Date:	February 12, 2016
To:	Chandra Baker, Executive Director
Provider:	Links of Life, LLC
Address:	653 Utah Ave.
State/Zip:	Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001
E-mail Address:	cbakeruop2004@yahoo.com
Region:	Southwest
Survey Date:	January 11 - 13, 2016
Program Surveyed:	Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed:	***2012:*** *Living Supports* (Supported Living); *Inclusion Supports* (Customized Community Supports) and *Other* (Customized In-Home Supports)
Survey Type:	Routine
Team Leader:	Florence G. Mulheron, BA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau
Team Members:	Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Chris Melon, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Ms. Baker;

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

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

Partial Compliance with Conditions of Participation

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

- Tag # 1A32 and LS14 / 6L14 Individual Service Plan Implementation

This determination is based on noncompliance 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.

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.

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

Corrective Action:

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

On-going Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Processes:

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

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

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

1. **Quality Management Bureau, Attention: Amanda Castaneda, Plan of Correction Coordinator 1170 North Solano Suite D Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001**

2. **Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Regional Office for region of service surveyed**

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

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

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

Attention: Julie Ann Hill-Clapp
HSD/OIG
Program Integrity Unit
P.O. Box 2348
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348

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

Attention: Julie Ann Hill-Clapp
HSD/OIG
Program Integrity Unit
2025 S. Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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

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

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

See Attachment "C" for additional guidance in completing the request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings. The request for an IRF will not delay the implementation of your Plan of Correction which must be completed within 45 total business days (10 business days to submit your POC for approval and 35 days to implement your *approved* Plan of Correction). Providers may not appeal the nature or interpretation of the standard or regulation, the team composition or sampling methodology. If the IRF approves the modification or removal of a finding, you will be advised of any changes.

Please call the Plan of Correction Coordinator Amanda Castaneda at 575-373-5716 if you have questions about the Report of Findings or Plan of Correction. Thank you for your cooperation and for the work you perform.

Sincerely,

Florence G. Mulheron

Florence G. Mulheron, BA
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
Division of Health Improvement
Quality Management Bureau

Survey Process Employed:

Entrance Conference Date:	January 11, 2016	
Present:	**Links of Life, LLC** Chandra Baker, Executive Director **DOH/DHI/QMB** Florence G. Mulheron, BA, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor Chris Melon, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor	
Exit Conference Date:	January 13, 2016	
Present:	**Links of Life, LLC** Chandra Baker, Executive Director Mario Aguilar, Chief Executive Officer **DOH/DHI/QMB** Florence G. Mulheron, BA, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor Chris Melon, MPA, Healthcare Surveyor **DDSD - Southwest Regional Office** Jeana Caruthers, Southwest Regional Director	
Administrative Locations Visited	Number:	1
Total Sample Size	Number:	7 0 - *Jackson* Class Members 7 - Non-*Jackson* Class Members 6 - Supported Living 7 - Customized Community Supports 1 - Customized In-Home Supports
Total Homes Visited	Number:	5
❖ Supported Living Homes Visited	Number:	5 *Note: The following Individuals share a SL residence:* ➢ #4, 5
Persons Served Records Reviewed	Number:	7
Persons Served Interviewed	Number:	7
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed	Number:	9
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	Number:	73
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	Number:	2

Administrative Processes and Records Reviewed:

- Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement Records for all Services Provided
- Accreditation Records
- Oversight of Individual Funds
- Individual Medical and Program Case Files, including, but not limited to:
    - Individual Service Plans
    - Progress on Identified Outcomes
    - Healthcare Plans
    - Medication Administration Records
    - Medical Emergency Response Plans
    - Therapy Evaluations and Plans
    - Healthcare Documentation Regarding Appointments and Required Follow-Up
    - Other Required Health Information
- Internal Incident Management Reports and System Process / General Events Reports
- Personnel Files, including nursing and subcontracted staff
- Staff Training Records, Including Competency Interviews with Staff
- Agency Policy and Procedure Manual
- Caregiver Criminal History Screening Records
- Consolidated Online Registry/Employee Abuse Registry
- Human Rights Committee Notes and Meeting Minutes
- Evacuation Drills of Residences and Service Locations
- Quality Assurance / Improvement Plan

CC: Distribution List: DOH - Division of Health Improvement
DOH - Developmental Disabilities Supports Division
DOH - Office of Internal Audit
HSD - Medical Assistance Division
MFEAD – NM Attorney General

Attachment A

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

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

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

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

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

If you have questions about the Plan of Correction process, call the Plan of Correction Coordinator at 575-373-5716 or email at AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us. Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your Regional DDSD Office.

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

Instructions for Completing Agency POC:

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

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

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

1. How the specific and realistic corrective action will be accomplished for individuals found to have been affected by the deficient practice.
2. How the agency will identify other individuals who have the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice, and how the agency will act to protect individuals in similar situations.
3. What QA measures will be put into place or systemic changes made to ensure that the deficient practice will not recur

4. Indicate how the agency plans to monitor its performance to make sure that solutions are sustained. The agency must develop a QA plan for ensuring that correction is achieved and sustained. This QA plan must be implemented, and the corrective action evaluated for its effectiveness. The plan of correction is integrated into the agency quality assurance system; and
5. Include dates when corrective action will be completed. The corrective action completion dates must be acceptable to the State.

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

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

Note: **Instruction or in-service of staff alone may not be a sufficient plan of correction.** This is a good first step toward correction, but additional steps must be taken to ensure the deficiency is corrected and will not recur.

Completion Dates

- The plan of correction must include a **completion date** (entered in the far right-hand column) for each finding. Be sure the date is **realistic** in the amount of time your Agency will need to correct the deficiency; not to exceed 45 total business days.
- Direct care issues should be corrected immediately and monitored appropriately.
- Some deficiencies may require a staged plan to accomplish total correction.
- Deficiencies requiring replacement of equipment, etc., may require more time to accomplish correction but should show reasonable time frames.

Initial Submission of the Plan of Correction Requirements

1. The Plan of Correction must be completed on the official QMB Survey Report of Findings/Plan of Correction Form and received by QMB within ten (10) business days from the date you received the report of findings.
2. For questions about the POC process, call the POC Coordinator, Amanda Castaneda at 575-373-5716 or email at AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your Regional DDSD Office.
4. Submit your POC to Amanda Castaneda, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
    a. Electronically at AmandaE.Castaneda@state.nm.us *(preferred method)*
    b. Fax to 575-528-5019, or
    c. Mail to POC Coordinator, 1170 North Solano Ste D, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001

5. Do not submit supporting documentation (evidence of compliance) to QMB until after your POC has been approved by the QMB.
6. QMB will notify you when your POC has been "approved" or "denied."
    a. During this time, whether your POC is "approved," or "denied," you will have a maximum of 45 business days from the date of receipt of your Report of Findings to correct all survey deficiencies.
    b. If your POC is denied, it must be revised and resubmitted as soon as possible, as the 45 business day limit is in effect.
    c. If your POC is denied a second time your agency may be referred to the Internal Review Committee.
    d. You will receive written confirmation when your POC has been approved by QMB and a final deadline for completion of your POC.
    e. Please note that all POC correspondence will be sent electronically unless otherwise requested.
7. Failure to submit your POC within 10 business days without prior approval of an extension by QMB will result in a referral to the Internal Review Committee and the possible implementation of monetary penalties and/or sanctions.

POC Document Submission Requirements

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

1. Your internal documents are due within a ***maximum*** of 45 business days of receipt of your Report of Findings.
2. It is preferred that you submit your documents via USPS or other carrier (scanned and saved to CD/DVD disc, flash drive, etc.). If 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 DDSD Standards.
5. In lieu of some documents, you may submit copies of file or home audit forms that clearly indicate cited deficiencies have been corrected, other attestations of correction must be approved by the Plan of Correction Coordinator prior to their submission.
6. When billing deficiencies are cited, you must provide documentation to justify billing and/or void and adjust forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC for the deficiencies cited in the Report of Findings.

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

Attachment B

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

The Division of Health Improvement, Quality Management Bureau (QMB) surveys compliance of the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) standards and 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.

Attachment C

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

Introduction:

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

Instructions:

1. The Informal Reconsideration of the Finding (IRF) request must be received in writing to the QMB Deputy Bureau Chief **within 10 business days** of receipt of the final Report of Findings.
2. The written request for an IRF *must* be completed on the QMB Request for Informal Reconsideration of Finding form available on the QMB website: 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 IRF process, email the IRF Chairperson, Crystal Lopez-Beck at Crystal.Lopez-Beck@state.nm.us for assistance.

The following limitations apply to the IRF process:

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

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

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

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

Agency: **Links of Life, LLC – Southwest Region**
Program: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service: ***2012:*** *Living Supports* (Supported Living); *Inclusion Supports* (Customized Community Supports) and *Other* (Customized In-Home Supports)
Monitoring Type: Routine Survey
Survey Date: **January 11 – 13, 2016**

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Service Plans: ISP Implementation – *Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.*			
Tag # 1A08 **Agency Case File**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements** **H. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Consumer Records Policy. Additional documentation that is required to be maintained at the administrative office includes: 1. Vocational Assessments that are of quality and contain content acceptable to DVR and DDSD; 2. Career Development Plans as incorporated in the ISP; and 3. Documentation of evidence that services provided under the DDW are not otherwise available under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (DVR). **Chapter 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements:** **G. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file at the administrative office for 1 of 7 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: • **ISP Teaching and Support Strategies** ◦ *Individual #4 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Relationship/Have Fun Outcome Statement ➢ "Participate in activity" • Positive Behavioral Support Plan (#4) • Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (#4)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

policy. Additional documentation that is required to be maintained at the administrative office includes: 1. Vocational Assessments (if applicable) that are of quality and contain content acceptable to DVR and DDSD. **Chapter 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements:** **E. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements:** **D. Consumer Records Policy:** All Family Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements:** **D. Consumer Records Policy:** All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements:** C. Documents to be maintained in the agency administrative office, include: (This is not an all-inclusive list refer to standard as it includes other items) • Emergency contact information; • Personal identification; • ISP budget forms and budget prior authorization; • ISP with signature page and all applicable assessments, including teaching and support strategies, Positive Behavior Support Plan			

(PBSP), Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (BCIP), or other relevant behavioral plans, Medical Emergency Response Plan (MERP), Healthcare Plan, Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan (CARMP), and Written Direct Support Instructions (WDSI); • Dated and signed evidence that the individual has been informed of agency grievance/complaint procedure at least annually, or upon admission for a short term stay; • Copy of Guardianship or Power of Attorney documents as applicable; • Behavior Support Consultant, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist and Speech-Language Pathology progress reports as applicable, except for short term stays; • Written consent by relevant health decision maker and primary care practitioner for self-administration of medication or assistance with medication from DSP as applicable; • Progress notes written by DSP and nurses; • Signed secondary freedom of choice form; • Transition Plan as applicable for change of provider in past twelve (12) months. **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director's Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012** **III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications:** A. All case management, living supports, customized in-home supports, community integrated employment and customized community supports providers must maintain records for individuals served through DD Waiver in accordance with the Individual Case File Matrix incorporated in this director's release. H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system.			

Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements: (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; (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); (3) Progress notes and other service delivery documentation; (4) Crisis Prevention/Intervention Plans, if there are any for the individual; (5) A medical history, which shall include at least demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the developmental disability, psychiatric diagnoses, allergies (food, environmental, medications), immunizations, and most recent physical exam; (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			

(7) Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the individual upon request. (8) The receiving Provider Agency shall be provided at a minimum the following records whenever an individual changes provider agencies: (a) Complete file for the past 12 months; (b) ISP and quarterly reports from the current and prior ISP year; (c) Intake information from original admission to services; and (d) When applicable, the Individual Transition Plan at the time of discharge from Los Lunas Hospital and Training School or Ft. Stanton Hospital. **NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:** A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past. B. **Documentation of test results:** Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment.			

Tag # 1A08.1 Agency Case File - Progress Notes	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements: 6. Reimbursement A. 1.** …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… **Chapter 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements: 4. Reimbursement A. Record Requirements 1.** …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… **Chapter 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements: 4. Reimbursement A. 1.**…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… **Chapter 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements: 4. Reimbursement A. 1.**…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… **Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements: 2. Reimbursement A. 1.** 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…	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain progress notes and other service delivery documentation for 1 of 7 Individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found: **Customized Community Services Notes/Daily Contact Logs** • Individual #7 - None found for 9/7 – 11, 2015	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

Chapter 13 (IMLS) 3. Agency Requirements: 4. Reimbursement A. 1.…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… **Chapter 15 (ANS) 4. Reimbursement A. 1.** …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… Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements: (3) Progress notes and other service delivery documentation;			

Tag # 1A32 and LS14 / 6L14 Individual Service Plan Implementation	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.26.5.16.C and D Development of the ISP. Implementation of the ISP. The ISP shall be implemented according to the timelines determined by the IDT and as specified in the ISP for each stated desired outcomes and action plan. C. The IDT shall review and discuss information and recommendations with the individual, with the goal of supporting the individual in attaining desired outcomes. The IDT develops an ISP based upon the individual's personal vision statement, strengths, needs, interests and preferences. The ISP is a dynamic document, revised periodically, as needed, and amended to reflect progress towards personal goals and achievements consistent with the individual's future vision. This regulation is consistent with standards established for individual plan development as set forth by the commission on the accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF) and/or other program accreditation approved and adopted by the developmental disabilities division and the department of health. It is the policy of the developmental disabilities division (DDD), that to the extent permitted by funding, each individual receive supports and services that will assist and encourage independence and productivity in the community and attempt to prevent regression or loss of current capabilities. Services and supports include specialized and/or generic services, training, education and/or treatment as determined by the IDT and documented in the ISP.	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not implement the ISP according to the timelines determined by the IDT and as specified in the ISP for each stated desired outcomes and action plan for 7 of 7 individuals. As indicated by Individuals ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes: **Administrative Files Reviewed:** **Supported Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes**: Individual #4 • According to the live Outcome; Action Step for "… will search and choose recipes" is to be completed 1 time per week, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 9/2015 - 12/2015. • According to the Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome; Action Step for "Choose Project, items to work on" is to be completed 1 time per week, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 10/2015 - 11/2015.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

D. The intent is to provide choice and obtain opportunities for individuals to live, work and play with full participation in their communities. The following principles provide direction and purpose in planning for individuals with developmental disabilities. [05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01]	Individual #5 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "…will work on garden" for 6/2015 – 12/2015. Action step is to be 1 time per week. Individual #6 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "…will learn the purpose of each of her medications" for 8/2015. Action step is to be completed daily. • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will learn the purpose of each of her medications" is to be completed daily, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 9/2015 - 11/2015. Individual #7 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "…will research and use self-help resources" for 9/2015 - 11/2015. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week. • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "…will repeat positive self-affirmations to herself in the mirror" for 9/2015 - 11/2015. Action step is to be completed daily. • None found regarding: Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome/Action Step: "… will research recipes and study nutrition and measurement information of the meal to identify portion sizes" for 9/2015 - 11/2015. Action step is to be completed 2-3 times per week.		

	• None found regarding: Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome/Action Step: … will use measuring equipment to prepare the meal and apply portion sizes to her servings" for 9/2015 - 11/2015. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week. • None found regarding: Develop Relationships/Have Fun Outcome/Action Step: "…will contact with [*sic*] at least two people for conversation/plan an outing/visit to [*sic*] each other's homes" for 9/2015 - 11/2015. Action step is to be completed 4-7 times per week. **Customized Community Supports Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes**: Individual #2 • According to the Develop Relationships/Have Fun Outcome; Action Step for "… will plan and host a social event is to be completed 1 time per month, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 12/2015. Individual #4 • According to the Relationship/Have Fun Outcome; Action Step for "… will choose pictures to print" is to be completed 1 time per week, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 12/2015. • According to the Relationship/Have Fun Outcome; Action Step for "… will participate		

	in activity weekly" is to be completed 1 time per week, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 9/2015 – 12/2015. Individual #7 • No Outcomes/action steps or DDSD exemption/decision justification found for Customized Community Supports Services. As indicated by NMAC 7.26.5.14 "Outcomes are required for any life area for which the individual receives services funded by the developmental disabilities Medicaid waiver." **Customized In-Home Supports Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes**: Individual #3 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "… will set med reminder/take meds as prescribed/document" is to be completed daily, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 9/2015 - 11/2015. **Residential Files Reviewed:** **Supported Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes**: Individual #1 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "Goes and looks for outfits so she [*sic*] will know how much he will needs [*sic*] to safe [*sic*] for" for 1/1 – 12/2016. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week.		

	Individual #2 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "… will plan and prepare a simple dish" for 1/1 – 11/2016. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week. Individual #4 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "… will search and choose recipes" for 1/1 – 11/2016. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week. Individual #5 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "… and staff will research drawing courses offered in the community" for 1/1 – 11/2016. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week. Individual #6 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "… will learn the purpose of each of her medications" for 1/1 – 9/2016. Action step is to be completed daily. • According to the Live Outcome; Actions Steps for "… will learn the purpose of each of her medications" is to be completed daily evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 1/10 – 12/2016. Individual #7 • None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "…will research and use self-help resources" for 1/1 – 12/2016. Action step is to be completed 1 time per week.		

	• None found regarding: Live Outcome/Action Step: "…will repeat positive self-affirmations to herself in the mirror" for 1/1 – 12/2016. Action step is to be completed daily. • None found regarding: Develop Relationships/Have Fun Outcome/Action Step: "…will contact with [*sic*] at least two people for conversation/plan an outing/visit to [*sic*] each other's homes" for 1/1 – 12/2016. Action step is to be completed 4-7 times per week.		

Tag # IS11 / 5I11 Reporting Requirements Inclusion Reports	Standard Level Deficiency		
7.26.5.17 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - DISSEMINATION OF THE ISP, DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE: C. Objective quantifiable data reporting progress or lack of progress towards stated outcomes, and action plans shall be maintained in the individual's records at each provider agency implementing the ISP. Provider agencies shall use this data to evaluate the effectiveness of services provided. Provider agencies shall submit to the case manager data reports and individual progress summaries quarterly, or more frequently, as decided by the IDT. These reports shall be included in the individual's case management record, and used by the team to determine the ongoing effectiveness of the supports and services being provided. Determination of effectiveness shall result in timely modification of supports and services as needed. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements:** **I. Reporting Requirements:** The Community Integrated Employment Agency must submit the following: 1. Semi-annual progress reports to the case manager one hundred ninety (190) calendar days following the date of the annual ISP; a. Written updates to the ISP Work/Learn Action Plan annually or as necessary due to change in work goals to the case manager. These updates do not require an	Based on record review, the Agency did not complete written status reports as required for 2 of 7 individuals receiving Inclusion Services. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, and/or incomplete: • Individual #4 - None found for 7/2015 - 10/2015. *(Term of ISP 2/2015 – 1/2016). (Date of ISP Meeting 11/4/2015)* • Individual #7 - None found for 6/2015 - 10/2015. Report covered *4/2015 - 6/2015*. *(Term of ISP 4/19/2015 – 4/18/2016). (Per regulations reports must coincide with ISP term)*	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

IDT meeting unless changes requiring team input need to be made (e.g., adding more hours to the Community Integrated Employment budget); b. Written annual updates to the ISP work/learn action plan to DDSD; 2. VAP to the case manager if completed externally to the ISP; 3. Initial ISP reflecting the Vocational Assessment or the annual ISP with the updated VAP integrated or a copy of an external VAP if one was completed to DDSD; 4. Quarterly Community Integrated Employment Wage and Hour Reports for individuals employed and in job development to DDSD based on the DDSD fiscal year; and a. Data related to the requirements of the Performance Contract to DDSD quarterly. **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements: H. Reporting Requirements:** The Customized Community Supports Provider Agency shall submit the following: 1. Semi-annual progress reports one hundred ninety (190) days following the date of the annual ISP, and 14 days prior to the annual IDT meeting: a. Identification of and implementation of a Meaningful Day definition for each person served; b. Documentation for each date of service delivery summarizing the following: i. Choice based options offered throughout the day; and			

ii. Progress toward outcomes using age appropriate strategies specified in each individual's action steps in the ISP, and associated support plans/WDSI. c. Record of personally meaningful community inclusion activities; and d. Written updates, to the ISP Work/Learn Action Plan annually or as necessary due to change in work goals. These updates do not require an IDT meeting unless changes requiring team input need to be made. e. Data related to the requirements of the Performance Contract to DDSD quarterly. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 5 IV. COMMUNITY INCLUSION SERVICES PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS** **E. Provider Agency Reporting Requirements:** All Community Inclusion Provider Agencies are required to submit written quarterly status reports to the individual's Case Manager no later than fourteen (14) calendar days following the end of each quarter. In addition to reporting required by specific Community Access, Supported Employment, and Adult Habilitation Standards, the quarterly reports shall contain the following written documentation: (1) Identification and implementation of a meaningful day definition for each person served; (2) Documentation summarizing the following: (a) Daily choice-based options; and			

(b) Daily progress toward goals using age-appropriate strategies specified in each individual's action plan in the ISP. (3) Significant changes in the individual's routine or staffing; (4) Unusual or significant life events; (5) Quarterly updates on health status, including changes in medication, assistive technology needs and durable medical equipment needs; (6) Record of personally meaningful community inclusion; (7) Success of supports as measured by whether or not the person makes progress toward his or her desired outcomes as identified in the ISP; and (8) Any additional reporting required by DDSD.			

Tag # LS14 / 6L14 Residential Case File	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements** **C. Residence Case File:** The Agency must maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. Residence case files are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements** **C. Residence Case File:** The Agency must maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. Residence case files are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements** **B.1. Documents To Be Maintained In The Home:** a. 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; b. Personal identification; c. 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; d. Dated and signed consent to release information forms as applicable; e. Current orders from health care practitioners; f. Documentation and maintenance of accurate medical history in Therap website; g. Medication Administration Records for the current month;	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file in the residence for 6 of 6 Individuals receiving Supported Living Services. Review of the residential individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: • **Current Emergency and Personal Identification Information** ◦ Did not contain individual's correct address Information (#2) • Annual ISP (#2, 5, 6) • ISP Signature Page (#2, 5, 6) • Individual Specific Training Section of ISP (formerly Addendum B) (#2, 5, 6) • **ISP Teaching and Support Strategies** ◦ *Individual #2 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Live Outcome Statement ➢ "… will plan and prepare a simple dish" ◦ *Individual #5 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Live Outcome Statement ➢ "… and staff will research drawing courses offered in the community" • Positive Behavioral Plan (#4, 5, 6) • Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (#4)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

h. Record of medical and dental appointments for the current year, or during the period of stay for short term stays, including any treatment provided; i. Progress notes written by DSP and nurses; j. Documentation and data collection related to ISP implementation; k. Medicaid card; l. Salud membership card or Medicare card as applicable; and m. A Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) document and/or Advanced Directives as applicable. **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director's Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012** **III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications:** A. All case management, living supports, customized in-home supports, community integrated employment and customized community supports providers must maintain records for individuals served through DD Waiver in accordance with the Individual Case File Matrix incorporated in this director's release. H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system. ***Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007*** **CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS** **A. Residence Case File:** For individuals receiving Supported Living or Family Living, the Agency shall maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. For individuals receiving Independent Living Services, rather than maintaining this file at the individual's home, the complete and current	• **Special Health Care Needs** ◦ Nutritional Plan (#1) ◦ Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan: ➢ Not Found (#1) • **Health Care Plans** ◦ Constipation (#7)		

confidential case file for each individual shall be maintained at the agency's administrative site. Each file shall include the following: (1) Complete and current ISP and all supplemental plans specific to the individual; (2) Complete and current Health Assessment Tool; (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; (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); (5) Data collected to document ISP Action Plan implementation (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; (7) Physician's or qualified health care providers written orders; (8) Progress notes documenting implementation of a physician's or qualified health care provider's order(s); (9) Medication Administration Record (MAR) for the past three (3) months which includes: (a) The name of the individual; (b) A transcription of the healthcare practitioners prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication; (c) Diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;			

(d) Dosage, frequency and method/route of delivery; (e) Times and dates of delivery; (f) Initials of person administering or assisting with medication; and (g) An explanation of any medication irregularity, allergic reaction or adverse effect. (h) For PRN medication an explanation for the use of the PRN must include: (i) Observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and (ii) Documentation of the effectiveness/result of the PRN delivered. (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. (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 (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.			

Tag # LS17 / 6L17 Reporting Requirements (Community Living Reports)	Standard Level Deficiency		
7.26.5.17 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - DISSEMINATION OF THE ISP, DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE: C. Objective quantifiable data reporting progress or lack of progress towards stated outcomes, and action plans shall be maintained in the individual's records at each provider agency implementing the ISP. Provider agencies shall use this data to evaluate the effectiveness of services provided. Provider agencies shall submit to the case manager data reports and individual progress summaries quarterly, or more frequently, as decided by the IDT. These reports shall be included in the individual's case management record, and used by the team to determine the ongoing effectiveness of the supports and services being provided. Determination of effectiveness shall result in timely modification of supports and services as needed. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Living Supports- Family Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements:** 1. **Semi-Annual Reports:** Family Living Provider must submit written semi-annual status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than one hundred ninety (190) calendar days after the ISP effective date. When reports are developed in any other language than English, it is the responsibility of the provider to translate the reports into English. The semi-annual reports	Based on record review, the Agency did not complete written status reports for 2 of 6 individuals receiving Living Services. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, and/or incomplete: **Supported Living Semi-Annual Reports:** • Individual #4 - None found for 7/2015 - 10/2015. *(Term of ISP 2/2015 – 1/2016). (Date of ISP Meeting 11/4/2015)* • Individual #7 - None found for 6/2015 - 10/2015. Report covered *4/2015 - 6/2015*. *(Term of ISP 4/19/2015 – 4/18/2016). (Per regulations reports must coincide with ISP term)*	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

must contain the following written documentation: a. Name of individual and date on each page; b. Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans; c. Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the past six month; d. Significant changes in routine or staffing; e. Unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health condition; f. Data reports as determined by IDT members; and g. Signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the reports. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Living Supports- Supported Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements:** 1. **Semi-Annual Reports:** Supported Living providers must submit written semi-annual status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than one hundred ninety (190) calendar days after the ISP effective date. When reports are developed in any other language than English, it is the responsibility of the provider to translate the reports into English. The semi-annual reports must contain the following written documentation: a. Name of individual and date on each page;			

b. Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans; c. Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the past six (6) months; d. Significant changes in routine or staffing; e. Unusual or significant life events, including significant change of health condition; f. Data reports as determined by IDT members; and g. Signature of the agency staff responsible for preparing the reports. **CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 3. Agency Requirements: F. Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Program:** 4. Intensive Medical Living Services providers shall submit a written semi-annual (non-nursing) status report to the individual's case manager and other IDT members no later than the one hundred ninetieth (190th) day following ISP effective date. These semi-annual status reports shall contain at least the following information: a. Status of completion of ISP Action Plans and associated support plans and/or WDSI; b. Progress towards desired outcomes; c. Significant changes in routine or staffing; d. Unusual or significant life events; and			

e. Data reports as determined by the IDT members; Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS** D. Community Living Service Provider Agency Reporting Requirements: **All Community Living Support providers shall submit written quarterly status reports to the individual's Case Manager and other IDT Members no later than fourteen (14) days following the end of each ISP quarter. The quarterly reports shall contain the following written documentation:** (1) Timely completion of relevant activities from ISP Action Plans (2) Progress towards desired outcomes in the ISP accomplished during the quarter; (3) Significant changes in routine or staffing; (4) Unusual or significant life events; (5) Updates on health status, including medication and durable medical equipment needs identified during the quarter; and (6) Data reports as determined by IDT members.			

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Qualified Providers – *The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements. The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with State requirements and the approved waiver.*			
Tag # 1A20 **Direct Support Personnel Training**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy - Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 - II. POLICY STATEMENTS: A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff. B. Staff shall complete individual-specific (formerly known as "Addendum B") training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the individual service plan (ISP) of each individual served. C. Staff shall complete training on DOH-approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13. D. Staff providing direct services shall complete training in universal precautions on an annual basis. The training materials shall meet Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements. E. Staff providing direct services shall maintain certification in first aid and CPR. The training materials shall meet OSHA requirements/guidelines. F. Staff who may be exposed to hazardous chemicals shall complete relevant training in accordance with OSHA requirements. G. Staff shall be certified in a DDSD-approved behavioral intervention system (e.g., Mandt, CPI) before using physical restraint techniques.	Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Orientation and Training requirements were met for 19 of 73 Direct Support Personnel. Review of Direct Support Personnel training records found no evidence of the following required DOH/DDSD trainings and certification being completed: • Pre- Service (DSP #269) • Foundation for Health and Wellness (DSP #248) • First Aid (DSP #203, 208, 212, 233, 245, 247, 248, 258, 263, 272) • CPR (DSP #203, 208, 212, 233, 247, 248, 258, 263, 272) • Assisting With Medication Delivery (DSP #206, 224, 225, 227, 232, 245, 247, 248, 252, 263, 268, 272) • Participatory Communication and Choice Making (DSP #248) • Rights and Advocacy (DSP #248, 252)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

Staff members providing direct services shall maintain certification in a DDSD-approved behavioral intervention system if an individual they support has a behavioral crisis plan that includes the use of physical restraint techniques. H. Staff shall complete and maintain certification in a DDSD-approved medication course in accordance with the DDSD Medication Delivery Policy M-001. I. Staff providing direct services shall complete safety training within the first thirty (30) days of employment and before working alone with an individual receiving service. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements G. Training Requirements: 1.** All Community Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements F. Meet all training requirements as follows: 1.** All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy; **CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements C. Training Requirements:** The Provider Agency must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy. The Provider Agency must ensure that the personnel support staff have completed training as specified in the	• Supporting People with Challenging Behaviors (DSP #248, 263, 265) • Teaching and Support Strategies (DSP# 248, 252)		

DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Family Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:** A. All Family Living Provider agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff policy. DSP's or subcontractors delivering substitute care under Family Living must at a minimum comply with the section of the training policy that relates to Respite, Substitute Care, and personal support staff [Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff; Sec. II-J, Items 1-4]. Pursuant to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Family Living Provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Supported Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:** A. All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff. Pursuant to CMS requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has			

completed all necessary training required by the state. All Supported Living provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements. **CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) R. 2. Service Requirements. Staff Qualifications 2. DSP Qualifications.** E. Complete training requirements as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff - effective March 1, 2007. Report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy;			

Tag # 1A22 Agency Personnel Competency	Standard Level Deficiency		
Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy - Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 - II. POLICY STATEMENTS: A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff. B. Staff shall complete individual specific (formerly known as "Addendum B") training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the individual service plan (ISP) for each individual serviced. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements G. Training Requirements: 1.** All Community Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. 3. Ensure direct service personnel receives Individual Specific Training as outlined in each individual ISP, including aspects of support plans (healthcare and behavioral) or WDSI that pertain to the employment environment. **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements F. Meet all training requirements as follows: 1.** All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy; **CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements C. Training Requirements:** The Provider Agency must report required personnel training	Based on interview, the Agency did not ensure training competencies were met for 1 of 9 Direct Support Personnel. **When DSP were asked if the Individual had a Medical Emergency Response Plans and if so, what the plan(s) covered, the following was reported:** • DSP #6 stated, "No" As indicated by the Individual Specific Training section of the ISP indicates the Individual requires a Medical Emergency Response Plan for Allergies. (Individual #6)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy. The Provider Agency must ensure that the personnel support staff have completed training as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. 3. Staff shall complete individual specific training requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each individual served; and 4. Staff that assists the individual with medication (e.g., setting up medication, or reminders) must have completed Assisting with Medication Delivery (AWMD) Training. **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Family Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:** A. All Family Living Provider agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff policy. DSP's or subcontractors delivering substitute care under Family Living must at a minimum comply with the section of the training policy that relates to Respite, Substitute Care, and personal support staff [Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff; Sec. II-J, Items 1-4]. Pursuant to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Family Living Provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and			

Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements. B. Individual specific training must be arranged and conducted, including training on the Individual Service Plan outcomes, actions steps and strategies and associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP etc), information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERPs, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Family Living providers must notify the relevant support plan author whenever a new DSP is assigned to work with an individual, and therefore needs to receive training, or when an existing DSP requires a refresher. The individual should be present for and involved in individual specific training whenever possible. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Supported Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:** A. All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: for Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff. Pursuant to CMS requirements, the services that a provider renders may only be claimed for federal match if the provider has completed all necessary training required by the state. All Supported Living provider agencies must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and			

Documentation for DDSD Training Requirements. B Individual specific training must be arranged and conducted, including training on the ISP Outcomes, actions steps and strategies, associated support plans (e.g. health care plans, MERP, PBSP and BCIP, etc), and information about the individual's preferences with regard to privacy, communication style, and routines. Individual specific training for therapy related WDSI, Healthcare Plans, MERP, CARMP, PBSP, and BCIP must occur at least annually and more often if plans change or if monitoring finds incorrect implementation. Supported Living providers must notify the relevant support plan author whenever a new DSP is assigned to work with an individual, and therefore needs to receive training, or when an existing DSP requires a refresher. The individual should be present for and involved in individual specific training whenever possible. **CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) R. 2. Service Requirements. Staff Qualifications 2. DSP Qualifications.** E. Complete training requirements as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff - effective March 1, 2007. Report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy;			

Tag # 1A26 Consolidated On-line Registry Employee Abuse Registry	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.1.12.8 REGISTRY ESTABLISHED; PROVIDER INQUIRY REQUIRED: Upon the effective date of this rule, the department has established and maintains an accurate and complete electronic registry that contains the name, date of birth, address, social security number, and other appropriate identifying information of all persons who, while employed by a provider, have been determined by the department, as a result of an investigation of a complaint, to have engaged in a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation of a person receiving care or services from a provider. Additions and updates to the registry shall be posted no later than two (2) business days following receipt. Only department staff designated by the custodian may access, maintain and update the data in the registry. A. **Provider requirement to inquire of registry**. A provider, prior to employing or contracting with an employee, shall inquire of the registry whether the individual under consideration for employment or contracting is listed on the registry. B. **Prohibited employment.** A provider may not employ or contract with an individual to be an employee if the individual is listed on the registry as having a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation of a person receiving care or services from a provider. D. **Documentation of inquiry to registry**. The provider shall maintain documentation in the employee's personnel or employment records that evidences the fact that the provider made	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation in the employee's personnel records that evidenced inquiry into the Employee Abuse Registry prior to employment for 2 of 75 Agency Personnel. **The following Agency Personnel records contained evidence that indicated the Employee Abuse Registry check was completed after hire:** **Direct Support Personnel (DSP):** • #207 – Date of hire 1/27/2014, completed 1/30/2015. • #242 – Date of hire 5/22/2015, completed 5/28/2015.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

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

Tag # 1A28.1 Incident Mgt. System - Personnel Training	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.1.14 ABUSE, NEGLECT, EXPLOITATION, AND DEATH REPORTING, TRAINING AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY PROVIDERS **NMAC 7.1.14.9 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS:** **A. General:** All community-based service providers shall establish and maintain an incident management system, which emphasizes the principles of prevention and staff involvement. The community-based service provider shall ensure that the incident management system policies and procedures requires all employees and volunteers to be competently trained to respond to, report, and preserve evidence related to incidents in a timely and accurate manner. **B. Training curriculum:** Prior to an employee or volunteer's initial work with the community-based service provider, all employees and volunteers shall be trained on an applicable written training curriculum including incident policies and procedures for identification, and timely reporting of abuse, neglect, exploitation, suspicious injury, and all deaths as required in Subsection A of 7.1.14.8 NMAC. The trainings shall be reviewed at annual, not to exceed 12-month intervals. The training curriculum as set forth in Subsection C of 7.1.14.9 NMAC may include computer-based training. Periodic reviews shall include, at a minimum, review of the written training curriculum and site-specific issues pertaining to the community-based service provider's facility. Training shall be conducted in a language that is understood by the employee or volunteer.	Based on record review and interview, the Agency did not ensure Incident Management Training for 3 of 75 Agency Personnel. **Direct Support Personnel (DSP):** • Incident Management Training (Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation) (DSP# 202, 237, 244)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

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

curricula shall be kept on the provider premises and made available upon request by the department. Training documentation shall be made available immediately upon a division representative's request. Failure to provide employee and volunteer training documentation shall subject the community-based service provider to the penalties provided for in this rule. **Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007 II. POLICY STATEMENTS:** A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff. C. Staff shall complete training on DOH-approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13.			

Tag #1A40 Provider Requirement Accreditation	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.26.6.6 OBJECTIVE: A. These regulations are being promulgated to promote and assure the provision of quality services to persons with developmental disabilities residing in community agencies. B. These regulations are being promulgated as part of a quality assurance initiative requiring all community agencies providing services to persons with developmental disabilities and contracting with the developmental disabilities division to be accredited by the commission on accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF). **7.26.6.14 CARF STANDARDS MANUAL FOR ORGANIZATIONS SERVING PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:** Community agencies governed by these regulations are required to meet applicable provisions of the most current edition of the "CARF Standards Manual for Organizations Serving People with Disabilities". Sections of the CARF standards may be waived by the Department when deemed not applicable to the services provided by the community agency. **Long Term Services Division Policy -** Accreditation of Long Term Services Division Funded Providers eff. August 30, 2004 **A. Mandate for Accreditation** The Department of Health, Long Term Services Division (hereafter referred to as the Division) will contract only with agencies/organizations accredited in compliance with this policy. 1. Within eighteen (18) months of an initial contract or change in exemption status as defined in this policy, the contractor must provide the Division with written verification of	Based on observation and interview, the Agency did not obtain the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or the Council on Quality and Leadership in Supports for People with Disabilities (The Council) accreditation or the applicable waiver from the Developmental Disability Support Division. **When #274 was asked if the Agency had evidence of current CARF accreditation or a waiver from DDSD the following was reported:** • #274 stated, "I have it and will get if for you." Agency accreditation or DDSD wavier had not been provided as of 1/13/20016.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or the Council on Quality and Leadership in Supports for People with Disabilities (The Council). 2. Except as provided in this policy, the Division may terminate its contract with a contractor that fails to maintain an accreditation status of at least one year, regardless of any appeal process available from CARF or the Council.			

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Health and Welfare – *The state, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent occurrences of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Individuals shall be afforded their basic human rights. The provider supports individuals to access needed healthcare services in a timely manner.*			
Tag #1A08.2 Healthcare Requirements	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS: A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past. B. **Documentation of test results:** Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment. **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION (DDSD): Director's Release: Consumer Record Requirements eff. 11/1/2012 III. Requirement Amendments(s) or Clarifications:** A. All case management, living supports, customized in-home supports, community integrated employment and customized community supports providers must maintain records for individuals served through DD Waiver in accordance with the Individual Case File Matrix incorporated in this director's release. H. Readily accessible electronic records are accessible, including those stored through the Therap web-based system.	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide documentation of annual physical examinations and/or other examinations as specified by a licensed physician for 1 of 7 individuals receiving Community Inclusion Services, Living Services and Other Services. Review of the administrative individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: ***Community Inclusion Services / Other Services Healthcare Requirements:*** • **Annual Physical Follow-up** ◦ Individual #3 - As indicated by the Annual Physical Examination Progress notes on 11/9/2015, a follow-up was scheduled for 12/21/2015 at 3:45 PM. No evidence of follow-up was found. • **Involuntary Movement Screening and/or Tardive Dyskinesia Screenings** ◦ None found 4/2015 - 12/2016 for Abilify and Depakote (#3)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements** **H. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Consumer Records Policy. **Chapter 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements:** **G. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements:** **E. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements:** **D. Consumer Records Policy:** All Family Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements:** **D. Consumer Records Policy:** All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual.			

Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements:** C. Documents to be maintained in the agency administrative office, include: (This is not an all-inclusive list refer to standard as it includes other items)… Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements: (5) A medical history, which shall include at least demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the developmental disability, psychiatric diagnoses, allergies (food, environmental, medications), immunizations, and most recent physical exam; **CHAPTER 6. VI. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY LIVING** **G. Health Care Requirements for Community Living Services**. (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. (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. (3) For each individual receiving Community Living Services, the provider agency shall ensure and document the following: (a) Provision of health care oversight consistent with these Standards as detailed in Chapter One section III E: Healthcare Documentation by Nurses For Community Living Services, Community Inclusion Services and Private Duty Nursing Services. b) That each individual with a score of 4, 5, or 6 on the HAT, has a Health Care Plan developed by a licensed nurse. (c) That an individual with chronic condition(s) with the potential to			

exacerbate into a life threatening condition, has Crisis Prevention/ Intervention Plan(s) developed by a licensed nurse or other appropriate professional for each such condition. (4) That an average of 3 hours of documented nutritional counseling is available annually, if recommended by the IDT. (5) That the physical property and grounds are free of hazards to the individual's health and safety. (6) In addition, for each individual receiving Supported Living or Family Living Services, the provider shall verify and document the following: (a) The individual has a primary licensed physician; (b) The individual receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as specified by a licensed physician; (c) The individual receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as specified by a licensed dentist; (d) The individual receives eye examinations as specified by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist; and (e) Agency activities that occur as follow-up to medical appointments (e.g. treatment, visits to specialists, changes in medication or daily routine).			

Tag # 1A03 CQI System	Standard Level Deficiency		
STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION PROVIDER AGREEMENT: ARTICLE 17. PROGRAM EVALUATIONS d. PROVIDER shall have a Quality Management and Improvement Plan in accordance with the current MF Waiver Standards and/or the DD Waiver Standards specified by the DEPARTMENT. The Quality Management and Improvement Plan for DD Waiver Providers must describe how the PROVIDER will determine that each waiver assurance and requirement is met**.** The applicable assurances and requirements are: (1) level of care determination; (2) service plan; (3) qualified providers; (4) health and welfare; (5) administrative authority; and, (6) financial accountability. For each waiver assurance, this description must include: i. Activities or processes related to discovery, i.e., monitoring and recording the findings. Descriptions of monitoring/oversight activities that occur at the individual and provider level of service delivery. These monitoring activities provide a foundation for Quality Management by generating information that can be aggregated and analyzed to measure the overall system performance; ii. The entities or individuals responsible for conducting the discovery/monitoring processes; iii. The types of information used to measure performance; and, iv. The frequency with which performance is measured. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013	Based on record review, the Agency did not implement their Continuous Quality Management System as required by standard. Review of the Agency's CQI Plan revealed the following: • The Agency's CQI Plan did not contain the following components: a. **Implementation of ISPs:** extent to which services are delivered in accordance with ISPs and associated support plans with WDSI including the type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the ISP as well as effectiveness of such implementation as indicated by achievement of outcomes; • Effectiveness and timeliness of implementation of ISPs, associated support plans, and WDSI, including trends in achievement of individual desired outcomes; ***(CCS)*** • Effectiveness and timeliness of implementation of ISPs, including trends in achievement of individual desired outcomes ***(SL)*** b. Analysis of General Events Reports data in Therap; c. Compliance with Employee Abuse Registry requirements; d. Compliance with DDSD training requirements;	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)***:** ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)***:** ↓	

CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements: J. Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Program: Agencies must develop and maintain an active QA/QI program in order to assure the provision of quality services. This includes the development of a QA/QI plan, data gathering and analysis, and routine meetings to analyze the results of QA/QI activities. 1. **Development of a QA/QI plan:** The quality management plan is used by an agency to continually determine whether the agency is performing within program requirements, achieving desired outcomes and identifying opportunities for improvement. The quality management plan describes the process the Provider Agency uses in each phase of the process: discovery, remediation and improvement. It describes the frequency, the source and types of information gathered, as well as the methods used to analyze and measure performance. The quality management plan should describe how the data collected will be used to improve the delivery of services and methods to evaluate whether implementation of improvements are working. 2. **Implementing a QA/QI Committee:** The QA/QI committee must convene on at least a quarterly basis and as needed to review service reports, to identify any deficiencies, trends, patterns or concerns as well as opportunities for quality improvement. The QA/QI meeting must be documented. The QA/QI review should address at least the following: a. **Implementation of ISPs:** extent to which services are delivered in accordance with ISPs and associated support plans with WDSI including the type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the ISP as well as effectiveness of such implementation as indicated by achievement of outcomes;	e. Patterns/Trends of reportable incidents; f. Results of improvement actions taken in previous quarters; g. Sufficiency of staff coverage; h. Results of General Events Reporting data analysis, Trends in category II significant events; ***(SL)*** i. Presence and completeness of required documentation; j. A description of how data collected as part of the agency's QA/QI Plan was used; what quality improvement initiatives were undertaken and what were the results of those efforts, including discovery and remediation of any service delivery deficiencies discovered through the QA/QI process; and ***(CCS, SL)*** k. Patterns / Trends in medication errors ***(SL)***		

3. The Provider Agency must complete a QA/QI report annually by February 15th of each calendar year or as otherwise requested by DOH. The report must be kept on file at the agency, made available for review by DOH and upon request from DDSD; the report must be submitted to the relevant DDSD Regional Offices. The report will summarize: a. Analysis of General Events Reports data in Therap; b. Compliance with Caregivers Criminal History Screening requirements; c. Compliance with Employee Abuse Registry requirements; d. Compliance with DDSD training requirements; e. Patterns of reportable incidents; f. Results of improvement actions taken in previous quarters; g. Sufficiency of staff coverage; h. Effectiveness and timeliness of implementation of ISPs, and associated support including trends in achievement of individual desired outcomes; i. Results of General Events Reporting data analysis; j. Action taken regarding individual grievances; k. Presence and completeness of required documentation; **l.** A description of how data collected as part of the agency's QA/QI Plan was used; what quality improvement initiatives were undertaken and what were the results of those efforts, including discovery and remediation of any service delivery deficiencies discovered through the QA/QI process; and **m.** Significant program changes. **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements: I. Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Program:** Agencies must develop and maintain an active QA/QI program in order to assure the provision of quality services. This includes the			

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NMAC 7.1.14.8 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROVIDERS: **F. Quality assurance/quality improvement program for community-based service providers:** The community-based service provider shall establish and implement a quality improvement program for reviewing alleged complaints and incidents of abuse, neglect, or exploitation against them as a provider after the division's investigation is complete. The incident management program shall include written documentation of corrective actions taken. The community-based service provider shall take all reasonable steps to prevent further incidents. The community-based service provider shall provide the following internal monitoring and facilitating quality improvement program: **(1)** community-based service providers shall have current abuse, neglect, and exploitation management policy and procedures in place that comply with the department's requirements; **(2)** community-based service providers providing intellectual and developmental disabilities services must have a designated incident management coordinator in place; and **(3)** community-based service providers providing intellectual and developmental disabilities services must have an incident management committee to identify any deficiencies, trends, patterns, or concerns as well as opportunities for quality improvement, address internal and external incident reports for the purpose of examining internal root causes, and to take action on identified issues.			

Tag # 1A07 Social Security Income (SSI) Payments	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:** The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards. C. Provider Agency Financial Records and Accounting: Each individual served will be presumed able to manage his or her own funds unless the ISP documents justified limitations or supports for self-management, and where appropriate, reflects a plan to increase this skill. All Provider Agencies shall maintain and enforce written policies and procedures regarding the use of the individual's SSI payments or other personal funds, including accounting for all spending by the Provider Agency, and outlining protocols for fulfilling the responsibilities as representative payee if the agency is so designated for an individual. **Code of Federal Regulations:** **§416.635 What are the responsibilities of your representative payee…** A representative payee has a responsibility to: (a) Use the benefits received on your behalf only for your use and benefit in a manner and for the purposes he or she determines under the guidelines in this subpart, to be in your best interests; (b) Keep any benefits received on your behalf separate from his or her own funds and show	Based on record review and interview, the Agency did not enforce written policies and procedures regarding the use of individuals' SSI payments or other personal funds. Review of the Agency's policies and procedures found it was not being implemented as written. The Agency's policy and procedure reads as follows: *Section 3100 Representative Payee Policy* *Representative Payee Guidelines of Links include but are not limited to the following:* *"(4) Receipts are kept for each check written, except for allowance given to each consumer each week, unless requested otherwise by the consumer, guardian or interdisciplinary team"* **When #274 was asked to provide evidence of procedures identified in the agency policy and procedures regarding the use of individuals' SSI payments or other personal funds, the following was reported:** Executive Director #274 stated, "The agency is currently under audit and may not have all the receipts in order for the month of December." While reviewing the agency Rep Payee system the agency could not provide a complete month of receipts for all checks written for clients they serve as rep payee, as required by their policy. DHI Surveyor requested to review the month of December 2015. Per the agency, since they were "under audit" they could not provide any other months as the documentation was at a	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

your ownership of these benefits unless he or she is your spouse or natural or adoptive parent or stepparent and lives in the same household with you or is a State or local government agency for whom we have granted an exception to this requirement; (c) Treat any interest earned on the benefits as your property; (d) Notify us of any event or change in your circumstances that will affect the amount of benefits you receive, your right to receive benefits, or how you receive them; (e) Submit to us, upon our request, a written report accounting for the benefits received on your behalf, and make all supporting records available for review if requested by us; (f) Notify us of any change in his or her circumstances that would affect performance of his/her payee responsibilities; and §416.640 Use of benefit payments. ***Current maintenance***. We will consider that payments we certify to a representative payee have been used for the use and benefit of the beneficiary if they are used for the beneficiary's current maintenance. Current maintenance includes costs incurred in obtaining food, shelter, clothing, medical care and personal comfort items. **§416.665 How does your representative payee account for the use of benefits…** Your representative payee must account for the use of your benefits. We require written reports from your representative payee at least once a year (except for certain State institutions that participate in a separate onsite review program). We may verify how your representative payee used your benefits. Your representative payee should keep records of how benefits were used in order to make accounting reports and must make those records available upon our request.	Certified Public Accountant's office that they contract with.		

Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS: A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS: (d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting medication administered to residents, **including over-the-counter medications.** This documentation shall include: (i) Name of resident; (ii) Date given; (iii) Drug product name; (iv) Dosage and form; (v) Strength of drug; (vi) Route of administration; (vii) How often medication is to be taken; (viii) Time taken and staff initials; (ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed; (x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications. **Model Custodial Procedure Manual** ***D. Administration of Drugs*** Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications. Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications. All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include: ➢ symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,	Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of December 2015 and January 2016. Based on record review, 5 of 6 individuals had Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors: Individual #1 December 2015 As indicated by the Medication Administration Records the individual is to take Propranolol 80 mg (3 times daily). According to the Physician's Orders, Propranolol 60 mg is to be taken 3 times daily. Medication Administration Record and Physician's Orders do not match. January 2016 As indicated by the Medication Administration Records the individual is to take Propranolol 80 mg (3 times daily). According to the Physician's Orders, Propranolol 60 mg is to be taken 3 times daily. Medication Administration Record and Physician's Orders do not match. Individual #2 December 2015 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Clonazepam .5 mg (3 times daily) – Blank 1/3, 7 (2 PM) Individual #4 December 2015	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

➢ exact dosage to be used, and ➢ the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 1. Scope of Service B. Self Employment 8.** Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; **C. Individual Community Integrated Employment 3.** Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; **D. Group Community Integrated Employment 4.** Providing assistance with medication delivery as outlined in the ISP; and **B. Community Integrated Employment Agency Staffing Requirements: o.** Comply with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures; **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 1. Scope of Services A. Individualized Customized Community Supports 19.** Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. **C. Small Group Customized Community Supports 19.** Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. **D. Group Customized Community Supports 19.** Providing assistance or supports with medications in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery policy. **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES A. Living Supports- Family Living Services:** The scope of Family Living Services includes, but is not limited to the following as identified by the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT):	Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Oysco 500 + D (2 times daily) – Blank 12/28 (8 PM). January 2016 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Omeprazole 20 mg (1 time daily) – Blank 1/10 (7:30 AM). Individual #5 December 2015 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Erythromycin, Benzoyl Gel 23.3 GM (2 times daily) – Blank 12/16 (8 PM) January 2016 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Erythromycin, Benzoyl Gel 23.3 GM (2 times daily) – Blank 1/5, 10 (8 PM) Individual #7 December 2016 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries: • Fluticasone 50 mcg (2 times daily) – Blank 12/26 (8 AM).		

19. Assisting in medication delivery, and related monitoring, in accordance with the DDSD's Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy regulations including skill development activities leading to the ability for individuals to self-administer medication as appropriate; and **I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living.** **3. B.** Adult Nursing Services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Lining Supports- Family Living direct support personnel if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. Adult Nursing services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Family Living Direct Support Personnel (including substitute care), if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. **6.** Support Living- Family Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the New Mexico Nurse Practice Act and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations. a. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations; b. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include: i.The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and			

diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed; ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration; iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery; iv. Explanation of any medication error; v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered. c. The Family Living Provider Agency must also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose; and d. Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications must be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and must include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications. e. Medication Oversight is optional if the individual resides with their biological family (by affinity or consanguinity). If Medication Oversight is not selected as an Ongoing Nursing Service, all elements of medication administration and oversight are the sole responsibility of the individual and their biological family. Therefore, a monthly medication administration record (MAR) is not required unless the family requests it			

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Tag # 1A09.1 Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS: **A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS:** (d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting medication administered to residents, **including over-the-counter medications.** This documentation shall include: (i) Name of resident; (ii) Date given; (iii) Drug product name; (iv) Dosage and form; (v) Strength of drug; (vi) Route of administration; (vii) How often medication is to be taken; (viii) Time taken and staff initials; (ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed; (x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications. **Model Custodial Procedure Manual** ***D. Administration of Drugs*** Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications. Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications. All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include: ➢ symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,	Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of December 2015 and January 2016. Based on record review, 2 of 6 individuals had PRN Medication Administration Records (MAR), which contained missing elements as required by standard: Individual #5 December 2015 No Time of Administration was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication: • Alprazolam .5 mg – PRN – 12/28 (given 1 time) Individual #7 December 2015 No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication: • Acetaminophen 500 mg – PRN – 12/26 (given 1 time) January 2016 No evidence of documented Signs/Symptoms were found for the following PRN medication: • Meloxicam 7.5 mg – PRN – 1/4, 10 (given 1 time) No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication: • Meloxicam 7.5 mg – PRN – 1/4, 10 (given 1 time)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

➢ exact dosage to be used, and ➢ the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period. **Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy - Eff. November 1, 2006** **F. PRN Medication** 3. Prior to self-administration, self-administration with physical assist or assisting with delivery of PRN medications, the direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN medication is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention. This does not apply to home based/family living settings where the provider is related by affinity or by consanguinity to the individual. 4. The agency nurse shall review the utilization of PRN medications routinely. Frequent or escalating use of PRN medications must be reported to the PCP and discussed by the Interdisciplinary for changes to the overall support plan (see Section H of this policy). **H. Agency Nurse Monitoring** 1. Regardless of the level of assistance with medication delivery that is required by the individual or the route through which the medication is delivered, the agency nurses			

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

a. Document conversation with nurse including all reported signs and symptoms, advice given and action taken by staff. 4. Document on the MAR each time a PRN medication is used and describe its effect on the individual (e.g., temperature down, vomiting lessened, anxiety increased, the condition is the same, improved, or worsened, etc.). Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 1 SCOPE OF SERVICES** **A. Living Supports- Family Living Services:** The scope of Family Living Services includes, but is not limited to the following as identified by the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT): **19.** Assisting in medication delivery, and related monitoring, in accordance with the DDSD's Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, New Mexico Nurse Practice Act, and Board of Pharmacy regulations including skill development activities leading to the ability for individuals to self-administer medication as appropriate; and **I. Healthcare Requirements for Family Living.** **3. B.** Adult Nursing Services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Lining Supports- Family Living direct support personnel if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. Adult Nursing services for medication oversight are required for all surrogate Family Living Direct Support Personnel (including substitute care), if the individual has regularly scheduled medication. **6.** Support Living- Family Living Provider Agencies must have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and			

tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the New Mexico Nurse Practice Act and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations. f. All twenty-four (24) hour residential home sites serving two (2) or more unrelated individuals must be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy, per current regulations; g. When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) must be maintained and include: i. The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, and diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed; ii. Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration; iii. Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication delivery; iv. Explanation of any medication error; v. Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and vi. For PRN medication, instructions for the use of the PRN medication must include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered. h. The Family Living Provider Agency must also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to			

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relevant Board of Nursing Rules, and Pharmacy Board standards and regulations. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:** The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards. **E. Medication Delivery:** Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations. (2) When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include: (a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;			

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Tag # 1A15.2 and IS09 / 5I09 Healthcare Documentation	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements H. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Consumer Records Policy. **Chapter 6 (CCS) 2. Service Requirements. E.** The agency nurse(s) for Customized Community Supports providers must provide the following services: 1. Implementation of pertinent PCP orders; ongoing oversight and monitoring of the individual's health status and medically related supports when receiving this service; **3. Agency Requirements: Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements: E. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements: D. Consumer Records Policy:** All Family Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain the required documentation in the Individual's Agency Record as required by standard for 1 of 7individuals served. Review of the administrative individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: • **Semi-Annual Nursing Review of HCP/Medical Emergency Response Plans:** ◦ None found for 2/2015 – 8/2015 (#3) *(Note: agency completes quarterly reports)* • **Health Care Plans** • *Body Mass Index* Individual #3 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found. • *Seizure* Individual #3 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found. • *Respiratory* Individual #3 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found. • **Medical Emergency Response Plans** • *Seizure* ◦ Individual #3 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool,	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **I. Health Care Requirements for Family Living: 5.** 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. 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. 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. 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. **d.** Other nursing assessments conducted to determine current health status or to evaluate a change in clinical condition must be	the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found. • *Respiratory* ◦ Individual #3 - According to Electronic Comprehensive Health Assessment Tool, the individual is required to have a plan. No evidence of a plan found.		

documented in a signed progress note that includes time and date as well as subjective 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. **e.** Develop any urgently needed interim Healthcare Plans or MERPs per DDSD policy pending authorization of ongoing Adult Nursing services as indicated by health status and individual/guardian choice. **Chapter 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements: D. Consumer Records Policy:** All Living Supports- Supported Living Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **2. Service Requirements. L. Training and Requirements. 5. Health Related Documentation:** For each individual receiving Living Supports- Supported Living, the provider agency must ensure and document the following: 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 DDSD Medical Emergency Response Plan Policy, that DSP have been trained to implement such plan(s), and ensure that a copy of such plan(s) are readily available to DSP in the home; b. That an average of five (5) hours of documented nutritional counseling is available annually, if recommended by the IDT and clinically indicated; 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 d. Document for each individual that: i. The individual has a Primary Care Provider (PCP); ii. The individual receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as specified by a PCP; iii. The individual receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as specified by a licensed dentist; iv. The individual receives a hearing test as specified by a licensed audiologist; v. The individual receives eye examinations as specified by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist; and			

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). 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. **f.** The Supported Living Provider Agency must ensure that activities conducted by agency nurses comply with the roles and responsibilities identified in these standards. **Chapter 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements:** C. Documents to be maintained in the agency administrative office, include: 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; F. Annual physical exams and annual dental exams (not applicable for short term stays); 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); H. Audiology/hearing exam as applicable (Not applicable for short term stays; See Medicaid policy 8.324.6 for applicable requirements);			

I. All other evaluations called for in the ISP for which the Services provider is responsible to arrange; J. Medical screening, tests and lab results (for short term stays, only those which occur during the period of the stay); L. Record of medical and dental appointments, including any treatment provided (for short term stays, only those appointments that occur during the stay); O. Semi-annual ISP progress reports and MERP reviews (not applicable for short term stays); P. Quarterly nursing summary reports (not applicable for short term stays); **NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:** A provider must maintain all the records necessary to fully disclose the nature, quality, amount and medical necessity of services furnished to an eligible recipient who is currently receiving or who has received services in the past. B. **Documentation of test results:** Results of tests and services must be documented, which includes results of laboratory and radiology procedures or progress following therapy or treatment. **Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Policy. Medical Emergency Response Plan Policy MERP-001 eff.8/1/2010** F. The MERP shall be written in clear, jargon free language and include at a minimum the following information:			

1. A brief, simple description of the condition or illness. 2. A brief description of the most likely life threatening complications that might occur and what those complications may look like to an observer. 3. A concise list of the most important 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). 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. 5. Emergency contacts with phone numbers. 6. Reference to whether the individual has advance directives or not, and if so, where the advance directives are located. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS: D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements…1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, **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 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.			

Tag # 1A33 Board of Pharmacy – Med. Storage	Standard Level Deficiency		
New Mexico Board of Pharmacy Model Custodial Drug Procedures Manual **E. Medication Storage:** 1. Prescription drugs will be stored in a locked cabinet and the key will be in the care of the administrator or designee. 2. Drugs to be taken by mouth will be separate from all other dosage forms. 3. A locked compartment will be available in the refrigerator for those items labeled "Keep in Refrigerator." The temperature will be kept in the 36°F - 46°F range. An accurate thermometer will be kept in the refrigerator to verify temperature. 4. Separate compartments are required for each resident's medication. 5. All medication will be stored according to their individual requirement or in the absence of temperature and humidity requirements, controlled room temperature (68-77°F) and protected from light. Storage requirements are in effect 24 hours a day. 6. Medication no longer in use, unwanted, outdated, or adulterated will be placed in a quarantine area in the locked medication cabinet and held for destruction by the consultant pharmacist. **8. References** A. Adequate drug references shall be available for facility staff **H. Controlled Substances (Perpetual Count Requirement)** 1. Separate accountability or proof-of-use sheets shall be maintained, for each controlled substance, indicating the following information: a. date b. time administered	Based on record review and observation, the Agency did not to ensure proper storage of medication for 1 of 6 individuals. Observation included: Individual #4 Robitussin: expired 10/2015. Expired medication was not kept separate from other medications as required by Board of Pharmacy Procedures. Ativan 1 mg: expired 12/26/2015. Expired medication was not kept separate from other medications as required by Board of Pharmacy Procedures. Aspirin 81 mg: expired 4/2009. Expired medication was not kept separate from other medications as required by Board of Pharmacy Procedures.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

c. name of patient d. dose e. practitioner's name f. signature of person administering or assisting with the administration the dose g. balance of controlled substance remaining.			

Tag # 1A33.1 Board of Pharmacy - License	Standard Level Deficiency		
New Mexico Board of Pharmacy Model Custodial Drug Procedures Manual **6. Display of License and Inspection Reports** A. The following are required to be publicly displayed: ☐ Current Custodial Drug Permit from the NM Board of Pharmacy ☐ Current registration from the consultant pharmacist ☐ Current NM Board of Pharmacy Inspection Report	Based on observation, the Agency did not provide the current Custodial Drug Permit from the New Mexico Board of Pharmacy, the current registration from the Consultant Pharmacist, or the current New Mexico Board of Pharmacy Inspection Report for 1 of 5 residences: Individual Residence: • Current Custodial Drug Permit from the NM Board of Pharmacy (#2)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

Tag # LS25 / 6L25 Residential Health and Safety (SL/FL)	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) Living Supports – Family Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports- Family Living Services:** 1.Family Living Services providers must assure that each individual's residence is maintained to be clean, safe and comfortable and accommodates the individuals' daily living, social and leisure activities. In addition the residence must: j. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water and telephone; k. 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; l. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system; m. Have a general-purpose first aid kit; n. Allow at a maximum of two (2) individuals to share, with mutual consent, a bedroom and each individual has the right to have his or her own bed; o. Have accessible written documentation of actual evacuation drills occurring at least three (3) times a year;	Based on observation, the Agency did not ensure that each individuals' residence met all requirements within the standard for 5 of 5 Supported Living residences. Review of the residential records and observation of the residence revealed the following items were not found, not functioning or incomplete: **Supported Living Requirements:** • Water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110^0 F) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 115.3^0 F (#2) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 123^0 F (#4,5) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 123.3^0 F (#7) • General-purpose first aid kit (#1, 4, 5) • Accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Administration training or each individual's ISP (#1, 2, 6) • Accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures shall	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

p. 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 q. Have accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures must address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) Living Supports – Supported Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports- Supported Living Services:** 1. Supported Living Provider Agencies must assure that each individual's residence is maintained to be clean, safe, and comfortable and accommodates the individual's daily living, social, and leisure activities. In addition the residence must: f. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water, and telephone; g. Provide environmental accommodations and assistive technology devices in the residence including modifications to the bathroom (i.e., shower chairs, grab bars, walk in shower, raised toilets, etc.) based on the unique needs of the individual in consultation with the IDT; h. Ensure water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110^0 F) ;	address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding (#4, 5) *Note: The following Individuals share a residence:* ➢ #4, 5		

i. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system; j. Have a general-purpose First Aid kit; k. Allow at a maximum of two (2) individuals to share, with mutual consent, a bedroom and each individual has the right to have his or her own bed; l. Have accessible written documentation of actual evacuation drills occurring at least three (3) times a year. For Supported Living evacuation drills must occur at least once a year during each shift; m. Have accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Delivery training or each individual's ISP; and n. Have accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures must address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding. **CHAPTER 13 (IMLS) 2. Service Requirements R. Staff Qualifications: 3. Supervisor Qualifications And Requirements:** S Each residence shall include operable safety equipment, including but not limited to, an operable smoke detector or sprinkler system,			

a carbon monoxide detector if any natural gas appliance or heating is used, fire extinguisher, general purpose first aid kit, written procedures for emergency evacuation due to fire or other emergency and documentation of evacuation drills occurring at least annually during each shift, phone number for poison control within line of site of the telephone, basic utilities, general household appliances, kitchen and dining utensils, adequate food and drink for three meals per day, proper food storage, and cleaning supplies. T Each residence shall have a blood borne pathogens kit as applicable to the residents' health status, personal protection equipment, and any ordered or required medical supplies shall also be available in the home. U If not medically contraindicated, and with mutual consent, up to two (2) individuals may share a single bedroom. Each individual shall have their own bed. All bedrooms shall have doors that may be closed for privacy. Individuals have the right to decorate their bedroom in a style of their choosing consistent with safe and sanitary living conditions. V For residences with more than two (2) 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.			

Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS** **L. Residence Requirements for Family Living Services and Supported Living Services**			

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Date Due
Service Domain: Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement – *State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver.*			
Tag # IS30 **Customized Community Supports Reimbursement**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013 **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 4. REIMBURSEMENT A. Required Records:** 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. 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: a. Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval; b. A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and c. The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service. B. **Billable Unit:**	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Customized Community Supports for 5 of 7 individuals. Individual #1 October 2005 • The Agency billed 40 units of Customized Community Supports (Individual) (H2021 HB U1) from 10/01/2015 through 10/02/2015. Documentation received accounted for 39 units. Individual #3 October 2015 • The Agency billed 84 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 10/25/2015 through 10/31/2015. Documentation received accounted for 60 units. November 2015 • The Agency billed 84 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 11/1/2015 through 11/07/2015. Documentation received accounted for 73 units. Individual #4 October 2015	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: ↓ **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: ↓	

1. The billable unit for Individual Customized Community Supports is a fifteen (15) minute unit. 2. The billable unit for Community Inclusion Aide is a fifteen (15) minute unit. 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. 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. 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). 6. The billable unit for Fiscal Management for Adult Education is dollars charged for each class including a 10% administrative processing fee. C. **Billable Activities:** 1. All DSP activities that are: a. Provided face to face with the individual; b. Described in the individual's approved ISP;	• The Agency billed 120 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 10/19/2015 through 10/23/2015. Documentation received accounted for 99 units. Individual #6 September 2015 • The Agency billed 86 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 9/8/2015 through 9/11/2015. Documentation received accounted for 84 units. Individual #7 September 2015 • The Agency billed 24 units of Customized Community Supports (H2021 HB U1) from 9/7/2015 through 9/11/2015. No documentation was found to justify the 24 units billed. October 2015 • The Agency billed 120 units of Customized Community Supports (Individual) (H2021 HB U1) on 10/19/2015. Documentation received accounted for 24 units.		

c. Provided in accordance with the Scope of Services; and d. Activities included in billable services, activities or situations. 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. 3. Customized Community Supports can be included in ISP and budget with any other services. **MAD-MR: 03-59 Eff 1/1/2004** **8.314.1 BI RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:** 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.			

Date: May 11, 2016

To: Chandra Baker, Executive Director
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Region: Southwest
Survey Date: January 11 - 13, 2016
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: ***2012:*** *Living Supports* (Supported Living); *Inclusion Supports* (Customized Community Supports) and *Other* (Customized In-Home Supports)

Survey Type: Routine

Dear Ms. Baker;

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

The Plan of Correction process is now complete.

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Amanda Castañeda

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