community Inclusion Aide is a fifteen (15) minute unit.</p> <p>3. The billable unit for Group Customized Community Supports is a fifteen (15) minute unit, with the rate category based on the NM DDW group.</p> <p>4. The time at home is intermittent or brief; e.g. one hour time period for lunch and/or change of clothes. The Provider Agency may bill for providing this support under Customized Community Supports without prior approval from DDSD.</p> <p>5. The billable unit for Intensive Behavioral Customized Community Supports is a fifteen (15) minute unit. (There is a separate rate established for individuals who require one-to-one (1:1) support either in the community or in a group day setting due to behavioral challenges (NM DDW group G).</p> <p>6. The billable unit for Fiscal Management for Adult Education is dollars charged for each class including a 10% administrative processing fee.</p> <p><b>C. Billable Activities:</b></p> <p>1. All DSP activities that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Provided face to face with the individual;</li> <li>b. Described in the individual's approved ISP;</li> <li>c. Provided in accordance with the Scope of Services; and</li> </ul>			
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<p>d. Activities included in billable services, activities or situations.</p> <p>2. Purchase of tuition, fees, and/or related materials associated with adult education opportunities as related to the ISP Action Plan and Outcomes, not to exceed \$550 including administrative processing fee.</p> <p>3. Customized Community Supports can be included in ISP and budget with any other services.</p> <p><b>MAD-MR: 03-59 Eff 1/1/2004</b>  <b>8.314.1 BI RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:</b>  Providers must maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the extent of the services provided to the Medicaid recipient. Services that have been billed to Medicaid, but are not substantiated in a treatment plan and/or patient records for the recipient are subject to recoupment.</p>			
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<p>fifty (750) hours of substitute care as sick leave or relief for the primary caregiver.</p> <p><b>B. Billable Units:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The billable unit for Living Supports- Family Living is based on a daily rate. A day is determined based on whether the individual was residing in the home at midnight.</li> <li>2. The maximum allowable billable units cannot exceed three hundred forty (340) days per ISP year or one hundred seventy (170) days per six (6) months.</li> </ol> <p><b>Billable Activities:</b> Any activities which DSP provides in accordance with the Scope of Services for Living Supports which are not listed in non-billable services, activities or situations below.</p> <p><b>MAD-MR: 03-59 Eff 1/1/2004</b></p> <p><b>8.314.1 BI RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:</b></p> <p>Providers must maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the extent of the services provided to the Medicaid recipient. Services that have been billed to Medicaid, but are not substantiated in a treatment plan and/or patient records for the recipient are subject to recoupment.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 III. PROVIDER AGENCY DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY AND LOCATION</b></p> <p><b>B. Billable Units:</b> The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record that is prepared prior to a request for reimbursement from the HSD. For each</p>	<p>interval;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 7 units of Family Living (T2033, HB) from 2/8/2014 through 2/14/2014. Documentation did not contain the required elements on 2/8 - 14. Documentation received accounted for 0 units. One or more of the following elements was not met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Agency billed 7 units of Family Living (T2033, HB) from 2/15/2014 through 2/21/2014. Documentation did not contain the required elements on 2/15 - 19. Documentation received accounted for 2 units. One or more of the following elements was not met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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<p>unit billed, the record shall contain the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval;</li> <li>(2) A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and</li> <li>(3) The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service.</li> </ol> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6. IX. REIMBURSEMENT FOR COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICES</b></p> <p>B. Reimbursement for Family Living Services</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Billable Unit: The billable unit for Family Living Services is a daily rate for each individual in the residence. A maximum of 340 days (billable units) are allowed per ISP year.</li> <li>(2) Billable Activities shall include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Direct support provided to an individual in the residence any portion of the day;</li> <li>(b) Direct support provided to an individual by the Family Living Services direct support or substitute care provider away from the residence (e.g., in the community); and</li> <li>(c) Any other activities provided in accordance with the Scope of Services.</li> </ol> </li> <li>(3) Non-Billable Activities shall include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The Family Living Services Provider Agency may not bill the for room and board;</li> <li>(b) Personal care, nutritional counseling and nursing supports may not be billed as separate services for an individual receiving Family Living Services; and</li> <li>(c) Family Living services may not be billed for the same time period as</li> </ol> </li> </ol>			
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<p>Respite.</p> <p>(d) The Family Living Services Provider Agency may not bill on days when an individual is hospitalized or in an institutional care setting. For this purpose a day is counted from one midnight to the following midnight.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 -  <b>Chapter 6 - COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICES III. REQUIREMENTS UNIQUE TO FAMILY LIVING SERVICES</b>  <b>C. Service Limitations.</b> Family Living Services cannot be provided in conjunction with any other Community Living Service, Personal Support Service, Private Duty Nursing, or Nutritional Counseling. In addition, Family Living may not be delivered during the same time as respite; therefore, a specified deduction to the daily rate for Family Living shall be made for each unit of respite received.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 –  <b>DEFINITIONS: SUBSTITUTE CARE</b> means the provision of family living services by an agency staff or subcontractor during a planned/scheduled or emergency absence of the direct service provider.</p> <p><b>RESPITE</b> means a support service to allow the primary caregiver to take a break from care giving responsibilities while maintaining adequate supervision and support to the individual during the absence of the primary caregiver.</p>			
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Date: July 03, 2014

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Region: Southwest  
Survey Date: April 21 - 24, 2014  
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver  
Survey Type: Routine

RE: Request for an Informal Reconsideration of Findings

Dear Ms. Rojas,

Your request for a Reconsideration of Findings was received on *July 1, 2014*. Your request and the supporting evidence provided have been reviewed. Based on the review of applicable standards and regulations, review of the survey process and the evidence you provided, the following determinations have been made:

Regarding Tag # LS06/6L06

Determination: The IRF committee is upholding the original finding in the report of findings. You are required to complete the remainder of your Plan of Correction as previously indicated. Documentation received and reviewed during the IRF process does not support the removal of the citations disputed in this tag. Evidence of current DDS approval for subcontractors (family living providers) for Individuals #2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 18, 21 & 22 was not provided at the time of the on-site survey nor as evidence during the IRF process.

This concludes the Informal Reconsideration of Finding process. The IRF process is separate and apart from the Informal Dispute Resolution process or the Medicaid Fair Hearing process when DOH sanctions are imposed on a provider.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

*Crystal Lopez-Beck*

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Deputy Bureau Chief/QMB

Informal Reconsideration of Finding Committee Chair

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Survey Date: April 21 - 24, 2014  
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: **2012: Living Supports** (Family Living); **Inclusion Supports** (Customized Community Supports)  
Survey Type: Routine

Dear Ms. Rojas and Mr. Duran:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

*Tony Fragua*

Tony Fragua  
Plan of Correction Coordinator  
Quality Management Bureau/DHI

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