

Date: April 26, 2011

To: Mark Johnson, Executive Director  
Provider: Santa Maria El Mirador  
Address: 2041 S. Pacheco Suite 100  
State/Zip: Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

E-Mail Address: Agency Requested Hard Copy

CC: Mary McFadin, Board Chair  
Address: 2041 S. Pacheco, Suite 100  
State/Zip: Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Region: Northeast  
Survey Date: April 5 – 7, 2011  
Program Surveyed: Developmental Disabilities Waiver  
Service Surveyed: Community Living (Supported Living & Independent Living) & Community Inclusion (Adult Habilitation & Supported Employment)

Survey Type: Routine  
Team Leader: Deb Russell, BS, Healthcare Surveyor, Division of Health Improvement/Quality Management Bureau  
Team Members: Suzanne Welch, Developmental Disabilities Specialist, Developmental Disabilities Supports Division

Dear Mr. Johnson;

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 contracts. Upon receipt of this letter and Report of Findings your agency must immediately correct all deficiencies which place Individuals served at risk of harm.

**Quality Management Compliance Determination:**

The Division of Health Improvement is issuing your agency a determination of "Non-Compliance with Conditions of Participation."

**Plan of Correction:**

The attached Report of Findings identifies deficiencies found during your agency's compliance review. You are required to complete and implement a 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. The response is due to the parties below within 10 business days of the receipt of this letter:

- 1. Quality Management Bureau, Attention: Plan of Correction Coordinator  
5301 Central Ave. NE Suite 400 Albuquerque, NM 87108**



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**Roger Gillespie, Acting Division Director • Division of Health Improvement**

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## 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 within 45 business days. If your Plan of Correction is denied, you must resubmit a revised plan as soon as possible for approval, as all remedies must still be completed within 45 business days of the receipt of this letter.

Failure to submit, complete or implement your Plan of Correction within the 45 day required time frames may result in the imposition of a \$200 per day Civil Monetary Penalty until it is received, completed and/or implemented.

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

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

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

See Attachment "C" for additional guidance in completing the request for Informal Reconsideration of Findings. The request for an IRF will not delay the implementation of your Plan of Correction which must be completed within 45 business days. 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 at 505-222-8647 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,

*Deb Russell, BS*

Deb Russell, BS  
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor  
Division of Health Improvement  
Quality Management Bureau

## Survey Process Employed:

Entrance Conference Date:	April 5, 2011
Present:	<b><u>Santa Maria El Mirador</u></b> Mary Archuleta, Team Manager Edwina Villareal, Team Manager Amelia Martinez, Team Manager  <b><u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u></b> Deb Russell, BS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor  <b><u>DDSD - Northeast Regional Office</u></b> Suzanne Welch, Developmental Disabilities Specialist
Exit Conference Date:	April 7, 2011
Present:	<b><u>Santa Maria El Mirador</u></b> Brenda Martinez, Day Service Coordinator Alexandra Salazar, Assistant Team Manager Maureen Martinez, Assistant Team Manager Edwina Villareal, Team Manager Gloria Johnson, RN Roberta Salinas, Assistant Team Manager Mary Archuleta, Team Manager Lurene Chavez, Assistant Team Manager Barbara Hall, Program Director, via telephone  <b><u>DOH/DHI/QMB</u></b> Deb Russell, BS, Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor  <b><u>DDSD - Northeast Regional Office</u></b> Suzanne Welch, Developmental Disabilities Specialist
Total Homes Visited	Number: 2
❖ Supported Homes Visited	Number: 2
Administrative Locations Visited	Number: 2 (2041 S. Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM & Alcalde, NM)
Total Sample Size	Number: 3 2 - <i>Jackson Class</i> Members 1 - <i>Non-Jackson Class</i> Members 2 - Supported Living 1 - Independent Living 3 - Adult Habilitation 1 - Supported Employment
Persons Served Interviewed	Number: 2
Persons Served Observed	Number: 1 (Individual did not respond to Surveyor's questions)
Direct Service Professionals Interviewed	Number: 5
Direct Service Professionals Record Review	Number: 18
Service Coordinator Record Review	Number: 4
Records Reviewed (Persons Served)	Number: 3

Administrative Files Reviewed

- Billing Records
- Medical Records
- Incident Management Records
- Personnel Files
- Training Records
- Agency Policy and Procedure
- Caregiver Criminal History Screening Records
- Employee Abuse Registry
- Human Rights Notes and/or Meeting Minutes
- Evacuation Drills

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

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

### **Introduction:**

After a QMB Compliance Review, your QMB Report of Findings will be sent to you via US 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 non compliance.

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

If you have questions about the Plan of Correction process, call the QMB Plan of Correction Coordinator at 505-222-8647 or email at [George.Perrault@state.nm.us](mailto:George.Perrault@state.nm.us). Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your DDS Regional Office.

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) days of receiving your report. The POC process cannot resolve disputes regarding findings. 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. (see page 3, DDW standards, effective; April 1, 2007, Chapter 1, Section I Continuous Quality Management System)

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 you submit needs to address **each deficiency** in the two right hand columns with:

1. How the corrective action will be accomplished for all cited deficiencies in the report of findings;
2. How your Agency will identify all other individuals having the potential to be affected by the same deficient practice;
3. What measures will be put into place or what systemic changes will be made to ensure that the deficient practice will not reoccur and corrective action is sustained;
4. How your Agency plans to monitor corrective actions utilizing its continuous Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Plan to assure solutions in the plan of correction are achieved and sustained, including (if appropriate):
  - 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, Incident Reporting, and Individual-Specific service requirements, etc;
  - How accuracy in Billing documentation is assured;

- How health, safety is assured;
  - For Case Management Providers, how ISPs 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, and
  - Details about Quality Targets in various areas, current status, Root Cause Analyses about why Targets were not met, and remedies implemented.
5. The individual's title responsible for the Plan of Correction and completion date.

**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 should 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). Be sure the date is **realistic** in the amount of time your Agency will need to correct the deficiency; not to exceed 45 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.

### **Plan of Correction Submission Requirements**

1. Your 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. If you have questions about the POC process, call the POC Coordinator, George Perrault at 505-222-8647 for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your local DDSD Regional Office.
4. Submit your POC to George Perrault, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
  - a. Electronically at [George.Perrault@state.nm.us](mailto:George.Perrault@state.nm.us)
  - b. Faxed to 505-222-8661, or
  - c. Mailed to QMB, 5301 Central Avenue SW, Suite 400, Albuquerque, NM 87108
5. Do not send supporting documentation to QMB until after your POC has been approved by QMB.
6. QMB will notify you when your POC has been "approve" or "denied."
  - a. 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 that your POC has been approved by QMB and a final deadline for completion of your POC.
7. Failure to submit your POC within 10 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.
8. 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 at QMB, 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.

### ***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. You may submit your documents by postal mail, fax, or electronically on disc or 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; hard copies or scanned and electronically submitted copies are fine. 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. For billing deficiencies, you must submit:
  - a. Evidence of an internal audit of billing documentation for a sample of individuals and timeframes;
  - b. Copies of “void and adjust” forms submitted to correct all over-billed or unjustified units billed identified during your internal audit.

## QMB Scope and Severity Matrix

Each deficiency in your Report of Findings is scored on a Scope and Severity Scale. The culmination of each deficiency's Scope and Severity is used to determine degree of compliance to standards and regulations and level of QMB Compliance Determination.

		SCOPE			
		Isolated 01% - 15%	Pattern 16% - 79%	Widespread 80% - 100%	
SEVERITY	High Impact	Immediate Jeopardy to individual health and or safety	J.	K.	L.
		Actual harm	G.	H.	I.
	Medium Impact	No Actual Harm Potential for more than minimal harm	D.	E.	F. (3 or more)
			D. (2 or less)		F. (no conditions of participation)
	Low Impact	No Actual Harm Minimal potential for harm.	A.	B.	C.

### Scope and Severity Definitions:

- **Isolated:**  
A deficiency that is limited to 1% to 15% of the sample, usually impacting few individuals in the sample.
  
- **Pattern:**  
A deficiency that impacts a number or group of individuals from 16% to 79% of the sample is defined as a pattern finding. Pattern findings suggest the need for system wide corrective actions.
  
- **Widespread:**  
A deficiency that impacts most or all (80% to 100%) of the individuals in the sample is defined as widespread or pervasive. Widespread findings suggest the need for system wide corrective actions as well as the need to implement a Continuous Quality Improvement process to improve or build infrastructure. Widespread findings could be referred to the Internal Review Committee for review and possible actions or sanctions.

## QMB Determinations of Compliance

- “Substantial Compliance with Conditions of Participation”

The QMB determination of “Substantial Compliance with Conditions of Participation” indicates that a provider is in substantial compliance with all ‘Conditions of Participation’ and other standards and regulations. 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 Substantial Compliance with Conditions of Participation, the provider must be in compliance with all Conditions of Participation.

- “Non-Compliance with Conditions of Participation”

The QMB determination of “Non-Compliance with Conditions of Participation” indicates that a provider is out of compliance with one (1) or more ‘Conditions of Participation.’ This non-compliance, if not corrected, is likely to result in a serious negative outcome or the potential for more than minimal harm to individuals’ health and safety.

Providers receiving a repeat determination of ‘Non-Compliance’ may be referred by QMB to the Internal Review Committee (IRC) for consideration of remedies and possible actions.

- “Sub-Standard Compliance with Conditions of Participation”:

The QMB determination of “Sub-Standard Compliance with Conditions of Participation” indicates a provider is significantly out of compliance with Conditions of Participation and/or has:

- Multiple findings of widespread non-compliance with any standard or regulation with a significant potential for more than minimal harm.
- Any finding of actual harm or Immediate Jeopardy.

Providers receiving a repeat determination of ‘Substandard Compliance’ will be referred by QMB to the Internal Review Committee (IRC) for consideration of remedies and possible actions.

## **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 that surveyors have clarified issues and/or requested missing information before completing the review. 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 in writing to the QMB Deputy Bureau Chief **within 10 working days** of receipt of the final report.
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.

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

- The request for an IRF and all supporting evidence must be received within 10 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 QMB compliance determination or the length of their DDS provider contract.

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

QMB has 30 working days to complete the review and notify the provider of the decision. The request will be reviewed by the IRF committee. 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:** Santa Maria El Mirador - Northeast Region  
**Program:** Developmental Disabilities Waiver  
**Service:** Community Living (Supported Living & Independent Living) & Community Inclusion (Adult Habilitation & Supported Employment)  
**Monitoring Type:** Routine Survey  
**Date of Survey:** April 5 – 7, 2011

Standard of Care	Deficiency	Agency Plan of Correction and Responsible Party	Date Due
<p><b>Tag # 1A03 CQI System</b></p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 I. PROVIDER AGENCY ENROLLMENT PROCESS</b></p> <p><b>I. Continuous Quality Management System:</b></p> <p>Prior to approval or renewal of a DD Waiver Provider Agreement, the Provider Agency is required to submit in writing the current Continuous Quality Improvement Plan to the DOH for approval. In addition, on an annual basis DD Waiver Provider Agencies shall develop or update and implement the Continuous Quality Improvement Plan. The CQI Plan shall be used to 1) discover strengths and challenges of the provider agency, as well as strengths, and barriers individuals experience in receiving the quality, quantity, and meaningfulness of services that he or she desires; 2) build on strengths and remediate individual and provider level issues to improve the provider's service provision over time. At a minimum the CQI Plan shall address how the agency will collect, analyze, act on data and evaluate results related to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Individual access to needed services and supports;</li> <li>(2) Effectiveness and timeliness of implementation of Individualized Service Plans;</li> <li>(3) Trends in achievement of individual outcomes in the Individual Service Plans;</li> <li>(4) Trends in medication and medical incidents leading to adverse health events;</li> <li>(5) Trends in the adequacy of planning and</li> </ol>	<p><b>Scope and Severity Rating: C</b></p> <p>Based on record review and interview, the Agency failed to develop and implement a Continuous Quality Management System.</p> <p>Review of the Agency's records found no evidence of a CQI Plan during the on-site survey. The CQI Plan was requested and not provided.</p> <p>When asked to provide a copy of the CQI Plan, the following was reported, SC#58 stated, "I have requested it but I haven't received it."</p>		

- coordination of healthcare supports at both supervisory and direct support levels;
- (6) Quality and completeness documentation; and
- (7) Trends in individual and guardian satisfaction.

**7.1.13.9 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICE PROVIDERS:**

**E. Quality Improvement System for Community Based Service Providers:** The community based service provider shall establish and implement a quality improvement system for reviewing alleged complaints and incidents. The incident management system shall include written documentation of corrective actions taken. The community based service provider shall maintain documented evidence that all alleged violations are thoroughly investigated, and shall take all reasonable steps to prevent further incidents. The community based service provider shall provide the following internal monitoring and facilitating quality improvement system:

- (1) community based service providers funded through the long-term services division to provide waiver services shall have current incident management policy and procedures in place, which comply with the department's current requirements;
- (2) community based service providers providing developmental disabilities services must have a designated incident management coordinator in place;
- (4) community based service providers providing developmental disabilities services must have an incident management committee to address internal and external incident reports for the purpose of looking at internal root causes and to take action on identified trends or issues.

Tag # 1A07 SSI Payments	Scope and Severity Rating: C		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p>C. Provider Agency Financial Records and Accounting: Each individual served will be presumed able to manage his or her own funds unless the ISP documents justified limitations or supports for self-management, and where appropriate, reflects a plan to increase this skill. All Provider Agencies shall maintain and enforce written policies and procedures regarding the use of the individual's SSI payments or other personal funds, including accounting for all spending by the Provider Agency, and outlining protocols for fulfilling the responsibilities as representative payee if the agency is so designated for an individual.</p> <p><b>Code of Federal Regulations:</b></p> <p><b>§416.635 What are the responsibilities of your representative payee...</b></p> <p>A representative payee has a responsibility to:</p> <p>(a) Use the benefits received on your behalf only for your use and benefit in a manner and for the purposes he or she determines under the guidelines in this subpart, to be in your best interests;</p> <p>(b) Keep any benefits received on your behalf separate from his or her own funds and show your ownership of these benefits unless he or she is your spouse or natural or adoptive parent or stepparent</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to maintain and enforce written policies and procedures regarding the use of individuals' SSI payments or other personal funds.</p> <p>The Agency's policy regarding individual SSI payments or other personal funds did not include protocols for fulfilling the responsibilities as representative payee including notification &amp; reporting requirements.</p>		

and lives in the same household with you or is a State or local government agency for whom we have granted an exception to this requirement;

(c) Treat any interest earned on the benefits as your property;

(d) Notify us of any event or change in your circumstances that will affect the amount of benefits you receive, your right to receive benefits, or how you receive them;

(e) Submit to us, upon our request, a written report accounting for the benefits received on your behalf, and make all supporting records available for review if requested by us;

(f) Notify us of any change in his or her circumstances that would affect performance of his/her payee responsibilities; and

§416.640 Use of benefit payments.

**Current maintenance.** We will consider that payments we certify to a representative payee have been used for the use and benefit of the beneficiary if they are used for the beneficiary's current maintenance. Current maintenance includes costs incurred in obtaining food, shelter, clothing, medical care and personal comfort items.

**§416.665 How does your representative payee account for the use of benefits...**

Your representative payee must account for the use of your benefits. We require written reports from your representative payee at least once a year (except for certain State institutions that participate in a separate onsite review program). We may verify how your representative payee used your benefits. Your representative payee should keep records of how benefits were used in order to make accounting reports and must make those records available upon our request.

Tag # 1A08 Agency Case File	Scope and Severity Rating: A		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>D. Provider Agency Case File for the Individual:</b> All Provider Agencies shall maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for each individual. Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the receiving agency whenever an individual changes providers. The record must also be made available for review when requested by DOH, HSD or federal government representatives for oversight purposes. The individual's case file shall include the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Emergency contact information, including the individual's address, telephone number, names and telephone numbers of relatives, or guardian or conservator, physician's name(s) and telephone number(s), pharmacy name, address and telephone number, and health plan if appropriate;</li> <li>(2) The individual's complete and current ISP, with all supplemental plans specific to the individual, and the most current completed Health Assessment Tool (HAT);</li> <li>(3) Progress notes and other service delivery documentation;</li> <li>(4) Crisis Prevention/Intervention Plans, if there are any for the individual;</li> <li>(5) A medical history, which shall include at least demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the</li> </ol>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to maintain at the administrative office a confidential case file for 1 of 3 individuals.</p> <p>Review of the Agency individual case files found the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical Therapy Plan (#2)</li> </ul>		

<p>developmental disability, psychiatric diagnoses, allergies (food, environmental, medications), immunizations, and most recent physical exam;</p> <p>(6) When applicable, transition plans completed for individuals at the time of discharge from Fort Stanton Hospital or Los Lunas Hospital and Training School; and</p> <p>(7) Case records belong to the individual receiving services and copies shall be provided to the individual upon request.</p> <p>(8) The receiving Provider Agency shall be provided at a minimum the following records whenever an individual changes provider agencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Complete file for the past 12 months;</li> <li>(b) ISP and quarterly reports from the current and prior ISP year;</li> <li>(c) Intake information from original admission to services; and</li> <li>(d) When applicable, the Individual Transition Plan at the time of discharge from Los Lunas Hospital and Training School or Ft. Stanton Hospital.</li> </ul>			
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Tag # 1A09 Medication Delivery (MAR) - Routine Medication	Scope and Severity Rating: D		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>E. Medication Delivery:</b> Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>(2) When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</li> <li>(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</li> <li>(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;</li> <li>(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;</li> <li>(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</li> </ul>	<p>Medication Administration Records (MAR) were reviewed for the months of December 2010 &amp; January &amp; February 2011.</p> <p>Based on record review, 1 of 3 individuals had Medication Administration Records, which contained missing medications entries and/or other errors:</p> <p>Individual #2 December 2010 Medication Administration Records contained missing entries. No documentation found indicating reason for missing entries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budesonide 0.5mg/2ml (2 times daily) – Blank 12/9 (8:00 PM)</li> </ul>		

<p>(f) For PRN medication, an explanation for the use of the PRN medication shall include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>(3) The Provider Agency shall also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose;</p> <p>(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;</p> <p>(5) Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications shall be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and shall include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;</p> <p><b>NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS:</b>  <b>A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS:</b></p> <p>(d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting medication administered to residents, <b>including over-the-counter medications</b>. This documentation shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Name of resident;</li> <li>(ii) Date given;</li> <li>(iii) Drug product name;</li> <li>(iv) Dosage and form;</li> <li>(v) Strength of drug;</li> <li>(vi) Route of administration;</li> <li>(vii) How often medication is to be taken;</li> <li>(viii) Time taken and staff initials;</li> <li>(ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued or changed;</li> <li>(x) The name and initials of all staff</li> </ul>			
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administering medications.

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***D. Administration of Drugs***

Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications. Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications.

All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include:

- symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,
- exact dosage to be used, and
- the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period.

Tag # 1A09.1 Medication Delivery - PRN Medication	Scope and Severity Rating: D		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 II. PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:</b> The objective of these standards is to establish Provider Agency policy, procedure and reporting requirements for DD Medicaid Waiver program. These requirements apply to all such Provider Agency staff, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional Provider Agency requirements and personnel qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>E. Medication Delivery:</b> Provider Agencies that provide Community Living, Community Inclusion or Private Duty Nursing services shall have written policies and procedures regarding medication(s) delivery and tracking and reporting of medication errors in accordance with DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy and Procedures, the Board of Nursing Rules and Board of Pharmacy standards and regulations.</p> <p>(2) When required by the DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy, Medication Administration Records (MAR) shall be maintained and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The name of the individual, a transcription of the physician's written or licensed health care provider's prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication, diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</li> <li>(b) Prescribed dosage, frequency and method/route of administration, times and dates of administration;</li> <li>(c) Initials of the individual administering or assisting with the medication;</li> <li>(d) Explanation of any medication irregularity;</li> <li>(e) Documentation of any allergic reaction or adverse medication effect; and</li> </ul>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to maintain PRN Medication Administration Records which contained all elements required by standard for 1 of 3 Individuals.</p> <p>Individual #2 February 2011</p> <p>No Effectiveness was noted on the Medication Administration Record for the following PRN medication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Azithromycin 250mg – PRN – 2/1 (given 1 time)</li> </ul> <p>Medication Administration Records do not indicate whether the following medications are Routine or PRN medications and do not include required information as per standard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tylenol 325mg</li> </ul>		

<p>(f) For PRN medication, an explanation for the use of the PRN medication shall include observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and documentation of effectiveness of PRN medication administered.</p> <p>(3) The Provider Agency shall also maintain a signature page that designates the full name that corresponds to each initial used to document administered or assisted delivery of each dose;</p> <p>(4) MARs are not required for individuals participating in Independent Living who self-administer their own medications;</p> <p>(5) Information from the prescribing pharmacy regarding medications shall be kept in the home and community inclusion service locations and shall include the expected desired outcomes of administering the medication, signs and symptoms of adverse events and interactions with other medications;</p> <p><b>NMAC 16.19.11.8 MINIMUM STANDARDS: A. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, STORAGE, HANDLING AND RECORD KEEPING OF DRUGS:</b></p> <p>(d) The facility shall have a Medication Administration Record (MAR) documenting medication administered to residents, <b>including over-the-counter medications.</b> This documentation shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Name of resident;</li> <li>(ii) Date given;</li> <li>(iii) Drug product name;</li> <li>(iv) Dosage and form;</li> <li>(v) Strength of drug;</li> <li>(vi) Route of administration;</li> <li>(vii) How often medication is to be taken;</li> <li>(viii) Time taken and staff initials;</li> <li>(ix) Dates when the medication is discontinued</li> </ul>			
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- or changed;
- (x) The name and initials of all staff administering medications.

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***D. Administration of Drugs***

Unless otherwise stated by practitioner, patients will not be allowed to administer their own medications. Document the practitioner's order authorizing the self-administration of medications.

All PRN (As needed) medications shall have complete detail instructions regarding the administering of the medication. This shall include:

- symptoms that indicate the use of the medication,
- exact dosage to be used, and
- the exact amount to be used in a 24 hour period.

**Department of Health**

**Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy - Eff. November 1, 2006**

**F. PRN Medication**

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

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

**H. Agency Nurse Monitoring**

1. Regardless of the level of assistance with medication delivery that is required by the individual or the route through which the medication is delivered, the agency nurses must monitor the individual's response to the effects of their routine and PRN medications. The frequency and type of monitoring must be based on the nurse's assessment of the individual and consideration of the individual's diagnoses, health status, stability, utilization of PRN medications and level of support required by the individual's condition and the skill level and needs of the direct care staff. Nursing monitoring should be based on prudent nursing practice and should support the safety and independence of the individual in the community setting. The health care plan shall reflect the planned monitoring of the individual's response to medication.

**Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) - Procedure Title: Medication Assessment and Delivery Procedure Eff Date: November 1, 2006**

C. 3. Prior to delivery of the PRN, direct support staff must contact the agency nurse to describe observed symptoms and thus assure that the PRN is being used according to instructions given by the ordering PCP. In cases of fever, respiratory distress (including coughing), severe pain, vomiting, diarrhea, change in responsiveness/level of consciousness, the nurse must strongly consider the need to conduct a face-to-face assessment to assure that the PRN does not mask a condition better treated by seeking medical attention.

(References: Psychotropic Medication Use Policy, Section D, page 5 Use of PRN Psychotropic Medications; and, Human Rights Committee Requirements Policy, Section B, page 4 Interventions Requiring Review and Approval – Use of PRN Medications).

a. Document conversation with nurse including all reported signs and symptoms, advice given and action taken by staff.

4. Document on the MAR each time a PRN medication is used and describe its effect on the individual (e.g., temperature down, vomiting lessened, anxiety increased, the condition is the same, improved, or worsened, etc.).

Tag # 1A20 DSP Training Documents	Scope and Severity Rating: D		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 IV. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVIDER AGENCY SERVICE</b></p> <p><b>PERSONNEL:</b> The objective of this section is to establish personnel standards for DD Medicaid Waiver Provider Agencies for the following services: Community Living Supports, Community Inclusion Services, Respite, Substitute Care and Personal Support Companion Services. These standards apply to all personnel who provide services, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional personnel requirements and qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>C. Orientation and Training Requirements:</b> Orientation and training for direct support staff and his or her supervisors shall comply with the DDSD/DOH Policy Governing the Training Requirements for Direct Support Staff and Internal Service Coordinators Serving Individuals with Developmental Disabilities to include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Each new employee shall receive appropriate orientation, including but not limited to, all policies relating to fire prevention, accident prevention, incident management and reporting, and emergency procedures; and</li> <li>(2) Individual-specific training for each individual under his or her direct care, as described in the individual service plan, prior to working alone with the individual.</li> </ol> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff.</p> <p>B. Staff shall complete individual-specific (formerly known as "Addendum B") training requirements in</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to ensure that Orientation and Training requirements were met for 1 of 18 Direct Service Professionals.</p> <p>Review of Direct Service Professionals training records found no evidence of the following required DOH/DDSD trainings and certification being completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participatory Communication &amp; Choice Making (DSP #46)</li> </ul>		

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.

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.

Tag # 1A22 Staff Competence	Scope and Severity Rating: D	
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 IV. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVIDER AGENCY SERVICE</b></p> <p><b>PERSONNEL:</b> The objective of this section is to establish personnel standards for DD Medicaid Waiver Provider Agencies for the following services: Community Living Supports, Community Inclusion Services, Respite, Substitute Care and Personal Support Companion Services. These standards apply to all personnel who provide services, whether directly employed or subcontracting with the Provider Agency. Additional personnel requirements and qualifications may be applicable for specific service standards.</p> <p><b>F. Qualifications for Direct Service Personnel:</b> The following employment qualifications and competency requirements are applicable to all Direct Service Personnel employed by a Provider Agency:</p> <p>(1) Direct service personnel shall be eighteen (18) years or older. Exception: Adult Habilitation can employ direct care personnel under the age of eighteen 18 years, but the employee shall work directly under a supervisor, who is physically present at all times;</p> <p>(2) Direct service personnel shall have the ability to read and carry out the requirements in an ISP;</p> <p>(3) Direct service personnel shall be available to communicate in the language that is functionally required by the individual or in the use of any specific augmentative communication system utilized by the individual;</p> <p>(4) Direct service personnel shall meet the qualifications specified by DDSD in the Policy</p>	<p>Based on interview, the Agency failed to ensure that training competencies were met for 1 of 5 Direct Service Professionals.</p> <p><b>When DSP were asked if the Individual had a Positive Behavioral Supports Plan and what the plan covered, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #44 stated, "I don't know." According to the documentation reviewed, the Individual has a Positive Behavioral Supports Plan dated 9/2010. (Individual #3)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked if they received training on the Individual's Speech Therapy Plan and what the plan covered, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #44 stated, "No." According to the Individual Specific Training Section of the ISP, the Individual requires a Speech Therapy Plan. (Individual #3)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked if they received training on the Individual's Health Care Plans and what the plan covered, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #44 stated, "No." As indicated by the Agency file, the Individual has Health Care Plans for Asthma. (Individual #3)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked if the Individual had any Crisis Plans for Medical, Chronic or potentially Life-Threatening conditions, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #44 stated, "I don't know." As indicated by the Agency file, the Individual has Crisis Plans for Respiratory Distress/Airway Obstruction/Asthma. (Individual #3)</li> </ul>	

<p>Governing the Training Requirements for Direct Support Staff and Internal Service Coordinators, Serving Individuals with Developmental Disabilities; and</p> <p>(5) Direct service Provider Agencies of Respite Services, Substitute Care, Personal Support Services, Nutritional Counseling, Therapists and Nursing shall demonstrate basic knowledge of developmental disabilities and have training or demonstrable qualifications related to the role he or she is performing and complete individual specific training as required in the ISP for each individual he or she support.</p> <p>(6) Report required personnel training status to the DDSD Statewide Training Database as specified in DDSD policies as related to training requirements as follows:</p> <p>(a) Initial comprehensive personnel status report (name, date of hire, Social Security number category) on all required personnel to be submitted to DDSD Statewide Training Database within the first ninety (90) calendar days of providing services;</p> <p>(b) Staff who do not wish to use his or her Social Security Number may request an alternative tracking number; and</p> <p>(c) Quarterly personnel update reports sent to DDSD Statewide Training Database to reflect new hires, terminations, inter-provider Agency position changes, and name changes.</p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff.</p>			
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Tag # 1A25 (CoP) CCHS	Scope and Severity Rating: D		
<p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.8 CAREGIVER AND HOSPITAL CAREGIVER EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:</b>  <b>F. Timely Submission:</b> Care providers shall submit all fees and pertinent application information for all individuals who meet the definition of an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver as described in Subsections B, D and K of 7.1.9.7 NMAC, no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the first day of employment or effective date of a contractual relationship with the care provider.</p> <p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.9 CAREGIVERS OR HOSPITAL CAREGIVERS AND APPLICANTS WITH DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS:</b>  <b>A. Prohibition on Employment:</b> A care provider shall not hire or continue the employment or contractual services of any applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver for whom the care provider has received notice of a disqualifying conviction, except as provided in Subsection B of this section.</p> <p><b>NMAC 7.1.9.11 DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS.</b>  The following felony convictions disqualify an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver from employment or contractual services with a care provider:  <b>A.</b> homicide;  <b>B.</b> trafficking, or trafficking in controlled substances;  <b>C.</b> kidnapping, false imprisonment, aggravated assault or aggravated battery;  <b>D.</b> rape, criminal sexual penetration, criminal sexual contact, incest, indecent exposure, or other related felony sexual offenses;  <b>E.</b> crimes involving adult abuse, neglect or financial exploitation;  <b>F.</b> crimes involving child abuse or neglect;  <b>G.</b> crimes involving robbery, larceny, extortion, burglary, fraud, forgery, embezzlement, credit card fraud, or receiving stolen property; or  <b>H.</b> an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy involving any of the felonies in this subsection.</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to 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 1 of 22 Agency Personnel.</p> <p><b>The following Agency Personnel Files contained no evidence of Caregiver Criminal History Screenings:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #46 – Date of hire 1/25/2010</li> </ul>		

Tag # 1A26 (CoP) COR / EAR	Scope and Severity Rating: D		
<p><b>NMAC 7.1.12.8 REGISTRY ESTABLISHED; PROVIDER INQUIRY REQUIRED:</b> 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.</p> <p>A. <b>Provider requirement to inquire of registry.</b> 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.</p> <p>B. <b>Prohibited employment.</b> 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.</p> <p>D. <b>Documentation of inquiry to registry.</b> 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 employee prior to employment. Such documentation must include evidence, based on the response to such inquiry received from the custodian by the provider, that the employee was not listed on the registry as having a substantiated registry-referred incident of abuse, neglect or exploitation.</p> <p>E. <b>Documentation for other staff.</b> With</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to maintain documentation in the employee's personnel records that evidenced inquiry to the Employee Abuse Registry prior to employment for 1 of 22 Agency Personnel.</p> <p><b>The following Agency personnel records contained no evidence of the Employee Abuse Registry being completed prior to employment:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #47 – Date of hire 11/15/2010. Not dated.</li> </ul>		

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.

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**D. Criminal History Screening:** All personnel shall be screened by the Provider Agency in regard to the employee's qualifications, references, and employment history, prior to employment. All Provider Agencies shall comply with the Criminal Records Screening for Caregivers 7.1.12 NMAC and Employee Abuse Registry 7.1.12 NMAC as required by the Department of Health, Division of Health Improvement.

Tag # 1A27 (CoP) Late & Failure to Report	Scope and Severity Rating: D		
<p><b>7.1.13.9 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICE PROVIDERS:</b></p> <p><b>A. Duty To Report:</b></p> <p>(1) All community based service providers shall immediately report abuse, neglect or misappropriation of property to the adult protective services division.</p> <p>(2) All community based service providers shall report to the division within twenty four (24) hours : abuse, neglect, or misappropriation of property, unexpected and natural/expected deaths; and other reportable incidents to include:</p> <p>(a) an environmental hazardous condition, which creates an immediate threat to life or health; or</p> <p>(b) admission to a hospital or psychiatric facility or the provision of emergency services that results in medical care which is unanticipated or unscheduled for the consumer and which would not routinely be provided by a community based service provider.</p> <p>(3) All community based service providers shall ensure that the reporter with direct knowledge of an incident has immediate access to the division incident report form to allow the reporter to respond to, report, and document incidents in a timely and accurate manner.</p> <p><b>B. Notification: (1) Incident Reporting:</b> Any consumer, employee, family member or legal guardian may report an incident independently or through the community based service provider to the division by telephone call, written correspondence or other forms of communication utilizing the division's incident report form. The incident report form and instructions for the completion and filing are available at the division's website, <a href="http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/elibrary/ironline/ir.php">http://dhi.health.state.nm.us/elibrary/ironline/ir.php</a> or may be obtained from the department by calling the toll free number.</p>	<p>Based on the Incident Management Bureau's Late and Failure Reports, the Agency failed to report suspected abuse, neglect, or misappropriation of property, unexpected and natural/expected deaths; or other reportable incidents to the Division of Health Improvement for 1 of 4 individuals.</p> <p>Individual #4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incident date 8/10/2010. Allegation was Neglect. Incident report was received 8/10/2010. Failure to Report. IMB Late &amp; Failure Report indicated incident of Neglect was "Confirmed."</li> </ul>		

<b>Tag # 1A28.1 (CoP) Incident Mgt. System - Personnel Training</b>	<b>Scope &amp; Severity Rating: D</b>		
<p><b>NMAC 7.1.13.10 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS:</b></p> <p><b>A. General:</b> All licensed health care facilities and community based service providers shall establish and maintain an incident management system, which emphasizes the principles of prevention and staff involvement. The licensed health care facility or community based service provider shall ensure that the incident management system policies and procedures requires all employees to be competently trained to respond to, report, and document incidents in a timely and accurate manner.</p> <p><b>D. Training Documentation:</b> All licensed health care facilities and community based service providers shall prepare training documentation for each employee to include a signed statement indicating the date, time, and place they received their incident management reporting instruction. The licensed health care facility and community based service provider shall maintain documentation of an employee's training for a period of at least twelve (12) months, or six (6) months after termination of an employee's employment. Training curricula shall be kept on the provider premises and made available on request by the department. Training documentation shall be made available immediately upon a division representative's request. Failure to provide employee training documentation shall subject the licensed health care facility or community based service provider to the penalties provided for in this rule.</p> <p><b>Policy Title: Training Requirements for Direct Service Agency Staff Policy - Eff. March 1, 2007</b></p> <p><b>II. POLICY STATEMENTS:</b></p> <p>A. Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified staff.</p> <p>C. Staff shall complete training on DOH-approved incident reporting procedures in accordance with 7 NMAC 1.13.</p>	<p>Based on record review and interview, the Agency failed to provide documentation verifying completion of Incident Management Training for 2 of 22 Agency Personnel.</p> <p><b>Service Coordination Personnel (SC):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incident Management Training (Abuse, Neglect &amp; Misappropriation of Consumers' Property) (#61)</li> </ul> <p><b>When DSP were asked to give examples of Neglect &amp; Misappropriation of Consumers' Property, the following was reported:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DSP #44 stated, "I don't know."</li> </ul>		

Tag # 5144 AH Reimbursement	Scope and Severity Rating: C	
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 1 III. PROVIDER AGENCY DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY AND LOCATION</b></p> <p><b>A. General:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>B. Billable Units:</b> The documentation of the billable time spent with an individual shall be kept on the written or electronic record that is prepared prior to a request for reimbursement from the HSD. For each unit billed, the record shall contain the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Date, start and end time of each service encounter or other billable service interval;</li> <li>(2) A description of what occurred during the encounter or service interval; and</li> <li>(3) The signature or authenticated name of staff providing the service.</li> </ol> <p><b>MAD-MR: 03-59 Eff 1/1/2004</b></p> <p><b>8.314.1 BI RECORD KEEPING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:</b></p> <p>Providers must maintain all records necessary to fully disclose the extent of the services provided to the Medicaid recipient. Services that have been billed to Medicaid, but are not substantiated in a treatment plan and/or patient records for the recipient are subject to recoupment.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 5 XVI. REIMBURSEMENT</b></p> <p><b>A. Billable Unit.</b> A billable unit for Adult Habilitation</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Adult Habilitation Services for 3 of 3 individuals.</p> <p>Individual #1 December 2010</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 296 units of Adult Habilitation from 12/1/2010 through 12/31/2010. Documentation received accounted for 276 units.</li> </ul> <p>January 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 488 units of Adult Habilitation from 1/1/2011 through 1/31/2011. Documentation received accounted for 464 units.</li> </ul> <p>February 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 336 units of Adult Habilitation from 2/1/2011 through 2/28/2011. Documentation received accounted for 296 units.</li> </ul> <p>Individual #2 December 2010</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 112 units of Adult Habilitation from 12/1/2010 through 12/31/2010. Documentation did not contain start and end time on 12/1, 9, 10, 15 &amp; 16 to justify billing.</li> </ul> <p>January 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 114 units of Adult Habilitation from 1/1/2011 through 1/31/2011. Documentation did not contain start and end time on 1/3, 6 &amp; 7 to justify billing.</li> </ul> <p>February 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Agency billed 48 units of Adult Habilitation from 2/1/2011 through 2/28/2011. Documentation did not contain start and end</li> </ul>	

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

time on 2/14 & 15 to justify billing.

Individual #3  
February 2011

- The Agency billed 256 units of Adult Habilitation from 2/1/2011 through 2/28/2010. Documentation received accounted for 240 units.

Tag # 6L14 Residential Case File	Scope and Severity Rating: D	
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p><b>A. Residence Case File:</b> For individuals receiving Supported Living or Family Living, the Agency shall maintain in the individual's home a complete and current confidential case file for each individual. For individuals receiving Independent Living Services, rather than maintaining this file at the individual's home, the complete and current confidential case file for each individual shall be maintained at the agency's administrative site. Each file shall include the following:</p> <p>(1) Complete and current ISP and all supplemental plans specific to the individual;</p> <p>(2) Complete and current Health Assessment Tool;</p> <p>(3) Current emergency contact information, which includes the individual's address, telephone number, names and telephone numbers of residential Community Living Support providers, relatives, or guardian or conservator, primary care physician's name(s) and telephone number(s), pharmacy name, address and telephone number and dentist name, address and telephone number, and health plan;</p> <p>(4) Up-to-date progress notes, signed and dated by the person making the note for at least the past month (older notes may be transferred to the agency office);</p> <p>(5) Data collected to document ISP Action Plan implementation</p> <p>(6) Progress notes written by direct care staff and by nurses regarding individual health status and physical conditions including action taken in response to identified changes in condition for at least the past month;</p> <p>(7) Physician's or qualified health care providers written orders;</p> <p>(8) Progress notes documenting implementation of</p>	<p>Based on record review, the Agency failed to maintain a complete and confidential case file in the residence for 2 of 2 Individuals receiving Supported Living Services.</p> <p>The following was not found, incomplete and/or not current:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive Behavioral Plan (#1)</li> <li>• Positive Behavioral Crisis Plan (#1)</li> <li>• Physical Therapy Plan (#2)</li> <li>• <b>Health Care Plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Hypothyroidism (#1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

<p>a physician's or qualified health care provider's order(s);</p> <p>(9) Medication Administration Record (MAR) for the past three (3) months which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The name of the individual;</li> <li>(b) A transcription of the healthcare practitioners prescription including the brand and generic name of the medication;</li> <li>(c) Diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed;</li> <li>(d) Dosage, frequency and method/route of delivery;</li> <li>(e) Times and dates of delivery;</li> <li>(f) Initials of person administering or assisting with medication; and</li> <li>(g) An explanation of any medication irregularity, allergic reaction or adverse effect.</li> <li>(h) For PRN medication an explanation for the use of the PRN must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Observable signs/symptoms or circumstances in which the medication is to be used, and</li> <li>(ii) Documentation of the effectiveness/result of the PRN delivered.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> <p>(10) Record of visits to healthcare practitioners including any treatment provided at the visit and a record of all diagnostic testing for the current ISP year; and</p> <p>(11) Medical History to include: demographic data, current and past medical diagnoses including the cause (if known) of the developmental disability and any psychiatric diagnosis, allergies (food, environmental, medications), status of routine adult health care screenings, immunizations, hospital</p>			
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discharge summaries for past twelve (12) months, past medical history including hospitalizations, surgeries, injuries, family history and current physical exam.

Tag # 6L25 (CoP) Residential Health & Safety (Supported Living & Family Living)	Scope and Severity Rating: F		
<p>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards effective 4/1/2007</p> <p><b>CHAPTER 6. VIII. COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p><b>L. Residence Requirements for Family Living Services and Supported Living Services</b></p> <p>(1) Supported Living Services and Family Living Services providers shall assure that each individual's residence has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Battery operated or electric smoke detectors, heat sensors, or a sprinkler system installed in the residence;</li> <li>(b) General-purpose first aid kit;</li> <li>(c) When applicable due to an individual's health status, a blood borne pathogens kit;</li> <li>(d) Accessible written procedures for emergency evacuation e.g. fire and weather-related threats;</li> <li>(e) Accessible telephone numbers of poison control centers located within the line of sight of the telephone;</li> <li>(f) Accessible written documentation of actual evacuation drills occurring at least three (3) times a year. For Supported Living evacuation drills shall occur at least once a year during each shift;</li> <li>(g) Accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Administration training or each individual's ISP; and</li> <li>(h) 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.</li> </ul>	<p>Based on observation, the Agency failed to ensure that each individual's residence met all requirements within the standard for 2 of 2 Supported Living residences.</p> <p>The following items were not found, not functioning or incomplete:</p> <p><b>Supported Living Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessible written procedures for emergency evacuation e.g. fire and weather-related threats (#2)</li> <li>• Accessible written procedures for the safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each individual that are consistent with the Assisting with Medication Administration training or each individual's ISP (#2)</li> <li>• 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 (#1 &amp; 2)</li> </ul>		

Date: May 20, 2011

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Service Surveyed: Community Living (Supported Living & Independent Living) & Community Inclusion (Adult Habilitation & Supported Employment)

RE: Request for an Informal Reconsideration of Findings

Dear Mr. Johnson;

Your request for a Reconsideration of Findings was received on May 11, 2011. Your request and the supporting evidence provided have been reviewed. Based on the review of applicable standards and regulations, review of the survey process and the evidence you provided, the following determinations have been made:

Regarding Tag # 1A09.1

Determination: The IRF committee is upholding the original finding in the report of findings. You are required to complete the remainder of your Plan of Correction as previously indicated. Based on documentation supplied and deficiencies noted in tag 1A09.1 the dispute does not match the deficiency in the report. Documentation supplied still does not include “effectiveness” of the medication administered, nor did the evidence supplied contain a medication administration record. The scope and severity rating for this tag will remain “D.”

Regarding Tag # 1A25

Determination: The IRF committee is removing the original finding in the report of findings. You are required to complete the remainder of your Plan of Correction as previously indicated.

Regarding Tag # 1A26

Determination: The IRF committee is removing the original finding in the report of findings. You are required to complete the remainder of your Plan of Correction as previously indicated.

Regarding Tag # 6L14

Determination: The IRF committee is upholding the original finding in the report of findings. You are required to complete the remainder of your Plan of Correction as previously indicated. Based on the Residential observation and Staff interview, the required information was requested and signed for by Joyce Zullo on 4/5/11, representing her inability to find the document. The remaining citations noted in tag 6L14 were not disputed. The scope and severity rating for this tag will remain “D.”

Regarding Tag # 6L25

Determination: The IRF committee is upholding the original finding in the report of findings. You are required to complete the remainder of your Plan of Correction as previously indicated. Based on documentation supplied the Residential Interview and Case File Review Tool, the documents were requested from and signed by Joyce Zullo on 4/5/11 at 5:30 PM, and Estel Street on 4/5/11 at 4:30 PM and not received prior to the end of the home visit. The scope and severity rating will remain "E."

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

Thank you.  
Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Good', written over a horizontal line.

Scott Good  
Deputy Bureau Chief/QMB  
Informal Reconsideration of Finding Committee Chair