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Date:	April 2, 2024
To:	Kristin Martin, Director / Case Manager
Provider:	New Mexico Quality Case Management, Inc.
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State/Zip:	Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109
E-mail Address:	director@nmqualitycm.org
Region:	Metro and Northeast
Survey Date:	March 11 – 22, 2024
Program Surveyed:	Developmental Disabilities Waiver
Service Surveyed:	Case Management
Survey Type:	Routine
Team Leader:	Heather Driscoll, AA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau
Team Members:	Kayla Benally, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Marilyn Moreno, AA, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Sally Rel, MS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Kaitlyn Taylor, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau; Lundy Tvedt, BA, JD, Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau

Dear Ms. Kristin Martin,

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

The following tags are identified as Condition of Participation Level:

- Tag # 4C16 Req. for Reports & Distribution of ISP (Provider Agencies, Individual and / or Guardian)

The following tags are identified as Standard Level:

- Tag # 1A08.3 Administrative Case File – Individual Service Plan / ISP Components
- Tag # 1A08.4 Assistive Technology Inventory List
- Tag # 4C01.1 Case Management Services – Utilization of Services
- Tag # 4C08 ISP Development Process
- Tag # 4C09 Secondary Freedom of Choice (SFOC)
- Tag # 4C16.1 Req. for Reports & Distribution of ISP (Regional DDSD Office)
- Tag # 1A22.1 / 4C02.1 Case Manager Competencies: Job Knowledge
- Tag # 1A27.0 Immediate Action and Safety Plan

Plan of Correction:

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

You were provided information during the exit meeting portion of your on-site survey. Please refer to this information (Attachment A) for specific instructions on completing your Plan of Correction. At a minimum your Plan of Correction should address the following for each Tag cited:

Corrective Action for Current Citation:

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

On-going Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Processes:

- What is going to be done on an ongoing basis? (i.e. file reviews, etc.)
- How many individuals is this going to affect? (i.e. percentage of individuals reviewed, number of files reviewed, etc.)
- How often will this be completed? (i.e. weekly, monthly, quarterly, etc.)
- Who is responsible? (responsible position within your agency)
- What steps will be taken if issues are found? (i.e. retraining, requesting documents, filing RORA, etc.)
- How is this integrated in your agency's QIS, QI Committee reviews and annual report?

Submission of your Plan of Correction:

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

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

1. **Quality Management Bureau, Marie Passaglia, Plan of Correction Coordinator** at Marie.Passaglia@doh.nm.gov

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

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

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

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

Attention: *Lisa Medina-Lujan*
HSD/OIG/Program Integrity Unit
PO Box 2348
1474 Rodeo Road
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

If you have questions and would like to speak with someone at HSD/OIG/PIU, please contact:

Lisa Medina-Lujan (Lisa.Medina-Lujan@hsd.nm.gov)

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

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

ATTN: QMB Bureau Chief
Request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings
5300 Homestead Rd NE, Suite 300-331
Albuquerque, NM 87110
Attention: IRF request/QMB

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

Please contact the Plan of Correction Coordinator, Marie Passaglia at 505-819-7344 or email Marie.Passaglia@doh.nm.gov 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,

Heather Driscoll, AA

Heather Driscoll, AA
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor
Division of Health Improvement
Quality Management Bureau

Survey Process Employed:

Administrative Review Start Date:	March 11, 2024
Contact:	**New Mexico Quality Case Management, Inc.** Kristin Martin, Director / Case Manager **DOH/DHI/QMB** Heather Driscoll, Team Lead / Healthcare Surveyor
Entrance Conference Date:	March 12, 2024
Present:	**New Mexico Quality Case Management, Inc.** Kristin Martin, Director / Case Manager **DOH/DHI/QMB** Heather Driscoll, AA, Team Lead / Healthcare Surveyor Marilyn Moreno, AA, Healthcare Surveyor Sally Rel, MS, Healthcare Surveyor Lundy Tvedt, BA, JD, Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor
Exit Conference Date:	March 22, 2024
Present:	**New Mexico Quality Case Management, Inc.** Kristin Martin, Director / Case Manager **DOH/DHI/QMB** Heather Driscoll, AA, Team Lead / Healthcare Surveyor Kayla Benally, BSW, Healthcare Surveyor Wolf Krusemark, BFA, Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor Marilyn Moreno, AA, Healthcare Surveyor Sally Rel, MS, Healthcare Surveyor Lundy Tvedt, BA, JD, Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor **DDSD - Metro Regional Office** Jennie McNab, Metro Assistant Regional Director Evangeline Yanez, Community Programs Bureau Chief **DDSD - Northeast Regional Office** Kim Hamstra, Northeast DDSD Director
Administrative Locations Visited:	1 *(8205 Spain Road, Suite 216 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109)*
Total Sample Size:	30
Persons Served Records Reviewed	30
Total Number of *Secondary Freedom of Choices* Reviewed:	Number: 122
Case Management Personnel Records Reviewed	10
Case Manager Personnel Interviewed	10
Administrative Interview	1

Administrative Processes and Records Reviewed:

- Medicaid Billing/Reimbursement Records for all Services Provided
- Individual Medical and Program Case Files, including, but not limited to:
  - Individual Service Plans
  - Progress on Identified Outcomes
  - Healthcare 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 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

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

Attachment A

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

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

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

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

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

Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your Regional DDSD Office.

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

Instructions for Completing Agency POC:

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

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

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

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

1. How the specific and realistic corrective action will be accomplished for individuals found to have been affected by the deficient practice.
2. How the agency will identify other individuals who have the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice, and how the agency will act to protect those individuals in similar situations.
3. What Quality Assurance measures will be put into place and what systemic changes made to ensure the deficient practice will not recur.
4. Indicate how the agency plans to monitor its performance to ensure certain solutions are sustained. The agency must develop a QA plan for ensuring correction is achieved and sustained. This QA plan must be implemented, and the corrective action is evaluated for its effectiveness. The plan of correction is integrated into the agency quality assurance system; and
5. Include dates when corrective actions will be completed. The corrective action completion dates must be acceptable to the State.

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

- Details about how and when Individual Served, agency personnel and administrative and service delivery site files are audited by agency personnel to ensure they contain required documents.
- Information about how medication administration records are reviewed to verify they contain all required information before they are distributed to service sites, as they are being used, and after they are completed.
- Your processes for ensuring that all required agency personnel are trained on required DDSD required trainings.
- How accuracy in billing/reimbursement documentation is assured.
- How health, safety is assured.
- For Case Management providers, how Individual Service Plans are reviewed to verify they meet requirements, how the timeliness of level of care (LOC) packet submissions and consumer visits are tracked.
- Your process for gathering, analyzing, and responding to quality data indicators; and,
- Details about Quality Targets in various areas, current status, analyses about why targets were not met, and remedies implemented.

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

Completion Dates

- The plan of correction must include a **completion date** (entered in the far right-hand column) for each finding. Be sure the date is **realistic** in the amount of time your Agency will need to correct the deficiency; not to exceed 45 total business days.
- Direct care issues should be corrected immediately and monitored appropriately.
- Some deficiencies may require a staged plan to accomplish total correction.
- Deficiencies requiring replacement of equipment, etc., may require more time to accomplish corrections 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, Marie Passaglia at 505-819-7344 or email Marie.Passaglia@doh.nm.gov for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your respective Regional DDSD Office.
4. Submit your POC to via email to Marie.Passaglia@doh.nm.gov. Please also submit your POC to your Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Regional Office for region of service surveyed.
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. You must also submit evidence of the ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes.

1. Your internal documents are due within a *maximum* of 45 business days of receipt of your Report of Findings.
2. Please submit your documents electronically according to the following: If documents do not contain protected Health information (PHI) then you may submit your documents electronically scanned and attached to the State email account. If documents contain PHI **do not** submit PHI directly to the State email account. *You may submit PHI **only** when **replying** to a **secure** email received from the State email account*. When possible, please submit requested documentation using a "zipped/compressed" file to reduce file size. You may also submit documents via S-Comm (Therap), or another electronic format, i.e., flash drive.
3. All submitted documents *must be annotated*; please be sure the tag numbers and Identification numbers are indicated on each document submitted. Documents which are not annotated with the Tag number and Identification number may not be accepted.
4. Do not submit original documents; Please provide copies or scanned electronic files for evidence. Originals must be maintained in the agency file(s) per DDSD Standards.
5. In lieu of some documents, you may submit copies of file or home audit forms that clearly indicate cited deficiencies have been corrected, other attestations of correction must be approved by the Plan of Correction Coordinator prior to their submission.
6. When billing deficiencies are cited, you must provide documentation to justify billing and/or void and adjust forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC for the deficiencies cited in the Report of Findings.

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

Attachment B

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

The Division of Health Improvement, Quality Management Bureau (QMB) surveys compliance of the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) standards and other state and federal regulations. For the purpose of the case management survey the CMS waiver assurances have been grouped into five (5) Service Domains: Plan of Care (Development and Monitoring); Level 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 Assurance system and Medicaid billing and reimbursement processes.)

The QMB Determination of Compliance process is based on provider compliance or non-compliance with standards and regulations identified during the on-site survey process and as reported in the QMB Report of Findings. All areas reviewed by QMB have been agreed to by DDSD and DHI/QMB and are reflective of CMS requirements. All deficiencies (non-compliance with standards and regulations) are identified and cited as either a Standard level deficiency or a Condition of Participation level deficiency in the QMB Reports of Findings. All deficiencies require corrective action when non-compliance is identified.

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

Conditions of Participation (CoPs)

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

Service Domains and CoPs for <u>Case Management</u> are as follows:

<u>Service Domain: Plan of Care ISP Development & Monitoring -</u> *Service plans address all participants' assessed needs (including health and safety risk factors) and goals, either by waiver services or through other means. Services plans are updated or revised at least annually or when warranted by changes in the waiver participants' needs.*

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

- **1A08.3 –** Administrative Case File - Individual Service Plan (ISP) / ISP Components
- **4C07 –** Individual Service Planning (Visions, measurable outcome, action steps)
- **4C07.1 –** Individual Service Planning – Paid Services
- **4C10 –** Approved Budget Worksheet Waiver Review Form / MAD 046
- **4C12 –** Monitoring & Evaluation of Services
- **4C16 –** Requirements for Reports & Distribution of ISP (Provider Agencies, Individual and/or Guardian)

<u>Service Domain: Level of Care -</u> *Initial and annual Level of Care (LOC) evaluations are completed within timeframes specified by the State.*

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

- **4C04 –** Assessment Activities

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

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

- **1A22/4C02 –** Case Manager: Individual Specific Competencies
- **1A22.1 / 4C02.1 –** Case Manager Competencies: Knowledge of Service

Non-Negotiable Condition of Participation Level Tags (one or more Individuals are cited):

- **1A25.1 –** Caregiver Criminal History Screening
- **1A26.1 –** Consolidated On-line Registry Employee Abuse Registry

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

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

- **1A08.2 –** Administrative Case File: Healthcare Requirements & Follow-up
- **1A15.2 –** Administrative Case File: Healthcare Documentation (Therap and Required Plans)

Attachment C

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

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

Instructions:
1. The Informal Reconsideration of the Finding (IRF) request must be received in writing to the QMB Bureau Chief **within 10 business days** of receipt of the final Report of Findings **(*Note: No extensions are granted for the IRF)*.**
2. The written request for an IRF *must* be completed on the QMB Request for Informal Reconsideration of Finding form available on the QMB website: Microsoft Word - IRF-QMB-Form.doc (nmhealth.org)
3. The written request for an IRF must specify in detail the request for reconsideration and why the finding is inaccurate.
4. The IRF request must include all supporting documentation or evidence.
5. If you have questions about the IRF process, email the IRF Chairperson, Valerie V. Valdez at valerie.valdez@doh.nm.gov 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 of the decisions of the IRF committee.

Attachment D

QMB Determinations of Compliance

Compliance:

The QMB determination of *Compliance* indicates that a provider has either no deficiencies found during a survey or that no deficiencies at the Condition of Participation Level were found. The agency has obtained a level of compliance such that there is a minimal potential for harm to individuals' health and safety. To qualify for a determination of *Compliance*, the provider must have received no Conditions of Participation Level Deficiencies and have a minimal number of Individuals on the sample affected by the findings indicated in the Standards Level Tags.

Partial-Compliance with Standard Level Tags:

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

1. Your Report of Findings includes 16 or fewer Standards Level Tags with between 75% and 100% of the survey sample affected in any tag.

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

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

The QMB determination of *Partial-Compliance with Standard Level Tags and Condition of Participation Level Tags* indicates that a provider is out of compliance with one to five (1 – 5) Condition of Participation Level Tags. This partial compliance, if not corrected, may result in a serious negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals' health and safety.

Non-Compliance:

The QMB determination of *Non-Compliance* indicates a provider is significantly out of compliance with both Standard Level deficiencies and Conditions of Participation level deficiencies. This non-compliance, if not corrected, may result in a serious negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals' health and safety. There are three ways an agency can receive a determination of Non-Compliance:

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

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

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

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Completion Date
Service Domain: Plan of Care - ISP Development & Monitoring – *Service plans address all participates' assessed needs (including health and safety risk factors) and goals, either by waiver services or through other means. Services plans are updated or revised at least annually or when warranted by changes in the waiver participants' needs.*			
Tag # 1A08.3 Administrative Case File – Individual Service Plan / ISP Components	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
NMAC 7.26.5 SERVICE PLANS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES LIVING IN THE COMMUNITY. **NMAC 7.26.5.12 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - PARTICIPATION IN AND SCHEDULING OF INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM MEETINGS.** **NMAC 7.26.5.14 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - CONTENT OF INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLANS.** Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 6: Individual Service Plan (ISP): 6.2 IDT Membership and Meeting Participation:** The Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) membership and meeting participation varies per person. 1. At least the following IDT participants are required to contribute: a. the person receiving services and supports; b. court appointed guardian or parents of a minor, if applicable; c. CM; d. friends requested by the person; e. family member(s) and/or significant others requested by the person;	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete client record at the administrative office for 1 of 30 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, not current and/or did not meet the requirement: **Addendum A w/ *Incident Mgt. System - Parent/Guardian Training* :** • Not Found (#17)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

f. DSP who provide the on-going, regular support to the person in the home, work, and/or recreational activities; g. Provider Agency service coordinators; and h. ancillary providers such as the OT, PT, SLP, BSC, nurse and nutritionist, as appropriate; and i. healthcare coordinator… **6.6 DDSD ISP Template**: The ISP must be written according to templates provided by the DDSD. Both children and adults have designated ISP templates. The ISP template includes Vision Statements, Desired Outcomes, a meeting participant signature page, an Addendum A (i.e., an acknowledgement of receipt of specific information) and other elements depending on the age and status of the individual. **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2.8 Maintaining a Complete Client Record:** The CM is required to maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements: …. 3. The case file must contain the documents identified in Appendix A:Client File Matrix. **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2 Client Records Requirements**: All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced….			

Tag # 1A08.4 Assistive Technology Inventory List	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2.8 Maintaining a Complete Client Record:** The CM is required to maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements: …. 3. The case file must contain the documents identified in Appendix A:Client File Matrix. **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2 Client Records Requirements**: All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced…. **Chapter 12: Professional Clinical Services 12.5.7.3 Assistive Technology (AT) Services, Remote Personal Support Technology (RPST) and Environmental Modifications:** Therapists support the person to access and utilize AT, RPST and Environmental Modifications through the following requirements: 1. Therapists are required to be or become familiar with AT and RPST related to that therapist's practice area and used or needed by individuals on that therapist's caseload. 2. Therapists are required to provide a current AT Inventory to each Living Supports and CCS site where AT is used, for each person using AT related to that therapist's scope of service. a. The final AT inventory must be reviewed by the case manager and team for accuracy before it gets distributed to the entire IDT.	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain a complete client record at the administrative office for 1 of 30 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed the following items were not found, not current and/or did not meet the requirement: **Assistive Technology (AT) Inventory List:** • Individual #7 - As indicated by the Health and Safety section of ISP the individual is required to have an AT inventory list. No evidence of AT inventory 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 affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

Tag # 4C01.1 Case Management Services – Utilization of Services	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 8 Case Management: 8.2.7 Monitoring and Evaluating Service Delivery:** The CM is required to complete a formal, ongoing monitoring process to evaluate the quality, effectiveness, and appropriateness of services and supports provided to the person as specified in the ISP. The CM is also responsible for monitoring the health, safety and abuse free environment of the person. Monitoring and evaluation activities include the following requirements:… 14. The CM must monitor utilization of budgets by reviewing in the Medicaid Web Portal monthly in preparation for site visits. The CM uses the information to have informed discussions with the person/guardian about high or low utilization and to follow up with any action that may be needed to assure services are provided as outlined in the ISP with respect to: quantity, frequency and duration. Follow up action may include, but not be limited to: a. documenting extraordinary circumstances; b. convening the IDT to submit a revision to the ISP and budget as necessary; c. working with the provider to align service provision with ISP and using the RORA process if there is no resolution from the provider; and d. reviewing the SFOC process with the person and guardian, if applicable.	Based on interview, the Case Manager did not or was not aware of how to monitor the utilization of budgets by reviewing in the Medicaid Web Portal for 1 of 30 individuals. **When the Case Managers were asked, how do you monitor an Individual's Utilization of Services *(Is the Individual using the services identified in the budget)*, the following was reported:** • #507 stated, "We make sure they're using it. ISP, documenting." **When the Case Managers were asked, what steps do you take when the Individual is not utilizing the services identified in the budget or is not able to access the services and who do you contact, the following was reported:** • #507 stated, "Talk to my director." Per standards, "The CM must monitor utilization of budgets by reviewing in the Medicaid Web Portal monthly in preparation for site visits. The CM uses the information to have informed discussions with the person/guardian about high or low utilization and to follow up with any action that may be needed to assure services are provided as outlined in the ISP..." #507 did not indicate to utilize the Medicaid Web Portal when individuals are not utilizing services or is not able to access the service.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

Tag # 4C08 ISP Development Process	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 2: Human Rights: 2.2.1 Statement of Rights Acknowledgement Requirements**: The CM is required to review the Statement of Rights (See DDW Standards Appendix C HCBS Rights and Freedoms) with the person, in a manner that accommodates preferred communication style, at the annual meeting. The person and their guardian, if applicable, sign the acknowledgement form at the annual meeting. **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2.1 Promoting Self Advocacy and Advocating on Behalf of the Person in Services:** A primary role of the CM is to facilitate self-advocacy and advocate on behalf of the person, which includes, but is not limited to: **8.2.8 Maintaining a Complete Client Record:** The CM is required to maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements: …. 3. The case file must contain the documents identified in Appendix A:Client File Matrix.	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements for 2 of 30 individuals. Review of the records indicated the following: **Statement of Rights Acknowledgment:** • Not Found (#17, 19)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

Tag # 4C09 Secondary Freedom of Choice (SFOC)	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2.8 Maintaining a Complete Client Record:** The CM is required to maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements: …. 3. The case file must contain the documents identified in Appendix A:Client File Matrix. **Chapter 4 Person Centered Planning (PCP): 4.4 Freedom of Choice of DD Waiver Provider Agencies:** People receiving DD Waiver funded services have the right to choose any qualified provider of case management services listed on the PFOC (Primary Freedom of Choice) or CM Agency Change Form and a qualified provider of any other DD Waiver service listed on SFOC (Secondary Freedom of Choice) form. The CM Agency Change Forms are maintained by each Regional Office. **4.4.2 Annual Review of SFOC:** Choice of Provider Agencies must be continually assured. A person has a right to change Provider Agencies if they are not satisfied with services at any time. 1. The SFOC form must be utilized when the person and/or legal guardian wants to change Provider Agencies. 2. The SFOC must be signed at the time of the initial service selection and reviewed annually by the CM and the person and/or guardian… **Chapter 20: Provider Documentation and Client Records: 20.2 Client Records Requirements**: All DD Waiver Provider Agencies are required to create and maintain individual client records. The contents of client	Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain the Secondary Freedom of Choice documentation (for current services) and/or ensure individuals obtained all services through the Freedom of Choice Process for 2 of 30 individuals. Review of the Agency individual case files revealed 2 out of 122 Secondary Freedom of Choices were not found and/or not agency specific to the individual's current services: **Secondary Freedom of Choice:** • Behavior Consultation (#27) • Adult Nursing Services (#16)	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

records vary depending on the unique needs of the person receiving services and the resultant information produced….			

Tag # 4C16 Req. for Reports & Distribution of ISP (Provider Agencies, Individual and / or Guardian)	Condition of Participation Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2.8 Maintaining a Complete Client Record:** The CM is required to maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements: 1. CMs will provide complete copies of the ISP to the Provider Agencies listed in the budget, the person and the guardian, if applicable, at least 14 calendar days prior to the start of the new ISP. Copies shall include any related ISP minutes, TSS, IST Attachment A, Addendum A, signature page and revisions, if applicable. 2. CMs will provide complete copies of the ISP to the respective DDSD Regional Offices 14 calendar days prior to the start of the new ISP. **NMAC 7.26.5.17 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - DISSEMINATION OF THE ISP, DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE:** A. The case manager shall provide copies of the completed ISP, with all relevant service provider strategies attached, within fourteen (14) days of ISP approval to: (1) the individual; (2) the guardian (if applicable); (3) all relevant staff of the service provider agencies in which the ISP will be implemented, as well as other key support persons; (4) all other IDT members in attendance at the meeting to develop the ISP; (5) the individual's attorney, if applicable; (6) others the IDT identifies, if they are entitled to the information, or those the individual or guardian identifies;	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 follow and implement the Case Manager Requirement for Reports and Distribution of Documents as follows for 9 of 30 Individuals: The following was found indicating the agency failed to provide a copy of the ISP to the Provider Agencies, Individual and / or Guardian at least 14 calendar days prior to the start date of the new ISP: **No Evidence found indicating ISP was distributed:** • Individual #6: ISP was not provided to LCA / CI Providers. • Individual #16: ISP was not provided to Guardian / Individual and LCA / CI Providers. • Individual #22: ISP was not provided to Guardian / Individual, and LCA / CI Providers. • Individual #26: ISP was not provided to Guardian / Individual. • Individual #28: ISP was not provided to Guardian / Individual, and LCA / CI Providers. **Evidence indicated ISP was provided after ISP start date:**	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

(7) for all developmental disabilities Medicaid waiver recipients, including *Jackson* class members, a copy of the completed ISP containing all the information specified in 7.26.5.14 NMAC, including strategies, shall be submitted to the local regional office of the DDSD; (8) for *Jackson* class members only, a copy of the completed ISP, with all relevant service provider strategies attached, shall be sent to the *Jackson* lawsuit office of the DDSD. B. Current copies of the ISP shall be available at all times in the individual's records located at the case management agency. The case manager shall assure that all revisions or amendments to the ISP are distributed to all IDT members, not only those affected by the revisions.	• Individual #5*: ISP start date was 10/10/2023, ISP was sent to Guardian / Individual and LCA / CI Providers on 3/7/2024.* • Individual #10*: ISP start date was 12/1/2023, ISP was sent to Guardian / Individual, LCA / CI Providers on 12/6/2023.* • Individual #13*: ISP start date was 1/2/2024, ISP was sent to Guardian / Individual and LCA / CI Providers on 3/14/2024.* • Individual #24*: ISP start date was 1/1/2024, ISP was sent to Guardian / Individual, LCA / CI Providers on 3/13/2024.*		

Tag # 4C16.1 Req. for Reports & Distribution of ISP (Regional DDSD Office)	Standard Level Deficiency		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2.8 Maintaining a Complete Client Record:** The CM is required to maintain documentation for each person supported according to the following requirements: 1. CMs will provide complete copies of the ISP to the Provider Agencies listed in the budget, the person and the guardian, if applicable, at least 14 calendar days prior to the start of the new ISP. Copies shall include any related ISP minutes, TSS, IST Attachment A, Addendum A, signature page and revisions, if applicable. 2. CMs will provide complete copies of the ISP to the respective DDSD Regional Offices 14 calendar days prior to the start of the new ISP. **NMAC 7.26.5.17 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP) - DISSEMINATION OF THE ISP, DOCUMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE:** A. The case manager shall provide copies of the completed ISP, with all relevant service provider strategies attached, within fourteen (14) days of ISP approval to: (1) the individual; (2) the guardian (if applicable); (3) all relevant staff of the service provider agencies in which the ISP will be implemented, as well as other key support persons; (4) all other IDT members in attendance at the meeting to develop the ISP; (5) the individual's attorney, if applicable; (6) others the IDT identifies, if they are entitled to the information, or those the individual or guardian identifies; (7) for all developmental disabilities Medicaid waiver recipients, including	Based on record review, the Agency did not follow and implement the Case Manager Requirement for Reports and Distribution of Documents as follows for 11 of 30 Individual: The following was found indicating the agency failed to provide a copy of the ISP to the respective DDSD Regional Office at least 14 calendar days prior to the start of the new ISP: **No Evidence found indicating ISP was distributed to the regional office:** • Individual #5: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #6: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #7: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #16: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #17: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #19: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #21: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #22: ISP was not provided to DDSD. • Individual #25: ISP was not provided to DDSD.	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

Jackson class members, a copy of the completed ISP containing all the information specified in 7.26.5.14 NMAC, including strategies, shall be submitted to the local regional office of the DDSD; (8) for *Jackson* class members only, a copy of the completed ISP, with all relevant service provider strategies attached, shall be sent to the *Jackson* lawsuit office of the DDSD. B. Current copies of the ISP shall be available at all times in the individual's records located at the case management agency. The case manager shall assure that all revisions or amendments to the ISP are distributed to all IDT members, not only those affected by the revisions.	**Evidence indicated ISP was provided after ISP start date:** • Individual #4*: ISP start date was 8/1/2023, ISP was sent to DDSD on 9/14/2023.* • Individual #10*: ISP start date was 12/1/2023, ISP was sent to DDSD on 12/6/2023.* • Individual #13*: ISP start date was 1/2/2024, ISP was sent to DDSD on 3/11/2024.* • Individual #24*: ISP start date was 1/1/2024, ISP was sent DDSD on 3/13/2024.* • Individual #26*: ISP start date was 11/29/2023, ISP was sent to DDSD on 12/1/2023.*		

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Completion Date
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 # 1A22.1 / 4C02.1 Case Manager Competencies: Job Knowledge	**Standard Level Deficiency**		
Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 8: Case Management: 8.2 Scope** DD Waiver CMs must have knowledge of the requirements for the entire system to effectively provide and monitor services… **8.2.1 Promoting Self Advocacy and Advocating on Behalf of the Person in Services:** A primary role of the CM is to facilitate self-advocacy and advocate on behalf of the person… **8.3.1 CM Qualifications and Training Requirements:** 1. Within specified timelines, Case Management Provider Agencies must assure that all CMs meet the requirements for pre-service and core competency and ongoing annual training as specified in Chapter 17: Training Requirements… 2. Case Management Provider Agencies must have professional development requirements in place to assure that all CMs engage in continuing education, DDSD trainings, professional skill building activities, and remediate any performance issues. 3. Case Management Provider Agencies and their staff/sub-contractors must adhere to all requirements communicated to them by DDSD, including participation in the Therap system, attendance at mandatory meetings and trainings, and participation in technical assistance sessions. 4. Case Management Provider Agencies and their staff/subcontractors must adhere to all	Based on interview, the Agency did not ensure each case manager had the knowledge of the requirements for the entire system to effectively provide and monitor services for 1 of 10 Case Managers. **When the Case Managers were asked, how do you ensure and monitor a Meaningful Day for individuals in CCS, the following was reported:** • #507 stated, "We make sure we document..."Goals, their outcomes." **When the Case Managers were asked, how do you monitor the Implementation of the ISP, the following was reported:** • #507 stated, "I ask questions."	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)***: →** **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)***: →**	

training requirements to use secure and web-based systems to transfer information as required by the TPA. (This includes the TPA Web Portal and Secure CISCO system). 7. CMs, whether subcontracting or employed by a Provider Agency, shall have a working knowledge of the health and social resources available within a region… **Chapter 17: Training Requirements: 17.2 Training Requirements for CMs and Case Management Supervisors**: Individual Specific Training: Complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported**…** 2. CM and CM Supervisors shall also complete DDSD-approved core curriculum training facilitated by certified trainers… 3. Substitute CMs shall comply with the training requirements of the CM for whom they are substituting. 4. All case managers will be required to complete 14 hours of training annually. a. ANE (Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation) Awareness training is required annually and can be used towards the 14 hours for annual training. b. Training must include topic areas in health and person-centered planning related to health care for people with IDD. c. Remaining hours to be self-selected from list of DDSD approved providers of training, related to a person with IDD. Participation in pilot programs, meetings, webinars, or community of practice meetings approved or sponsored by DDSD can be used toward annual requirement. **Chapter 18: Incident Management System: 18.1 Training on Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation (ANE) Recognition and Reporting:** All employees, contractors,			

volunteers, interns shall be trained on the ANE training curriculum approved by DOH. Employees or volunteers can work with a DD Waiver participant prior to receiving the training only if directly supervised, at all times, by a trained staff.			

Tag # 1A27.0 Immediate Action and Safety Plan	Standard Level Deficiency		
NMAC 7.1.14.8 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROVIDERS: C. Initial reports, form of report, immediate action and safety planning, evidence preservation, required initial notifications: **(4) Immediate action and safety planning:** Upon discovery of any alleged incident of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, the community-based service provider shall: **(a)** develop and implement an immediate action and safety plan for any potentially endangered consumers, if applicable; **(b)** be immediately prepared to report that immediate action and safety plan verbally, and revise the plan according to the division's direction, if necessary; and **(c)** provide the accepted immediate action and safety plan in writing on the immediate action and safety plan form within 24 hours of the verbal report. If the provider has internet access, the report form shall be submitted via the division's website at http://dhi.health.state.nm.us; otherwise it may be submitted by faxing it to the division at 1-800-584-6057. Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 18: Incident Management System:** **18.3 Immediate Action and Safety Plans (IASP):** Upon discovery of any alleged incident of ANE, the DD Waiver Provider Agency shall: 1. develop an Immediate Action and Safety Plans (IASP) for potentially endangered individuals; 2. be immediately prepared to report the IASP verbally to the DHI during the reporting of the initial allegation;	Based on interview, the Case Managers were not aware they are to receive the Immediate Action and Safety Plans (IASP) from providers and distribute to the IDT for 2 of 10 Case Managers. **When the Case Manager was asked, what is your role in the IASP process, the following was reported:** • #504 stated, "I have not received any from an agency yet. There is a lot that I am not informed of. I didn't know I needed them." Per standards the CM must be able to describe that the provider agency must "provide the IASP to the CM for IDT distribution." • #507 stated, "Have an emergency IDT meeting, make sure the individual is safe, report it to DHI." Per standards the CM must be able to describe that the provider agency must provide the IASP to the CM for IDT distribution."	**Provider:** **State your Plan of Correction for the deficiencies cited in this tag here** *(How is the deficiency going to be corrected? This can be specific to each deficiency cited or if possible an overall correction?)*: → **Provider:** **Enter your ongoing Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement processes as it related to this tag number here** *(What is going to be done? How many individuals is this going to affect? How often will this be completed? Who is responsible? What steps will be taken if issues are found?)*: →	

3. report the IASP in writing on the DHI- issued IASP form within 24 hours; 4. revise the plan according to the DHI's direction, if necessary; 5. Send the IASP to the Case Manager; 6. closely follow and not change or deviate from the accepted IASP, without approval from the DHI. **18.7 Notifications:** After an allegation of ANE has been reported to DHI, DD Waiver Provider Agencies have requirements related to notifying participants, guardians, and IDT members regarding allegations of ANE. Notification responsibilities are outlined below: 1. The non-responsible reporting provider shall verbally notify the responsible provider within 24 hours of the report being made to IMB. 2. The responsible provider shall: a. verbally notify the Guardian and CM within 24 hours of the report being made to IMB; b. verbally notify the accused person and alleged victim, when appropriate and using situational discretion; c. provide the IASP to the CM for IDT distribution; and d. provide the CPA plan to the CM only. 3. The CM shall verbally notify the alleged victim of Closure Letters and outcomes of the investigation at the next monthly site visit.			

Standard of Care	Deficiencies	Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party	Completion Date
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 #1A12 All Services Reimbursement	**No Deficient Practices Found**		
NMAC 8.302.2 BILLING FOR MEDICAID SERVICES Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards Eff 11/1/2023 rev. 12/2023 **Chapter 21: Billing Requirements; 23.1 Recording Keeping and Documentation Requirements:** DD Waiver Provider Agencies must maintain all records necessary to demonstrate proper provision of services for Medicaid billing. At a minimum, Provider Agencies must adhere to the following: 1. The level and type of service provided must be supported in the ISP and have an approved budget prior to service delivery and billing. 2. Comprehensive documentation of direct service delivery must include, at a minimum: a. the agency name; b. the name of the recipient of the service; c. the location of the service; d. the date of the service; e. the type of service; f. the start and end times of the service; g. the signature and title of each staff member who documents their time; and 3. Details of the services provided. A Provider Agency that receives payment for treatment, services, or goods must retain all medical and business records for a period of at least six years from the last payment date, until ongoing audits are settled, or until involvement of the state Attorney General is completed regarding settlement of any claim, whichever is longer…	Based on record review, the Agency maintained 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 case management for 30 of 30 individuals. *Progress notes and billing records supported Case Management billing activities for the months of November 2023, December 2023, and January 2024.*		

21.7 Billable Activities: Specific billable activities are defined in the scope of work and service requirements for each DD Waiver service. In addition, any billable activity must also be consistent with the person's approved ISP. **21.9 Billable Units**: The unit of billing depends on the service type. The unit may be a 15-minute interval, a daily unit, a monthly unit, or a dollar amount. The unit of billing is identified in the current DD Waiver Rate Table. Provider Agencies must correctly report service units. **21.9.2 Requirements for Monthly Units:** For services billed in monthly units, a Provider Agency must adhere to the following: 1. A month is considered a period of 30 calendar days. 2. Face-to-face billable services shall be provided during a month where any portion of a monthly unit is billed. 3. Monthly units can be prorated by a half unit.			

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Service Surveyed: Case Management

Survey Type: Routine

Dear Ms. Kristin Martin,

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,

Marie Passaglia, BA

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Healthcare Surveyor Advanced/Plan of Correction Coordinator

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