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Date: December 28, 2016

To: Connie Kalter, CEO Director
Provider: New Pathways
Address: 11024 Montgomery NE #343
State/Zip: Albuquerque, New Mexico 87111

E-mail Address: conniekalter@newpathwaysnm.com

Region: Metro and Northeast
Survey Date: October 14 - 20, 2016
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: ***2012:*** *Living Supports* (Supported Living, Family Living); *Inclusion Supports* (Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment Services) and *Other* (Customized In-Home Supports)

2007: *Community Living* (Supported Living) and *Community Inclusion* (Adult Habilitation)

Survey Type: Routine

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

Team Members: Corrina Strain, BSN, RN, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Tricia Hart, AAS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Anthony Fragua, BFA, Health Program Manager, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Jason Cornwell, MA, MFA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau and Kandis Gomez, AA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Mrs. Kalter;

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 # 1A20 Direct Support Personnel Training
- Tag # 1A25 Criminal Caregiver History Screening

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Barbara Kane, BAS

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

Survey Process Employed:

Administrative Review Start Date:	October 14, 2016	
Contact:	**Agency Name** Connie Kalter, CEO/ Director **DOH/DHI/QMB** Barbara Kane, BAS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor	
Entrance Conference Date:	October 17, 2016	
Present:	**New Pathways, Inc.** Connie Kalter, CEO/Director Melissa Escarcida, Assistant Director/Incident Coordinator Nathan Carpio, Service Coordinator Margo Ganter, LPN **DOH/DHI/QMB** Barbara Kane, BAS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor Corrina Strain, BSN, RN, Healthcare Surveyor Tricia Hart, AAS, Healthcare Surveyor	
Exit Conference Date:	October 20, 2016	
Present:	**New Pathways, Inc.** Connie Kalter, CEO/Director Melissa Escarcida, Assistant Director/Incident Coordinator Nathan Carpio, Service Coordinator Margo Ganter, LPN **DOH/DHI/QMB** Barbara Kane, BAS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor Corrina Strain, BSN, RN, Healthcare Surveyor Jason Cornwell, MA, MFA, Healthcare Surveyor Kandis Gomez, AA, Healthcare Surveyor	
Administrative Locations Visited	Number:	1
Total Sample Size	Number:	13 1 - *Jackson* Class Members 12 - Non-*Jackson* Class Members 6 - Supported Living 6 - Family Living 1 - Adult Habilitation 6 - Customized Community Supports 1 - Customized In-Home Supports
Total Homes Visited	Number:	9
❖ Supported Living Homes Visited	Number:	5

		Note: The following Individuals share a SL residence: ➢ #6, 10
❖ Family Living Homes Visited	Number:	4 (1 Individual was out of town; 1 Individual and family were home sick with the flu so their residential visit was waved.)
Persons Served Records Reviewed	Number:	13
Persons Served Interviewed	Number:	11
Persons Served Not Seen and/or Not Available	Number:	2 (Two Individuals were not available during the on-site survey)
Direct Support Personnel Interviewed	Number:	12
Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed	Number:	43
Substitute Care/Respite Personnel Records Reviewed	Number:	18
Service Coordinator Records Reviewed	Number:	1
Administrative Interviews	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 the following Service Domains.

Case Management Services *(Four Service Domains)*:

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

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

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

Conditions of Participation (CoPs)

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

QMB surveyors use professional judgment when reviewing the critical elements of each standard and regulation to determine when non-compliance with a standard level deficiency rises to the level of a CoP out of compliance. Only some deficiencies can rise to the level of a CoP (See the next section for a list of CoPs). The QMB survey team analyzes the relevant finding in terms of scope, actual harm or potential for harm, unique situations, patterns of performance, and other factors to determine if there is the potential for a negative outcome which would rise to the level of a CoP. A Standard level deficiency becomes a CoP out of compliance when the team's analysis establishes that there is an identified potential for

significant harm or actual harm. It is then cited as a CoP out of compliance. If the deficiency does not rise to the level of a CoP out of compliance, it is cited as a Standard Level Deficiency.

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

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

Service Domain: Plan of Care ISP Development & Monitoring

Condition of Participation:

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

Condition of Participation:

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

Service Domain: Level of Care

Condition of Participation:

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

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

Service Domain: Qualified Providers

Condition of Participation:

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

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

Service Domain: Service Plan: ISP Implementation

Condition of Participation:

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

Service Domain: Health, Welfare and Safety

Condition of Participation:

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

Condition of Participation:

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

QMB Determinations of Compliance

Compliance with Conditions of Participation

The QMB determination of *Compliance with Conditions of Participation* indicates that a provider is in compliance with all Conditions of Participation, (CoP). The agency has obtained a level of compliance such that there is a minimal potential for harm to individuals' health and safety. To qualify for a determination of Compliance with Conditions of Participation, the provider must be in compliance with all Conditions of Participation 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 and/or 6 or more Condition of Participation level deficiencies overall, as well as widespread Standard level deficiencies identified in the attached QMB Report of Findings and requires implementation of a Plan of Correction.

This non-compliance, if not corrected, may result in a serious negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals' health and safety. The agency may also have Standard level deficiencies (deficiencies which are not at the condition level) in any of the Service Domains

Providers receiving a 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: **New Pathways, Inc. – Metro and Northeast Regions**
Program: Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service: ***2012:*** *Living Supports* (Supported Living, Family Living); *Inclusion Supports* (Customized Community Supports and *Other* (Customized In-Home Supports)
2007: *Community Living* (Supported Living) and *Community Inclusion* (Adult Habilitation)
Monitoring Type: Routine Survey
Survey Date: **October 14 – 20, 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 (*Modified by IRF)***	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **Chapter 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements** **J. Consumer Records Policy:** Community Integrated Employment Provider Agencies must maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **Chapter 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements:** **G. Consumer Records Policy:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Provider agency case files for individuals are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. Additional documentation that is required to be maintained at the administrative office includes: 1. Vocational Assessments (if applicable) that are of quality and contain content acceptable to DVR and DDSD.	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file at the administrative office for 6 of 13 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: • **ISP budget forms MAD 046** ◦ Not Complete (#2) • **Current Emergency and Personal Identification Information** ◦ Did not contain names and phone numbers of relatives (#5) ◦ Did not contain Physicians name and phone number (#3) *Note: #3 Current Emergency and Personal Identification Information citation removed by IRF 3/2017* ◦ Did not contain Health Care Information (#9) *Note: #9 Current Emergency and Personal Identification Information citation removed by*	**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 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	*IRF 3/2017* • Annual ISP (#3) *Note: #3 Annual ISP removed by IRF 3/2017* • Individual Specific Training Section of ISP (formerly Addendum B) (#3) *Note: #3 Individual Specific Training Section of ISP removed by IRF 3/2017* • ISP Signature Page (#2,10,11) • **ISP Teaching and Support Strategies** ◦ *Individual #1 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Live Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will complete her ROM exercises-optimally before bathing." ➢ "…will use the IPAD, magazines, cell phone, etc. as visual motivators to do her ROM exercises." ➢ "…will, with staff assistance log when she does her ROM exercise by placing a sticker on the log to indicate she did her ROM exercises." ◦ Work/ Education/ Volunteer Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will, with assistance provide input for the monthly outing calendar." ➢ "…will be offered choices of daily outings." ➢ "…will go on outings." ➢ "…will collect the memorabilia and place the memorabilia of the places/outings she likes in a box."		

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. **NMAC 8.302.1.17 RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:** A provider must maintain all the records necessary	◦ Fun/Relationship Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will choose which music event she wants to attend." ➢ "…will, with assistance research the events she wants to attend." ◦ *Individual #5 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Live Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will prepare and pack for lunch." ◦ Work/ Education/ Volunteer Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will choose and invite friends to participate in an activity of his choice." ◦ Fun/Relationship Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will research and plan his trip." ➢ "…will visit the chosen historical site." ◦ *Individual #10 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Work/Education/Volunteer Outcome Statement: ➢ "…will take pictures or collect memorabilia while out with dayhab."		

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; 6/15/2015 **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 4 of 13 Individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found: **Supported Living Progress Notes/Daily Contact Logs** • Individual #1 - None found for 9/7 – 27, 2016. • Individual #2 - None found for 9/10/2016. • Individual #5 - None found for 9/1 – 2, 2016. • Individual #6 - None found for 7/6, 22, 2016; 8/13, 26, 27, 2016; 9/2, 23, 24, 2016.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

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 *(Upheld by IRF)*	Standard 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. D. The intent is to provide choice and obtain opportunities for individuals to live, work and play with full participation in their communities.	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 outcome and action plan for 2 of 13 individuals. As indicated by Individual's ISP the following was found with regards to the implementation of ISP Outcomes: **Administrative Files Reviewed:** **Family Living Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:** Individual # 11 • According to the Live Outcome; Action Step for "…will choose and prepare one healthy snack" is to be completed 2 times per week, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 8/2016 - 9/2016. • According to the Fun Outcome; Action Step for "…will walk for 30 minutes" is to be completed 2 times per week, evidence found indicated it was not being completed at the required frequency as indicated in the ISP for 8/2016 - 9/2016. **Adult Habilitation Data Collection/Data Tracking/Progress with regards to ISP Outcomes:** Individual #1 • None found regarding: Work/learn Outcome/Action Step: "…will, with	**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?)*: →	

The following principles provide direction and purpose in planning for individuals with developmental disabilities. [05/03/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01]	assistance provide input for the monthly outing calendar" for 7/2016 - 9/2016. Action step is to be completed monthly. • None found regarding: Work/learn Outcome/Action Step: "…will be offered choices of daily outings" for 7/2016 - 8/2016. Action step is to be completed weekly. • None found regarding: Work/learn Outcome/Action Step: "…will go on outings" for 7/2016 - 8/2016. Action step is to be completed weekly. • None found regarding: Live, Work/learn, Fun Outcome/Action Step: "…will collect and place memorabilia of the places/outings she likes in a box" for 7/2016 - 9/2016. Action step is to be completed weekly. • None found regarding: Fun Outcome/Action Step: "…will choose which music event she wants to attend" for 7/2016 - 9/2016. Action step is to be completed monthly.		

Tag # IS11 / 5I11 Reporting Requirements Inclusion Reports *(Modified by IRF)*	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; 6/15/2015 **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 IDT meeting unless changes requiring team	Based on record review, the Agency did not complete written status reports as required for 6 of 7 individuals receiving Inclusion Services. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, and/or incomplete: **Customized Community Supports Semi-Annual Reports** • Individual #2 - None found for July 2015 – April 2016. *(Term of ISP 7/24/2015 - 7/23/2016) (ISP meeting held 5/3/2016).* • Individual #5 - None found for March 2016 – July 2016. *(Term of ISP 9/14/2015- 9/13/2016) (ISP meeting held 7/13/2016).* • Individual #6 - None found for September 2015 – December 2015 and March 2016 – September 2016. *(Term of ISP 3/28/2015 – 3/27/2016 and 3/28/2016 – 3/27/2017) (ISP meeting held 12/03/2015).* • Individual #7 - None found for May 2015 – March 2016. *(Term of ISP 5/1/2015 – 4/30/2016) (ISP meeting held 3/31/2016).* *Note: #7 CCS Semi-Annual Report removed by IRF 3/2017.* • Individual #10 - None found for March 2016 – August 2016. *(Term of ISP 3/1/2016- 2/28/2017) (ISP meeting held 12/11/2015).* **Adult Habilitation Quarterly Reports** • Individual #1 - None found for May 2016 - August 2016. *(Term of ISP 5/16/2016- 5/14/2017) (ISP meeting held 2/23/2016).*	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

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 *(Modified by IRF)*	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements** **C. Residence Case File:** The Agency must maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. Residence case files are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 3. Agency Requirements** **C. Residence Case File:** The Agency must maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. Residence case files are required to comply with the DDSD Individual Case File Matrix policy. **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; h. Record of medical and dental appointments for the current year, or during the period of stay for short term stays, including any treatment	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete and confidential case file in the residence for 8 of 12 Individuals receiving Family Living Services and Supported Living Services. Review of the residential individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current: • **ISP Teaching and Support Strategies** ◦ *Individual #5 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Live Outcome Statement ➢ "…will prepare and pack his lunch." ◦ *Individual #7 - TSS not found for the following Action Steps:* ◦ Live Outcome Statement ➢ "…will make a list of activities he would like to do more often." • Positive Behavioral Plan (#3) • Behavior Crisis Intervention Plan (#11) • Occupational Therapy Plan (#3, 6,11) • **Health Care Plans** ◦ Body Mass Index (#13) ◦ Bowel and Bladder (#13) ◦ Falls (#13) ◦ Respiratory (#13) ◦ Seizures (#13) ◦ Skin and Wound (#13) • **Progress Notes/Daily Contacts Logs:** ◦ Individual #10 - None found for 10/1 – 16, 2016.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

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 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;	◦ Individual #12 - None found for 10/16 – 18, 2016. *Note: #12 Progress Notes/Daily Contact Logs removed by IRF 3/2017.*		

(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 practitioner's 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) *(Upheld by IRF)*	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; 6/15/2015 **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 must contain the following written	Based on record review, the Agency did not complete written status reports for 3 of 12 individuals receiving Living Services. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, and/or incomplete: **Supported Living Quarterly Reports:** • Individual #1 - None found for May 2016 – August 2016. *(Term of ISP 5/15/2016 - 5/14/2017).* **Supported Living Semi-Annual Reports:** • Individual #2 - None found for July 2015 – April 2016. *(Term of ISP 7/24/2015 - 7/23/2016) (ISP meeting held 5/3/2016).* • Individual #6 - None found for March 2016 – September 2016. *(Term of ISP 3/28/2016 – 3/27/2017).*	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

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 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 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 # 1A11.1 **Transportation Training**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy **Eff. Date:** March 1, 2007 **II. POLICY STATEMENTS:** I. Staff providing direct services shall complete safety training within the first thirty (30) days of employment and before working alone with an individual receiving services. The training shall address at least the following: 1. Operating a fire extinguisher 2. Proper lifting procedures 3. General vehicle safety precautions (e.g., pre-trip inspection, removing keys from the ignition when not in the driver's seat) 4. Assisting passengers with cognitive and/or physical impairments (e.g., general guidelines for supporting individuals who may be unaware of safety issues involving traffic or those who require physical assistance to enter/exit a vehicle) 5. Operating wheelchair lifts (if applicable to the staff's role) 6. Wheelchair tie-down procedures (if applicable to the staff's role) 7. Emergency and evacuation procedures (e.g., roadside emergency, fire emergency) **NMAC 7.9.2 F. TRANSPORTATION:** **(1)** Any employee or agent of a regulated facility or agency who is responsible for assisting a resident in boarding or alighting from a motor	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide and/or have documentation for staff training regarding the safe operation of the vehicle, assisting passengers and safe lifting procedures for 1 of 43 Direct Support Personnel. **No documented evidence was found of the following required training:** • Transportation (DSP #220)	**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?)***:** →	

vehicle must complete a state-approved training program in passenger transportation assistance before assisting any resident. The passenger transportation assistance program shall be comprised of but not limited to the following elements: resident assessment, emergency procedures, supervised practice in the safe operation of equipment, familiarity with state regulations governing the transportation of persons with disabilities, and a method for determining and documenting successful completion of the course. The course requirements above are examples and may be modified as needed. **(2)** Any employee or agent of a regulated facility or agency who drives a motor vehicle provided by the facility or agency for use in the transportation of clients must complete: **(a)** A state approved training program in passenger assistance and (**b)** A state approved training program in the operation of a motor vehicle to transport clients of a regulated facility or agency. The motor vehicle transportation assistance program shall be comprised of but not limited to the following elements: resident assessment, emergency procedures, supervised practice in the safe operation of motor vehicles, familiarity with state regulations governing the transportation of persons with disabilities, maintenance and safety record keeping, training on hazardous driving conditions and a method for determining and documenting successful completion of the course. The course requirements above are examples and may be modified as needed. **(c)** A valid New Mexico driver's license for the type of vehicle being operated consistent with State of New Mexico requirements. **(3)** Each regulated facility and agency shall establish and enforce written polices (including training) and procedures for employees who provide assistance to clients with boarding or			

alighting from motor vehicles. **(4)** Each regulated facility and agency shall establish and enforce written polices (including training and procedures for employees who operate motor vehicles to transport clients. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **CHAPTER 5 (CIES) 3. Agency Requirements G. Training Requirements: 1.** All Community Inclusion Providers must provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy. **CHAPTER 6 (CCS) 3. Agency Requirements F. Meet all training requirements as follows: 1.** All Customized Community Supports Providers shall provide staff training in accordance with the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy; **CHAPTER 7 (CIHS) 3. Agency Requirements C. Training Requirements:** The Provider Agency must report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in the DDSD Policy T-001: Reporting and Documentation of DDSD Training Requirements Policy. The Provider Agency must ensure that the personnel support staff have completed training as specified in the DDSD Policy T-003: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy **CHAPTER 11 (FL) 3. Agency Requirements B. Living Supports- Family Living Services Provider Agency Staffing Requirements: 3. Training:** A. All Family Living Provider agencies must ensure staff training in accordance with the			

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Tag # 1A20 Direct Support Personnel Training *(Upheld by IRF)*	Condition of Participation 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. 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.	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Orientation and Training requirements were met for 21 of 43 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 #204, 231) • Foundation for Health and Wellness (DSP #204, 231) • Person-Centered Planning (1-Day) (DSP #204, 231) • Assisting with Medication Delivery (DSP #202, 203, 205, 208, 209, 215, 217, 218, 223, 225, 228, 236, 238) • First Aid (DSP #214, 216, 219, 227, 234, 236, 237) • CPR (DSP #214, 216, 219, 227, 234, 236, 237)	**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?)*: →	

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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 # 1A25 **Criminal Caregiver History Screening**	**Condition of Participation Level Deficiency**		
NMAC 7.1.9.8 CAREGIVER AND HOSPITAL CAREGIVER EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS: **F. Timely Submission:** Care providers shall submit all fees and pertinent application information for all individuals who meet the definition of an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver as described in Subsections B, D and K of 7.1.9.7 NMAC, no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the first day of employment or effective date of a contractual relationship with the care provider. **NMAC 7.1.9.9 CAREGIVERS OR HOSPITAL CAREGIVERS AND APPLICANTS WITH DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS:** **A. Prohibition on Employment:** A care provider shall not hire or continue the employment or contractual services of any applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver for whom the care provider has received notice of a disqualifying conviction, except as provided in Subsection B of this section. **(1)** In cases where the criminal history record lists an arrest for a crime that would constitute a disqualifying conviction and no final disposition is listed for the arrest, the department will attempt to notify the applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver and request information from the applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver within timelines set forth in the department's notice regarding the final disposition of the arrest. Information requested by the department may be evidence, for example, a certified copy of an acquittal, dismissal or conviction of a lesser included crime. **(2)** An applicant's, caregiver's or hospital caregiver's failure to respond within the required timelines regarding the final disposition of the	After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur. Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation indicating no "disqualifying convictions" or documentation of the timely submission of pertinent application information to the Caregiver Criminal History Screening Program was on file for 2 of 62 Agency Personnel. **The following Agency Personnel Files contained evidence of Caregiver Criminal History Screenings surpassed the 20 calendar days from the first day of employment:** **Direct Support Personnel (DSP):** • #227– Date of hire 3/1/2016, completed 7/22/2016. • #220– Date of hire 1/6/2016, completed 3/17/2016. *(Note: The agency received a Letter of Disqualification for DSP #227 from CCHSP on 4/08/2016. Per the letter, the staff member was to be terminated immediately but if continued employment was desired, an affidavit of termination was to be provided to CCHSP and a new application process could be started for the employee. There is no evidence this process was followed. DSP #227 did not resubmit fingerprints for clearance or receive a valid CCHSP clearance letter until 7/2016.)*	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)***:** → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)***:** →	

arrest for a crime that would constitute a disqualifying conviction shall result in the applicant's, caregiver's or hospital caregiver's temporary disqualification from employment as a caregiver or hospital caregiver pending written documentation submitted to the department evidencing the final disposition of the arrest. Information submitted to the department may be evidence, for example, of the certified copy of an acquittal, dismissal or conviction of a lesser included crime. In instances where the applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver has failed to respond within the required timelines the department shall provide notice by certified mail that an employment clearance has not been granted. The Care Provider shall then follow the procedure of Subsection A., of Section 7.1.9.9. **(3)** The department will not make a final determination for an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver with a pending potentially disqualifying conviction for which no final disposition has been made. In instances of a pending potentially disqualifying conviction for which no final disposition has been made, the department shall notify the care provider, applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver by certified mail that an employment clearance has not been granted. The Care Provider shall then follow the procedure of Subsection A, of Section 7.1.9.9. **B. Employment Pending Reconsideration Determination:** At the discretion of the care provider, an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver whose nationwide criminal history record reflects a disqualifying conviction and who has requested administrative reconsideration may continue conditional supervised employment pending a determination on reconsideration. **NMAC 7.1.9.11 DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS.** The following felony			

convictions disqualify an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver from employment or contractual services with a care provider: **A.** homicide; **B.** trafficking, or trafficking in controlled substances; **C.** kidnapping, false imprisonment, aggravated assault or aggravated battery; **D.** rape, criminal sexual penetration, criminal sexual contact, incest, indecent exposure, or other related felony sexual offenses; **E.** crimes involving adult abuse, neglect or financial exploitation; **F.** crimes involving child abuse or neglect; **G.** crimes involving robbery, larceny, extortion, burglary, fraud, forgery, embezzlement, credit card fraud, or receiving stolen property; or **H**. an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy involving any of the felonies in this subsection.			

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 an inquiry to the registry concerning that	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 62 Agency Personnel. **The following Agency Personnel records contained evidence that indicated the Employee Abuse Registry check was completed after hire:** **Direct Support Personnel (DSP):** • #227– Date of hire 3/1/2016, completed 3/13/2016. • #220– Date of hire 1/6/2016, completed 3/16/2016.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

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. **C. Incident management system training**	Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure Incident Management Training for 10 of 44 Agency Personnel. **Direct Support Personnel (DSP):** • Incident Management Training (Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation) (DSP #203, 207, 208, 211, 213, 217, 219, 229, 233, 236)	**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?)*: →	

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

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

Tag # 1A43 General Events Reporting	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Department of Health (DOH) Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Policy: General Events Reporting Effective 1/1/2012 **1. Purpose** To report, track and analyze significant events experiences by adult participants of the DD Waiver program, which do not meet criteria for abuse, neglect or exploitation, or other "reportable incident" as defined by the Incident Management Bureau of the Division of Health Improvement, Department of Health, but which pose a risk to individuals served. Analysis of reported significant events is intended to identify emerging patterns so that preventative actions can be identified at the individual, provider agency, regional and statewide levels. **II. Policy Statements** A. Designated employees of each agency will enter specified information into the General Events Reporting section of the secure website operated under contract by Therap Services within 2 business days of the occurrence or knowledge by the reporting agency of any of the following defined events in which DDSD requires reporting: Chocking, Missing Person, Suicide Attempt or Threat, Restraint related to Behavior, Serious Injury including Skin Breakdown, Fall (with or without injury), Out of Home Placement and Infections…Providers shall utilize the "Significant Events Reporting System Guide" to assure that events are reported correctly for DDSD tracking purposes. At providers'	Based on record review, the Agency did not follow the General Events Reporting requirements as indicated by the policy for 2 of 13 individuals. **The following General Events Reporting records contained evidence that indicated the General Events Report was not entered and approved within 2 business days:** Individual #2 • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 7/26/2016 the Individual was taken to Urgent Care for an unknown bump. GER was entered on 9/1/2016. Individual #6 • General Events Report (GER) indicates on 8/10 – 12, 2016 medication errors occurred. GER was entered on 9/1/2016.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

discretion additional events may be tracked within the Therap General Events Reporting which are not required by DDSD such as medication errors. B. General Events Reporting does not replace agency obligations to report abuse, neglect, exploitation and other reportable incidents in compliance with policies and procedures issued by the Department's Incident Management Bureau of the Division of Health Improvement.			

Standard of Care	**Deficiencies**	**Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI 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 2 of 13 individuals receiving Community Inclusion, 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 Living Services / Community Inclusion Services (Individuals Receiving Multiple Services):*** • ***Vision Exam*** ◦ Individual #9 - As indicated by the DDSD file matrix Vision Exams are to be conducted every other year. No evidence of exam was found. • ***Psychological Assessment*** ◦ Individual #5 - As indicated by collateral documentation reviewed, Psychological Assessment was completed on 6/2/2016. Follow-up was to be completed in 3 months. No evidence of follow-up found.	**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; 6/15/2015 **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 # 1A28.2 **Incident Mgt. System - Parent/Guardian Training**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
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. **E. Consumer and guardian orientation packet:** Consumers, family members, and legal guardians shall be made aware of and have available immediate access to the community-based service provider incident reporting processes. The community-based service provider shall provide consumers, family members, or legal guardians an orientation packet to include incident management systems policies and procedural information concerning the reporting of abuse, neglect, exploitation, suspicious injury, or death. The community-based service provider shall include a signed statement indicating the date, time, and place they received their orientation packet to be contained in the consumer's file. The appropriate consumer, family member, or legal guardian shall sign this at the time of orientation.	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide documentation indicating consumer, family members, or legal guardians had received an orientation packet including incident management system policies and procedural information concerning the reporting of Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation, for 2 of 13 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found and/or incomplete: • Parent/Guardian Incident Management Training (Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation) (#2, 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?)*: →	

Tag # 1A29 **Complaints / Grievances Acknowledgement**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
NMAC 7.26.3.6 A These regulations set out rights that the department expects all providers of services to individuals with developmental disabilities to respect. These regulations are intended to complement the department's Client Complaint Procedures (7 NMAC 26.4) [now 7.26.4 NMAC]. **NMAC 7.26.3.13 Client Complaint Procedure Available.** A complainant may initiate a complaint as provided in the client complaint procedure to resolve complaints alleging that a service provider has violated a client's rights as described in Section 10 [now 7.26.3.10 NMAC]. The department will enforce remedies for substantiated complaints of violation of a client's rights as provided in client complaint procedure. [09/12/94; 01/15/97; Recompiled 10/31/01] **NMAC 7.26.4.13 Complaint Process:** **A. (2).** The service provider's complaint or grievance procedure shall provide, at a minimum, that: **(a)** the client is notified of the service provider's complaint or grievance procedure	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide documentation, the complaint procedure had been made available to individuals or their legal guardians for 2 of 13 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found and/or incomplete: • Grievance/Complaint Procedure Acknowledgement (#2, 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?)***:** →	

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; 6/15/2015 **CHAPTER 11 (FL) Living Supports – Family Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports- Family Living Services:** 1. Family Living Services providers must assure that each individual's residence is maintained to be clean, safe and comfortable and accommodates the individuals' daily living, social and leisure activities. In addition, the residence must: a. Maintain basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water and telephone; b. Provide environmental accommodations and assistive technology devices in the residence including modifications to the bathroom (i.e., shower chairs, grab bars, walk in shower, raised toilets, etc.) based on the unique needs of the individual in consultation with the IDT; c. Have a battery operated or electric smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguisher, or a sprinkler system; d. Have a general-purpose first aid kit; e. Allow at a maximum of two (2) individuals to share, with mutual consent, a bedroom and each individual has the right to have his or her own bed; f. Have accessible written documentation of	Based on observation, the Agency did not ensure that each individuals' residence met all requirements within the standard for 3 of 9 Supported Living and Family Living residences. Review of the residential records and observation of the residence revealed the following items were not found, not functioning or incomplete: **Supported Living Requirements:** • Water temperature in home does not exceed safe temperature (110^0 F) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 115^0 F (#1) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 120^0 F (#2) ➢ Water temperature in home measured 139.5^0 F (#5) • Accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures shall address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding (#2, 5) *Note: The following Individuals share a SL residence:* ◦ #6, 10	**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?)*: →	

actual evacuation drills occurring at least three (3) times a year; g. Have accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Delivery training or each individual's ISP; and h. Have accessible written procedures for emergency placement and relocation of individuals in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy. The emergency evacuation procedures must address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding. **CHAPTER 12 (SL) Living Supports – Supported Living Agency Requirements G. Residence Requirements for Living Supports- Supported Living Services:** 1. Supported Living Provider Agencies must assure that each individual's residence is maintained to be clean, safe, and comfortable and accommodates the individual's daily living, social, and leisure activities. In addition, the residence must: 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); 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.			

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 # 5I44 **Adult Habilitation Reimbursement**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 III. PROVIDER AGENCY DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY AND LOCATION** **A. General:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the service, quality, quantity and clinical necessity furnished to individuals who are currently receiving services. The Provider Agency records shall be sufficiently detailed to substantiate the date, time, individual name, servicing Provider Agency, level of services, and length of a session of service billed. **B. Billable Units:** The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record that is prepared prior to a request for reimbursement from the HSD. For each unit billed, the record shall contain the following: (1) Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval; (2) A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and (3) The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service. **MAD-MR: 03-59 Eff 1/1/2004** **8.314.1 BI RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:**	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Adult Habilitation Services for 1 of 1 individuals. Individual # 1 July 2016 • The Agency billed 134 units of Adult Habilitation (T2021 U1) from 7/6/2016 through 7/12/2016. Documentation received accounted for 90 units. August 2016 • The Agency billed 136 units of Adult Habilitation (T2021 U1) from 8/3/2016 through 8/9/2016. Documentation received accounted for 71 units. • The Agency billed 142 units of Adult Habilitation (T2021 U1) from 8/10/2016 through 8/17/2016. Documentation received accounted for 111 units. • The Agency billed 141 units of Adult Habilitation (T2021 U1) from 8/24/2016 through 8/30/2016. Documentation received accounted for 78 units. • The Agency billed 131 units of Adult Habilitation (T2021 U1) from 8/31/2016 through 9/6/2016. Documentation received	**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?)***: →**	

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. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 5 XVI. REIMBURSEMENT** **A. Billable Unit**. A billable unit for Adult Habilitation Services is in 15-minute increments hour. The rate is based on the individual's level of care. **B. Billable Activities** (1) The Community Inclusion Provider Agency can bill for those activities listed and described on the ISP and within the Scope of Service. Partial units are allowable. Billable units are face-to-face, except that Adult Habilitation services may be non- face-to-face under the following conditions: (a) Time that is non face-to-face is documented separately and clearly identified as to the nature of the activity; and(b) Non face-to-face hours do not exceed 5% of the monthly billable hours. (2) Adult Habilitation Services can be provided with any other services, insofar as the services are not reported for the same hours on the same day, except that Therapy Services and Case Management may be provided and billed for the same hours	accounted for 79 units. September 2016 • The Agency billed 137 units of Adult Habilitation (T2021 U1) from 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016. Documentation received accounted for 73 units.		

Tag # IS30 **Customized Community Supports Reimbursement**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **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:** 1. The billable unit for Individual Customized Community Supports is a fifteen (15) minute 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 6 individuals. Individual #2 August 2016 • The Agency billed 95 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/3/2016 through 8/9/2016. Documentation received accounted for 92 units. • The Agency billed 93 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/10/2016 through 8/16/2016. Documentation received accounted for 89 units. • The Agency billed 127 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/17/2016 through 8/21/2016. Documentation received accounted for 51 units. • The Agency billed 121 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/24/2016 through 8/30/2016. Documentation received accounted for 80 units. • The Agency billed 120 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/31/2016 through 9/6/2016.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to effect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

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; c. Provided in accordance with the Scope of Services; and d. Activities included in billable services, activities or situations.	Documentation received accounted for 92 units. September 2016 • The Agency billed 110 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 9/7/2016 through 9/13/2016. Documentation received accounted for 63 units. • The Agency billed 88 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016. Documentation received accounted for 46 units. Individual #5 August 2016 • The Agency billed 89 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/3/2016 through 8/9/2016. Documentation received accounted for 87 units. • The Agency billed 116 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/10/2016 through 8/16/2016. Documentation received accounted for 105 units. • The Agency billed 114 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/17/2016 through 8/23/2016. Documentation received accounted for 98 units. • The Agency billed 86 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/24/2016 through 8/30/2016. Documentation received accounted for 68 units.		

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.	• The Agency billed 101 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/31/2016 through 9/6/2016. Documentation received accounted for 96 units. September 2016 • The Agency billed 86 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016. Documentation received accounted for 78 units. Individual #6 July 2016 • The Agency billed 24 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 7/6/2016 through 7/12/2016. Documentation received accounted for 16 units. August 2016 • The Agency billed 45 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/3/2016 through 8/9/2016. Documentation received accounted for 8 units. • The Agency billed 28 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/10/2016 through 8/16/2016. Documentation received accounted for 8 units. • The Agency billed 14 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/17/2016 through 8/23/2016. Documentation received accounted for 8 units. • The Agency billed 22 units of Customized		

	Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/24/2016 through 8/30/2016. Documentation received accounted for 8 units. September 2016 • The Agency billed 16 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 9/7/2016 through 9/13/2016. Documentation received accounted for 7 units. • The Agency billed 16 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016. Documentation received accounted for 7 units. Individual #7 August 2016 • The Agency billed 132 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/3/2016 through 8/9/2016. Documentation received accounted for 64 units. • The Agency billed 129 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/10/2016 through 8/16/2016. Documentation received accounted for 64 units. • The Agency billed 133 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 8/17/2016 through 8/23/2016. Documentation received accounted for 68 units. September 2016 • The Agency billed 133 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 9/7/2016 through 9/13/2016.		

	Documentation received accounted for 123 units. • The Agency billed 138 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U8) from 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016. Documentation received accounted for 76 units. Individual #10 July 2016 • The Agency billed 122 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 7/13/2016 through 7/19/2016. Documentation received accounted for 103 units. August 2016 • The Agency billed 94 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/3/2016 through 8/9/2016. Documentation received accounted for 83 units. • The Agency billed 130 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/10/2016 through 8/16/2016. Documentation received accounted for 109 units. • The Agency billed 126 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/17/2016 through 8/23/2016. Documentation received accounted for 50 units. • The Agency billed 131 units of Customized Community Supports (group) (T2021 HB U7) from 8/31/2016 through 9/6/2016. Documentation received accounted for 116 units.		

	September 2016 • The Agency billed 120 units of Customized Community Supports (Group) (T2021 HB U7) from 9/7/2016 through 9/13/2016. Documentation received accounted for 113 units.		

Tag # LS26 / 6L26 **Supported Living Reimbursement**	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 11/1/2012 revised 4/23/2013; 6/15/2015 **CHAPTER 12 (SL) 4. REIMBURSEMENT** **A.** Supported Living 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 Supported Living Provider Agency records must be sufficiently detailed to substantiate the date, time, individual name, servicing provider, nature of services, and length of a session of service billed. Providers are required to comply with the Human Services Department Billing Regulations. a. The rate for Supported Living is based on categories associated with each individual's NM DDW Group; and b. A non-ambulatory stipend is available for those who meet assessed need requirements. **B. Billable Units:** 1. The billable unit for Supported Living is based on a daily rate. A day is considered 24 hours from midnight to midnight. If 12 or less hours of service are provided then one half unit shall be billed. A whole unit can be billed if more than 12 hours of service is provided during a 24 hour period. 2. The maximum allowable billable units cannot exceed three hundred forty (340) calendar days per ISP year or one hundred seventy (170) calendar days per six (6) months. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service	Based on record review, the Agency did not provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Supported Living Services for 4 of 6 individuals. Individual #1 September 2016 • The Agency billed 7 units of Supported Living (T2033 U1 UJ) from 8/31/2016 through 9/6/2016. Documentation received accounted for 1 unit. • The Agency billed 7 units of Supported Living (T2033 U1 UJ) from 9/7/2016 through 9/13/2016. No documentation was found for 9/7/2016 through 9/13/2016 to justify the 7 units billed. • The Agency billed 7 units of Supported Living (T2033 U1 UJ) from 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016. No documentation was found for 9/14/2016 through 9/20/2016 to justify the 7 units billed. • The Agency billed 7 units of Supported Living (T2033 U1 UJ) from 9/21/2016 through 9/27/2016. No documentation was found for 9/21/2016 through 9/27/2016 to justify the 7 units billed. Individual #2 September 2016 • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/10/2016. No documentation was found on 9/10/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed.	**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?)*: →	

Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 1 III. PROVIDER AGENCY DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY AND LOCATION** **A. General:** All Provider Agencies shall maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the service, quality, quantity and clinical necessity furnished to individuals who are currently receiving services. The Provider Agency records shall be sufficiently detailed to substantiate the date, time, individual name, servicing Provider Agency, level of services, and length of a session of service billed. **B. Billable Units:** The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record that is prepared prior to a request for reimbursement from the HSD. For each unit billed, the record shall contain the following: (1) Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval; (2) A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and (3) The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service. **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. Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007 **CHAPTER 6. IX. REIMBURSEMENT FOR COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICES** A. **Reimbursement** for Supported Living Services (1) Billable Unit. The billable Unit for Supported Living Services is based on a daily rate. The	Individual #5 September 2016 • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/1/2016. No documentation was found on 9/1/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/2/2016. No documentation was found to on 9/2/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/7/2016. Documentation received accounted for .5 units. As indicated by DDW Standards, more than 12 hours of Supported Living Services must be provided to bill one full unit. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/14/2016. Documentation received accounted for .5 units. As indicated by DDW Standards, more than 12 hours of Supported Living Services must be provided to bill one full unit. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/15/2016. Documentation received accounted for .5 units. As indicated by DDW Standards, more than 12 hours of Supported Living Services must be provided to bill one full unit. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) from 9/29/2016. Documentation received accounted for .5 units. As indicated by DDW Standards, more than 12 hours of Supported Living Services must be provided to bill one full unit.		

daily rate cannot exceed 340 billable days a year. (2) **Billable Activities** (a) Direct care provided to an individual in the residence any portion of the day. (b) Direct support provided to an individual by community living direct service staff away from the residence, e.g., in the community. (c) Any activities in which direct support staff provides in accordance with the Scope of Services. (3) Non-Billable Activities (a) The Supported Living Services provider shall not bill DD Waiver for Room and Board. (b) Personal care, respite, nutritional counseling and nursing supports shall not be billed as separate services for an individual receiving Supported Living Services. (c) The provider shall not bill when an individual is hospitalized or in an institutional care setting.	Individual #6 July 2016 • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 7/6/2016. No documentation was found on 7/6/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 7/22/2016. No documentation was found on 7/22/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. August 2016 • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 8/13/2016. No Documentation was found on 8/13/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 8/26/2016. No Documentation was found on 8/26/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 8/27/2016. No Documentation was found on 8/27/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. September 2016 • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/2/2016. No Documentation was found on 9/2/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed. • The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/23/2016. No Documentation was found on 9/23/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed.		

	• The Agency billed 1 unit of Supported Living (T2016 HB U6) on 9/24/2016. No Documentation was found on 9/24/2016 to justify the 1 unit billed.		

Date: April 5, 2017

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Region: Metro and Northeast
Survey Date: October 14 - 20, 2016
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver

Service Surveyed: ***2012:*** *Living Supports* (Supported Living, Family Living); *Inclusion Supports* (Customized Community Supports, Community Integrated Employment Services) and *Other* (Customized In-Home Supports)

2007: *Community Living* (Supported Living) and *Community Inclusion* (Adult Habilitation)

Survey Type: Routine

Dear Mrs. Kalter;

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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