Dear Mr. Martinez and Ms. Lima;

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:**

**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 # 1A22 Agency Personnel Competency
- Tag # 1A25.1 Caregiver Criminal History Screening
- Tag # 1A08.2 Administrative Case File: Healthcare Requirements & Follow-Up
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 instruction 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 effect? (i.e. percentage of individuals reviewed, number of files reviewed, etc.)
- How often will this be completed? (i.e. weekly, monthly, quarterly, etc.)
- Who is responsible? (responsible position 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, Attention: Monica Valdez, Plan of Correction Coordinator
   5301 Central Ave NE Suite 400, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

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

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

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

Billing Deficiencies:

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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:

Attn: Lisa Medina-Lujan
HSD/OIG/Program Integrity Unit
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@state.nm.us)
OR
Jennifer Goble (Jennifer.goble2@state.nm.us)

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
5301 Central Ave NE Suite #400
Albuquerque, NM 87108
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 call the Plan of Correction Coordinator, Monica Valdez at 505-273-1930 if you have questions about the Report of Findings or Plan of Correction. Thank you for your cooperation and for the work you perform.

Sincerely,

Amanda Castañeda-Holguin, MPA
Amanda Castañeda-Holguin, MPA
Team Lead/Healthcare Surveyor Supervisor
Division of Health Improvement
Quality Management Bureau

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Survey Process Employed:

On-site Entrance Conference Date: November 12, 2019

Present:  
**All About Us, LLC**  
Paola Lima, SC / Chief Officer of Operation  
Leonard Martinez, DSP / SC / Chief Executive Officer

**DOH/DHI/QMB**  
Amanda Castañeda-Holguin, MPA, Team Lead / Healthcare Surveyor  
Supervisor  
Caitlin Wall, BSW, BA, Healthcare Surveyor

Exit Conference Date: November 13, 2019

Present:  
**All About Us, LLC**  
Paola Lima, SC / Chief Officer of Operation

**DOH/DHI/QMB**  
Amanda Castañeda-Holguin, MPA, Team Lead / Healthcare Surveyor  
Supervisor  
Caitlin Wall, BSW, BA, Healthcare Surveyor

**DDSD - Metro Regional Office**  
Marie Velasco, Social Community Service Coordinator

Administrative Locations Visited: 1

Total Sample Size: 3

0 - *Jackson* Class Members  
3 - *Non-Jackson* Class Members

1 - Family Living  
3 - Customized Community Supports

Total Homes Visited 1

Family Living Homes Visited 1

Persons Served Records Reviewed 3

Persons Served Interviewed 2

Persons Served Not Seen and/or Not Available 1

Direct Support Personnel Records Reviewed 3 (1 DSP also performs duty as Service Coordinator)

Direct Support Personnel Interviewed 3

Substitute Care/Respite Personnel Records Reviewed 1

Service Coordinator Records Reviewed 2 (1 Service Coordinator also performs duties as DSP)

Administrative Interviews 1
Administrative Processes and Records Reviewed:

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

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

If you have questions about the Plan of Correction process, call the Plan of Correction Coordinator at 505-273-1930 or email at MonicaE.Valdez@state.nm.us. Requests for technical assistance must be requested through your Regional DDSD Office.

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

Instructions for Completing Agency POC:

Required Content
Your Plan of Correction should provide a step-by-step description of the methods to correct each deficient practice 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 make 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 correction but should show reasonable time frames.

Initial Submission of the Plan of Correction Requirements
1. The Plan of Correction must be completed on the official QMB Survey Report of Findings/Plan of Correction Form and received by QMB within ten (10) business days from the date you received the report of findings.
2. For questions about the POC process, call the POC Coordinator, Monica Valdez at 505-273-1930 or email at MonicaE.Valdez@state.nm.us for assistance.
3. For Technical Assistance (TA) in developing or implementing your POC, contact your Regional DDSD Office.
4. Submit your POC to Monica Valdez, POC Coordinator in any of the following ways:
   a. Electronically at MonicaE.Valdez@state.nm.us (preferred method)
   b. Fax to 505-222-8661, or
   c. Mail to POC Coordinator, 5301 Central Ave NE Suite 400, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108
5. Do not submit supporting documentation (evidence of compliance) to QMB until after your POC has been approved by the QMB.
6. QMB will notify you when your POC has been "approved" or "denied."
   a. During this time, whether your POC is "approved," or "denied," you will have a maximum of 45-business days from the date of receipt of your Report of Findings to correct all survey deficiencies.
   b. If your POC is denied, it must be revised and resubmitted as soon as possible, as the 45-business day limit is in effect.
   c. If your POC is denied a second time your agency may be referred to the Internal Review Committee.
   d. You will receive written confirmation when your POC has been approved by QMB and a final deadline for completion of your POC.
   e. Please note that all POC correspondence will be sent electronically unless otherwise requested.
7. Failure to submit your POC within 10 business days without prior approval of an extension by QMB will result in a referral to the Internal Review Committee and the possible implementation of monetary penalties and/or sanctions.

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

1. Your internal documents are due within a maximum of 45-business days of receipt of your Report of Findings.
2. It is preferred that you submit your documents via USPS or other carrier (scanned and saved to CD/DVD disc, flash drive, etc.). If documents containing HIPAA Protected Health Information (PHI) documents must be submitted through S-Comm (Therap), Fax or Postal System, do not send PHI directly to NMDOH email accounts. If the documents do not contain protected Health information (PHI) then you may submit your documents electronically scanned and attached to e-mails.
3. All submitted documents must be annotated; please be sure the tag numbers and Identification numbers are indicated on each document submitted. Documents which are not annotated with the Tag number and Identification number may not be accepted.
4. Do not submit original documents; Please provide copies or scanned electronic files for evidence. Originals must be maintained in the agency file(s) per DDSD Standards.
5. In lieu of some documents, you may submit copies of file or home audit forms that clearly indicate cited deficiencies have been corrected, other attestations of correction must be approved by the Plan of Correction Coordinator prior to their submission.
6. When billing deficiencies are cited, you must provide documentation to justify billing and/or void and adjust forms submitted to Xerox State Healthcare, LLC for the deficiencies cited in the Report of Findings.

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

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

The Division of Health Improvement, Quality Management Bureau (QMB) surveys compliance of the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) standards and other state and federal regulations. For the purpose of the LCA / CI survey the CMS waiver assurances have been grouped into four (4) Service Domains: Plan of Care (ISP Implementation); 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 Living Care Arrangements and Community Inclusion are as follows:

Service Domain: Service Plan: ISP Implementation - Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.

  Potential Condition of Participation Level Tags, if compliance is below 85%:
  • 1A08.3 – Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan / ISP Components
  • 1A32 – Administrative Case File: Individual Service Plan Implementation
  • LS14 – Residential Service Delivery Site Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)
  • IS14 – CCS / CIES Service Delivery Site Case File (ISP and Healthcare Requirements)

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%:
  • 1A20 - Direct Support Personnel Training
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
- 1A09 – Medication Delivery Routine Medication Administration
- 1A09.1 – Medication Delivery PRN Medication Administration
- 1A15.2 – Administrative Case File: Healthcare Documentation (Therap and Required Plans)

Non-Negotiable Condition of Participation Level Tags (one or more Individuals are cited):
- 1A05 – General Requirements / Agency Policy and Procedure Requirements
- 1A07 – Social Security Income (SSI) Payments
- 1A09.2 – Medication Delivery Nurse Approval for PRN Medication
- 1A15 – Healthcare Coordination - Nurse Availability / Knowledge
- 1A31 – Client Rights/Human Rights
- LS25.1 – Residential Reqs. (Physical Environment - Supported Living / Family Living / Intensive Medical Living)
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:  https://nmhealth.org/about/dhi/cbp/irf/
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@state.nm.us for assistance.

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

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

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

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

|                          | Use 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. |

|                          | Use 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 in any tag. |

**“Partial Compliance with Standard Level tags”**

|                          | Use 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 in any tag. |

**“Partial Compliance with Standard Level tags and Condition of Participation Level Tags”**

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**“Compliance”**

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|                          | 17 or more Standard Level Tags with 50 to 74% of the individuals in the sample cited in any tag. |
### Standard of Care

**Deficiencies**

Based on record review, the Agency did not have evidence of their implementation of a meaningful day in daily schedules / individual calendar and progress notes for 3 of 3 Individuals.

Review of the individual case files found there is no individualized schedule that can be modified easily based on the individual needs, preferences and circumstances and that outline planned activities per day, week and month including date, time, location and cost of the activity:

**Calendar / Daily Calendar:**
- Not found (#1, 2, 3)

### Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party

**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?):

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**Tag # IS04 Community Life Engagement**

**Standard Level Deficiency**

**Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019**

**Chapter 11: Community Inclusion**

**11.1 General Scope and Intent of Services:**
Community Inclusion (CI) is the umbrella term used to describe services in this chapter. In general, CI refers to opportunities for people with I/DD to access and participate in activities and functions of community life. The DD waiver program offers Customized Community Supports (CCS), which refers to non-work activities and Community Integrated Employment (CIE) which refers to paid work experiences or activities to obtain paid work. CCS and CIE services are mandated to be provided in the community to the fullest extent possible.

**11.3 Implementation of a Meaningful Day:**
The objective of implementing a Meaningful Day is to plan and provide supports to implement the person’s definition of his/her own meaningful day, contained in the ISP. Implementation activities of the person’s meaningful day are documented in daily schedules and progress notes.

1. Meaningful Day includes:
   a. purposeful and meaningful work;
b. substantial and sustained opportunity for optimal health;
c. self-empowerment;
d. personalized relationships;
e. skill development and/or maintenance; and
f. social, educational, and community inclusion activities that are directly linked to the vision, Desired Outcomes and Action Plans stated in the person’s ISP.

2. Community Life Engagement (CLE) is also sometimes used to refer to “Meaningful Day” or “Adult Habilitation” activities. CLE refers to supporting people in their communities, in non-work activities. Examples of CLE activities may include participating in clubs, classes, or recreational activities in the community; learning new skills to become more independent; volunteering; or retirement activities. Meaningful Day activities should be developed with the four guideposts of CLE in mind. The four guideposts of CLE are:
   a. individualized supports for each person;
   b. promotion of community membership and contribution;
   c. use of human and social capital to decrease dependence on paid supports; and
   d. provision of supports that are outcome-oriented and regularly monitored.

3. The term “day” does not mean activities between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

4. Community Inclusion is not limited to specific hours or days of the week. These services may not be used to supplant the responsibility of the Living Supports Provider Agency for a person who receives both services.
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5. Each Provider Agency is responsible for maintaining the daily or other contact notes documenting the nature and frequency of service delivery, as well as data tracking only for the services provided by their agency.

6. The current Client File Matrix found in Appendix A Client File Matrix details the minimum requirements for records to be stored in agency office files, the delivery site, or with DSP while providing services in the community.

7. All records pertaining to JCMs must be retained permanently and must be made available to DDSD upon request, upon the termination or expiration of a provider agreement, or upon provider withdrawal from services.
### 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.

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#### Chapter 13: Nursing Services

13.2.11 Training and Implementation of Plans:

1. RNs and LPNs are required to provide Individual Specific Training (IST) regarding HCPS and MERPs.
2. The agency nurse is required to deliver and document training for DSP/DSS regarding the healthcare interventions/strategies and MERPs that the DSP are responsible to implement, clearly indicating level of competency achieved by each trainee as described in Chapter 17.10 Individual-Specific Training.

#### Chapter 17: Training Requirement

17.10 Individual-Specific Training: The following are elements of IST: defined standards of performance, curriculum tailored to teach skills and knowledge necessary to meet those standards of performance, and formal examination or demonstration to verify standards of performance, using the established DDSD training levels of awareness, knowledge, and skill.

Reaching an **awareness level** may be accomplished by reading plans or other information. The trainee is cognizant of information related to a person’s specific condition. Verbal or written recall of basic information or knowing where to access the information can verify awareness.

Reaching a **knowledge level** may take the form of observing a plan in action, reading a plan...
more thoroughly, or having a plan described by the author or their designee. Verbal or written recall or demonstration may verify this level of competence.

Reaching a **skill level** involves being trained by a therapist, nurse, designated or experienced designated trainer. The trainer shall demonstrate the techniques according to the plan. Then they observe and provide feedback to the trainee as they implement the techniques. This should be repeated until competence is demonstrated. Demonstration of skill or observed implementation of the techniques or strategies verifies skill level competence. Trainees should be observed on more than one occasion to ensure appropriate techniques are maintained and to provide additional coaching/feedback.

Individuals shall receive services from competent and qualified Provider Agency personnel who must successfully complete IST requirements in accordance with the specifications described in the ISP of each person supported.

1. IST must be arranged and conducted at least annually. IST includes training on the ISP Desired Outcomes, Action Plans, strategies, and information about the person’s preferences regarding privacy, communication style, and routines. More frequent training may be necessary if the annual ISP changes before the year ends.

2. IST for therapy-related WDSI, HCPs, MERPs, CARMPs, PBSA, PBSP, and BCIP, must occur at least annually and more often if plans change, or if monitoring by the plan author or agency finds incorrect implementation, when new DSP or CM are assigned to work with a person, or when an existing DSP or CM requires a refresher.

3. The competency level of the training is based on the IST section of the ISP.
4. The person should be present for and involved in IST whenever possible.
5. Provider Agencies are responsible for tracking IST requirements.
6. Provider Agencies must arrange and ensure that DSP’s are trained on the contents of the IST in accordance with timelines indicated in the Individual-Specific Training Requirements: Support Plans section of the ISP and notify the plan authors when new DSP are hired to arrange for trainings.
7. If a therapist, BSC, nurse, or other author of a plan, healthcare or otherwise, chooses to designate a trainer, that person is still responsible for providing the curriculum to the designated trainer. The author of the plan is also responsible for ensuring the designated trainer is verifying competency in alignment with their curriculum, doing periodic quality assurance checks with their designated trainer, and re-certifying the designated trainer at least annually and/or when there is a change to a person’s plan.
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<td>A. General: The responsibility for compliance with the requirements of the act applies to both the care provider and to all applicants, caregivers and hospital caregivers. All applicants for employment to whom an offer of employment is made or caregivers and hospital caregivers employed by or contracted to a care provider must consent to a nationwide and statewide criminal history screening, as described in Subsections D, E and F of this section, upon offer of employment or at the time of entering into a contractual relationship with the care provider. Care providers shall submit all fees and pertinent application information for all applicants, caregivers or hospital caregivers as described in Subsections D, E and F of this section. Pursuant to Section 29-17-5 NMSA 1978 (Amended) of the act, a care provider’s failure to comply is grounds for the state agency having enforcement authority with respect to the care provider to impose appropriate administrative sanctions and penalties.</td>
<td>Based on record review, the Agency did not maintain documentation indicating Caregiver Criminal History Screening was completed as required for 5 of 5 Agency Personnel.</td>
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<td>The following Agency Personnel Files contained no evidence of Caregiver Criminal History Screenings:</td>
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<td>Direct Support Personnel (DSP):</td>
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C. **Conditional Employment:** Applicants, caregivers, and hospital caregivers who have submitted all completed documents and paid all applicable fees for a nationwide and statewide criminal history screening may be deemed to have conditional supervised employment pending receipt of written notice given by the department as to whether the applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver has a disqualifying conviction.

F. **Timely Submission:** Care providers shall submit all fees and pertinent application information for all individuals who meet the definition of an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver as described in Subsections B, D and K of 7.1.9.7 NMAC, no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the first day of employment or effective date of a contractual relationship with the care provider.

G. **Maintenance of Records:** Care providers shall maintain documentation relating to all employees and contractors evidencing compliance with the act and these rules.

1. During the term of employment, care providers shall maintain evidence of each applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver’s clearance, pending reconsideration, or disqualification.

2. Care providers shall maintain documented evidence showing the basis for any determination by the care provider that an employee or contractor performs job functions that do not fall within the scope of the requirement for nationwide or statewide criminal history screening. A memorandum in an employee’s file stating “This employee does not provide direct care or have routine unsupervised physical or financial access to care recipients served by [name of care provider],” together with the employee’s job description, shall suffice for record keeping purposes.
NMAC 7.1.9.9 CAREGIVERS OR HOSPITAL CAREGIVERS AND APPLICANTS WITH DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS:
A. Prohibition on Employment: A care provider shall not hire or continue the employment or contractual services of any applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver for whom the care provider has received notice of a disqualifying conviction, except as provided in Subsection B of this section.

NMAC 7.1.9.11 DISQUALIFYING CONVICTIONS. The following felony convictions disqualify an applicant, caregiver or hospital caregiver from employment or contractual services with a care provider:
A. homicide;
B. trafficking, or trafficking in controlled substances;
C. kidnapping, false imprisonment, aggravated assault or aggravated battery;
D. rape, criminal sexual penetration, criminal sexual contact, incest, indecent exposure, or other related felony sexual offenses;
E. crimes involving adult abuse, neglect or financial exploitation;
F. crimes involving child abuse or neglect;
G. crimes involving robbery, larceny, extortion, burglary, fraud, forgery, embezzlement, credit card fraud, or receiving stolen property; or
H. an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy involving any of the felonies in this subsection.
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<td><strong>Service Domain: Health and Welfare</strong> – 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.</td>
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**Tag # 1A08.2 Administrative Case File: Healthcare Requirements & Follow-up**

**Condition of Participation Level Deficiency**

- **Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019**

**Chapter 3 Safeguards: 3.1.1 Decision Consultation Process (DCP):** Health decisions are the sole domain of waiver participants, their guardians or healthcare decision makers. Participants and their healthcare decision makers can confidently make decisions that are compatible with their personal and cultural values. Provider Agencies are required to support the informed decision making of waiver participants by supporting access to medical consultation, information, and other available resources according to the following:

1. The DCP is used when a person or his/her guardian/healthcare decision maker has concerns, needs more information about health-related issues, or has decided not to follow all or part of an order, recommendation, or suggestion. This includes, but is not limited to:
   - medical orders or recommendations from the Primary Care Practitioner, Specialists or other licensed medical or healthcare practitioners such as a Nurse Practitioner (NP or CNP), Physician Assistant (PA) or Dentist;
   - clinical recommendations made by registered/licensed clinicians who are either members of the IDT or clinicians who have performed an evaluation such as a video-fluoroscopy;
   - health related recommendations or suggestions from oversight activities such as the Individual Quality Review (IQR) or

- 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 provide documentation of annual physical examinations and/or other examinations as specified by a licensed physician for 1 of 3 individuals receiving Living Care Arrangements and Community Inclusion.

- Review of the administrative individual case files revealed the following items were not found, incomplete, and/or not current:

  **Living Care Arrangements / Community Inclusion (Individuals Receiving Multiple Services):**

  **Annual Physical:**
  - Not Linked / Attached in Therap (#1) (Note: Linked / attached in Therap during the on-site survey. Provider please complete POC for ongoing QA/QI.)

  **Provider:**
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other DOH review or oversight activities; and

d. recommendations made through a Healthcare Plan (HCP), including a Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan (CARMP), or another plan.

2. When the person/guardian disagrees with a recommendation or does not agree with the implementation of that recommendation, Provider Agencies follow the DCP and attend the meeting coordinated by the CM. During this meeting:
   a. Providers inform the person/guardian of the rationale for that recommendation, so that the benefit is made clear. This will be done in layman’s terms and will include basic sharing of information designed to assist the person/guardian with understanding the risks and benefits of the recommendation.
   b. The information will be focused on the specific area of concern by the person/guardian. Alternatives should be presented, when available, if the guardian is interested in considering other options for implementation.
   c. Providers support the person/guardian to make an informed decision.
   d. The decision made by the person/guardian during the meeting is accepted; plans are modified; and the IDT honors this health decision in every setting.

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20.5.3 Health Passport and Physician Consultation Form: All Primary and Secondary Provider Agencies must use the Health Passport and Physician Consultation form from the Therap system. This standardized document contains individual, physician and emergency contact information, a complete list of current medical diagnoses, health and safety risk factors, allergies, and information regarding insurance, guardianship, and advance directives. The Health Passport also includes a standardized form to use at medical appointments called the Physician Consultation form. The Physician Consultation form contains a list of all current medications.

Chapter 10: Living Care Arrangements (LCA) Living Supports-Supported Living: 10.3.9.6.1 Monitoring and Supervision

4. Ensure and document the following:
   a. The person has a Primary Care Practitioner.
   b. The person receives an annual physical examination and other examinations as recommended by a Primary Care Practitioner or specialist.
   c. The person receives annual dental check-ups and other check-ups as recommended by a licensed dentist.
   d. The person receives a hearing test as recommended by a licensed audiologist.
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<td>e. The person receives eye examinations as recommended by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist.</td>
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<td>5. Agency activities occur as required for follow-up activities to medical appointments (e.g. treatment, visits to specialists, and changes in medication or daily routine).</td>
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### 10.3.10.1 Living Care Arrangements (LCA) Living Supports-IMLS: 10.3.10.2 General Requirements:

9. Medical services must be ensured (i.e., ensure each person has a licensed Primary Care Practitioner and receives an annual physical examination, specialty medical care as needed, and annual dental checkup by a licensed dentist).

### Chapter 13 Nursing Services: 13.2.3 General Requirements:

1. Each person has a licensed primary care practitioner and receives an annual physical examination and specialty medical/dental care as needed. Nurses communicate with these providers to share current health information.
### Tag # 1A03 Continuous Quality Improvement System & Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

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Based on record review and interview, the Agency did not maintain or implement a Quality Improvement System (QIS), as required by standards.

Review of the Agency’s Quality Improvement Plan provided during the on-site survey did not address the following as required by Standards:

**The Agency’s QI Plan did not address on or more of the following KPI applies to the following provider types:**

1. % of appointments attended as recommended by medical professionals (physician, nurse practitioner or specialist).

2. % of people accessing Customized Community Supports in a non-disability specific setting.

When #504 was asked if the Agency had a Quality Improvement Committee:
- #504 stated, “We have not had our first meeting.”

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**Chapter 22: Quality Improvement Strategy (QIS):** A QIS at the provider level is directly linked to the organization’s service delivery approach or underlying provision of services. To achieve a higher level of performance and improve quality, an organization is required to have an efficient and effective QIS. The QIS is required to follow four key principles:

1. quality improvement work in systems and processes;
2. focus on participants;
3. focus on being part of the team; and
4. focus on use of the data.

As part of a QIS, Provider Agencies are required to evaluate their performance based on the four key principles outlined above. Provider Agencies are required to identify areas of improvement, issues that impact quality of services, and areas of non-compliance with the DD Waiver Service Standards or any other program requirements. The findings should help inform the agency’s QI plan.

**22.2 QI Plan and Key Performance Indicators (KPI):** Findings from a discovery process should result in a QI plan. The QI plan is used by an agency to continually determine whether the agency is performing within program requirements, achieving goals, and identifying opportunities for improvement. The QI plan describes the processes that the Provider Agency uses in each phase of the QIS: discovery, remediation, and sustained improvement. It describes the frequency of data collection and analysis.
collection, the source and types of data gathered, as well as the methods used to analyze data and measure performance. The QI plan must describe how the data collected will be used to improve the delivery of services and must describe the methods used to evaluate whether implementation of improvements is working. The QI plan shall address, at minimum, three key performance indicators (KPI). The KPI are determined by DOH-DDSQI) on an annual basis or as determined necessary.

### 22.3 Implementing a QI Committee:

A QI committee must convene on at least a quarterly basis and more frequently if needed. The QI Committee convenes to review data; to identify any deficiencies, trends, patterns, or concerns; to remedy deficiencies; and to identify opportunities for QI. QI Committee meetings must be documented and include a review of at least the following:

1. Activities or processes related to discovery, i.e., monitoring and recording the findings;
2. The entities or individuals responsible for conducting the discovery/monitoring process;
3. The types of information used to measure performance;
4. The frequency with which performance is measured; and
5. The activities implemented to improve performance.

### 22.4 Preparation of an Annual Report:

The Provider Agency must complete an annual report based on the quality assurance (QA) activities and the QI Plan that the agency has implemented during the year. The annual report shall:

1. Be submitted to the DDSD PEU by February 15th of each calendar year.
2. Be kept on file at the agency, and made available to DOH, including DHI upon
3. Address the Provider Agency’s QA or compliance with at least the following:
   a. compliance with DDSD Training Requirements;
   b. compliance with reporting requirements, including reporting of ANE;
   c. timely submission of documentation for budget development and approval;
   d. presence and completeness of required documentation;
   e. compliance with CCHS, EAR, and Licensing requirements as applicable; and
   f. a summary of all corrective plans implemented over the last 24 months, demonstrating closure with any deficiencies or findings as well as ongoing compliance and sustainability. Corrective plans include but are not limited to:
      i. IQR findings;
      ii. CPA Plans related to ANE reporting;
      iii. POCs related to QMB compliance surveys; and
      iv. PIPs related to Regional Office Contract Management.

4. Address the Provider Agency QI with at least the following:
   a. data analysis related to the DDSD required KPI; and
   b. the five elements required to be discussed by the QI committee each quarter.

**NMAC 7.1.14.8 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROVIDERS:**
F. Quality assurance/quality improvement program for community-based service
providers: The community-based service provider shall establish and implement a quality improvement program for reviewing alleged complaints and incidents of abuse, neglect, or exploitation against them as a provider after the division's investigation is complete. The incident management program shall include written documentation of corrective actions taken. The community-based service provider shall take all reasonable steps to prevent further incidents. The community-based service provider shall provide the following internal monitoring and facilitating quality improvement program:

1. community-based service providers shall have current abuse, neglect, and exploitation management policy and procedures in place that comply with the department's requirements;
2. community-based service providers providing intellectual and developmental disabilities services must have a designated incident management coordinator in place; and
3. community-based service providers providing intellectual and developmental disabilities services must have an incident management committee to identify any deficiencies, trends, patterns, or concerns as well as opportunities for quality improvement, address internal and external incident reports for the purpose of examining internal root causes, and to take action on identified issues.
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**Chapter 16: Qualified Provider Agencies**  
Qualified DD Waiver Provider Agencies must deliver DD Waiver services. DD Waiver Provider Agencies must have a current Provider Agreement and continually meet required screening, licensure, accreditation, and training requirements as well as continually adhere to the DD Waiver Service Standards. All Provider Agencies must comply with contract management activities to include any type of quality assurance review and/or compliance review completed by DDSD, the Division of Health Improvement (DHI) or other state agencies.  
NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION: Provider Application  
• Emergency and on-call procedures;  
• On-call nursing services that specifically state the nurse must be available to DSP during periods when a nurse is not present. The on-call nurse must be available to make an on-site visit when information provided by the DSP over the phone indicate, in the nurse’s professional judgment, a need for a face to face assessment to determine appropriate action;  
• Incident Management Procedures that comply with the current NM Department of Health Improvement Incident Management Guide  
Note: The agency’s Reporting Abuse, Neglect, Exploitation Policy and Procedure stated Manager will “Assure notification of APS (adults) or CYFD (minors)…”  
| 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 develop, implement and / or comply with written policies and procedures to protect the physical/mental health of individuals that complies with all DDSD requirements.  
**Review of Agency policies & procedures found no evidence of the following:**  
• Incident Management Procedures that comply with the current NM Department of Health Improvement Incident Management Guide  
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|
- Policies and procedures regarding the safe transportation of individuals in the community and how you will comply with the New Mexico regulations governing the operation of motor vehicles

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION PROVIDER AGREEMENT: ARTICLE 39. POLICIES AND REGULATIONS**

Provider Agreements and amendments reference and incorporate laws, regulations, policies, procedures, directives, and contract provisions not only of DOH, but of HSD. Additionally, the PROVIDER agrees to abide by all the following, whenever relevant to the delivery of services specified under this Provider Agreement:

- a. DD Waiver Service Standards and MF Waiver Service Standards.
- b. DEPARTMENT/DDSD Accreditation Mandate Policies.
- e. Rights of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities living in the Community, 7.26.3 NMAC.
- f. Service Plans for Individuals with Developmental Disability Community Programs, 7.26.5 NMAC.
- g. Requirement for Developmental Disability Community Programs, 7.26.6 NMAC.
- h. DEPARTMENT Client Complaint Procedures, 7.26.4 NMAC.
- i. Individual Transition Planning Process, 7.26.7 NMAC.
- j. Dispute Resolution Process, 7.26.8 NMAC.
| k. DEPARTMENT/DDSD Training Policies and Procedures. |
| m. New Mexico Nursing Practice Act and New Mexico Board of Nursing requirements governing certified medication aides and administration of medications, 16.12.5 NMAC. |
| n. Incident Reporting and Investigation Requirements for Providers of Community Based Services, 7.14.3 NMAC, and DHI/DEPARTMENT Incident Management System Policies and Procedures. |
| o. DHI/DEPARTMENT Statewide Mortality Review Policy and Procedures. |
| p. Caregivers Criminal History Screening Requirements, 7.1.9 NMAC. |
| q. Quality Management System and Review Requirements for Providers of Community Based Services, 7.1.13 NMAC. |
| r. All Medicaid Regulations of the Medical Assistance Division of the HS D. |
| s. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). |
| t. DEPARTMENT Sanctions Policy. |
| u. All other regulations, standards, policies and procedures, guidelines and interpretive memoranda of the DDSD and the DHI of the DEPARTMENT. |

**Chapter 18 Incident Management: 18.1 Training on Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation (ANE) Recognition and Reporting:** All employees, contractors, and volunteers shall be trained on the in-person 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. Provider Agencies are responsible for ensuring the training requirements outlined below are met.

1. DDSD ANE On-line Refresher
2. Training shall be conducted in a language that is understood by the employee, subcontractor, or volunteer.
3. Training must be conducted by a DOH certified trainer and in accordance with the Train the Trainer curriculum provided by the DOH.
4. Documentation of an employee, subcontractor or volunteer's training must be maintained for a period of at least three years, or six months after termination of an employee's employment or the volunteer’s work.

NMAC 7.1.14.9 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS:
**A. General:** All community-based service providers shall establish and maintain an incident management system, which emphasizes the principles of prevention and staff involvement. The community-based service provider shall ensure that the incident management system policies and procedures requires all employees and volunteers to be competently trained to respond to, report, and preserve evidence related to incidents in a timely and accurate manner.

**B. Training curriculum:** Prior to an employee or volunteer's initial work with the community-based service provider, all employees and volunteers shall be trained on an applicable written training curriculum including incident policies and procedures for identification, and timely reporting of abuse, neglect, exploitation, suspicious injury, and all deaths as required in Subsection A of 7.1.14.8 NMAC. The trainings shall be reviewed at annual, not to exceed 12-month intervals. The training curriculum as set forth in Subsection C of
7.1.14.9 NMAC may include computer-based training. Periodic reviews shall include, at a minimum, review of the written training curriculum and site-specific issues pertaining to the community-based service provider’s facility. Training shall be conducted in a language that is understood by the employee or volunteer.

D. Training documentation: All community-based service providers shall prepare training documentation for each employee and volunteer to include a signed statement indicating the date, time, and place they received their incident management reporting instruction. The community-based service provider shall maintain documentation of an employee or volunteer’s training for a period of at least three years, or six months after termination of an employee’s employment or the volunteer’s work. Training curricula shall be kept on the provider premises and made available upon request by the department. Training documentation shall be made available immediately upon a division representative’s request. Failure to provide employee and volunteer training documentation shall subject the community-based service provider to the penalties provided for in this rule.

NMAC 7.1.14.8 INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROVIDERS: F. Quality assurance/quality improvement program for community-based service providers: The community-based service provider shall establish and implement a quality improvement program for reviewing alleged complaints and incidents of abuse, neglect, or exploitation against them as a provider after the division’s investigation is complete. The incident management program shall include written documentation of corrective actions taken.
The community-based service provider shall take all reasonable steps to prevent further incidents. The community-based service provider shall provide the following internal monitoring and facilitating quality improvement program:

1. Community-based service providers shall have current abuse, neglect, and exploitation management policy and procedures in place that comply with the department's requirements;

2. Community-based service providers providing intellectual and developmental disabilities services must have a designated incident management coordinator in place; and

3. Community-based service providers providing intellectual and developmental disabilities services must have an incident management committee to identify any deficiencies, trends, patterns, or concerns as well as opportunities for quality improvement, address internal and external incident reports for the purpose of examining internal root causes, and to take action on identified issues.
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<th>Tag # 1A15 Healthcare Coordination - Nurse Availability / Knowledge</th>
<th>Condition of Participation Level Deficiency</th>
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<td>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019</td>
<td>After an analysis of the evidence it has been determined there is a significant potential for a negative outcome to occur.</td>
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| 10.3.2 Nursing Supports: Annual nursing assessments are required for all people receiving any of the Livings Supports (Supported Living, Family Living, IMLS). Nursing assessments are required to determine the appropriate level of nursing and other supports needed within the Living Supports. Funding for nursing services is already bundled into the Supported Living and IMLS reimbursement rates. In Family Living, nursing supports must be accessed separately by requesting units for Adult Nursing Services (ANS) on the budget. | Based on interviews, the Agency was unaware of the processes required by DDW Standards. The following was reported: When DSP were asked, if there was a nurse available to the individual and can you call the nurse if needed, the following was reported:  
• DSP #500 stated, "...in this company, we just call the mom or if something bad, call 911." |  |
| 10.3.3 Nursing Staffing and On-call Nursing: A Registered Nurse (RN) licensed by the State of New Mexico must be an employee or a subcontractor of Provider Agencies of Living Supports. An LPN may not provide service without an RN supervisor. The RN must provide face-to-face supervision of LPNs, CNAs and DSP who have been delegated nursing tasks as required by the New Mexico Nurse Practice Act and these service standards. Living Supports Provider Agencies must assure on-call nursing coverage according to requirements detailed in Chapter 13.2.13 Monitoring, Oversight, and On-Call Nursing. | When Agency’s RN was asked what is the minimum, face-to-face home visits you are required to conduct based on the individual’s e-CHAT acuity level, the following was reported:  
• RN #503 stated, “Monthly” for Jackson Class Members." Per the DDW Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019, nurses are required to visit according to the combination of the person’s e-CHAT Acuity level and the Aspiration Risk level. |  |

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Supported Living, Intensive Medical Living Services (IMLS), Customized Community Supports Group (CCS-G) or separately budgeted through Adult Nursing Services (ANS). Refer to the Chapter 10: Living Care Arrangements (LCA) for provider agency responsibilities related to nursing.

13.2.1 **Licensing and Supervision:**
1. All DD Waiver Nursing services must be provided by a Registered Nurse (RN) or licensed practical nurse (LPN) with a current New Mexico license in good standing.
2. Nurses must comply with all aspects of the New Mexico Nursing Practice Act including:
   a. An RN must provide face-to-face supervision and oversight for LPNs, Certified Medication Aides (CMAs) and DSP who have been delegated specific nursing tasks.
   b. An LPN or CMA may not work without the routine oversight of an RN.

13.3.2 **Scope of Ongoing Adult Nursing Services (OANS):** Ongoing Adult Nursing Services (OANS) are an array of services that are available to young adult and adults who require supports for specific chronic or acute health conditions. OANS may only begin after the Nursing Assessment and Consultation has been completed.
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<td>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Ef 1/1/2019</td>
<td>Based on interview, the Agency did not ensure the correct composition of the human rights committee.</td>
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<td><strong>3.3 Human Rights Committee:</strong> Human Rights Committees (HRC) exist to protect the rights and freedoms of all waiver participants through the review of proposed restrictions to a person’s rights based on a documented health and safety concern. HRCs monitor the implementation of certain time-limited restrictive interventions designed to protect a waiver participant and/or the community from harm. An HRC may also serve other functions as appropriate, such as the review of agency policies on sexuality if desired. HRCs are required for all Living Supports (Supported Living, Family Living, Intensive Medical Living Services), Customized Community Supports (CCS) and Community Integrated Employment (CIE) Provider Agencies.</td>
<td>When asked if the Agency had an HRC committee, the following was reported:</td>
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<td>1. HRC membership must include:</td>
<td>• #504 stated, “We don’t have one yet.”</td>
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<td>a. at least one member with a diagnosis of I/DD;</td>
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<td>b. a parent or guardian of a person with I/DD; or</td>
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<td>c. a member from the community at large that is not associated with DD Waiver services.</td>
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<td>2. Although not required, members from the health services professions (e.g., a physician or nurse), and those who represent the ethnic and cultural diversity of the community are highly encouraged.</td>
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<td>3. Committee members must abide by HIPAA.</td>
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<td>4. All committee members will receive training on human rights, HRC requirements, and other pertinent DD Waiver Service Standards prior to their voting participation on the HRC.</td>
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committee member trained by the
Bureau of Behavioral Supports (BBS)
may conduct training for other HRC
members, with prior approval from BBS.
5. HRCs will appoint an HRC chair. Each
committee chair shall be appointed to a
two-year term. Each chair may serve only
two consecutive two-year terms at a time.
6. While agencies may have an intra-agency
HRC, meeting the HRC requirement by
being a part of an interagency committee is
also highly encouraged.
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<td>Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019</td>
<td>Based on record review, the Agency did not ensure that each individuals' residence met all requirements within the standard for 1 of 1 Living Care Arrangement residences.</td>
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<td>Chapter 10: Living Care Arrangements (LCA) 10.3.6 Requirements for Each Residence: Provider Agencies must assure that each residence is clean, safe, and comfortable, and each residence accommodates individual daily living, social and leisure activities. In addition, the Provider Agency must ensure the residence:</td>
<td>Review of the residential records and observation of the residence revealed the following items were not found, not functioning or incomplete:</td>
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<td>1. has basic utilities, i.e., gas, power, water, and telephone;</td>
<td><strong>Family Living Requirements:</strong></td>
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<td>2. has a battery operated or electric smoke detectors or a sprinkler system, carbon monoxide detectors, and fire extinguisher;</td>
<td>• Emergency evacuation procedures that address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding (#1)</td>
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<td>3. has a general-purpose first aid kit;</td>
<td>• Emergency placement plan for relocation of people in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy (#1)</td>
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<td>4. has accessible written documentation of evacuation drills occurring at least three times a year overall, one time a year for each shift;</td>
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<td>5. has water temperature that does not exceed a safe temperature (110°F);</td>
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<td>6. has safe storage of all medications with dispensing instructions for each person that are consistent with the Assistance with Medication (AWMD) training or each person's ISP;</td>
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<td>7. has an emergency placement plan for relocation of people in the event of an emergency evacuation that makes the residence unsuitable for occupancy;</td>
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<td>8. has emergency evacuation procedures that address, but are not limited to, fire, chemical and/or hazardous waste spills, and flooding;</td>
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<td>9. supports environmental modifications and assistive technology devices, including modifications to the bathroom (i.e., shower chairs, grab bars, walk in shower, raised toilets, etc.) based on the unique needs of the</td>
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individual in consultation with the IDT;
10. has or arranges for necessary equipment for bathing and transfers to support health and safety with consultation from therapists as needed;
11. has the phone number for poison control within line of site of the telephone;
12. has general household appliances, and kitchen and dining utensils;
13. has proper food storage and cleaning supplies;
14. has adequate food for three meals a day and individual preferences; and
15. has at least two bathrooms for residences with more than two residents.
| 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. |
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| Tag # IS30 Customized Community Supports Reimbursement | Standard Level Deficiency | Agency Plan of Correction, On-going QA/QI and Responsible Party | Date Due |
| Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Service Standards 2/26/2018; Re-Issue: 12/28/2018; Eff 1/1/2019 | Based on record review, the Agency did not provide written or electronic documentation as evidence for each unit billed for Customized Community Supports for 2 of 3 individuals. Individual #2 August 2019 • The Agency billed 40 units of Customized Community Supports (Individual) (H20201 HB U1) from 8/28/2019 through 8/29/2019. Documentation received accounted for 32 units. Individual #3 July 2019 • The Agency billed 120 units of Customized Community Supports (Individual) (H20201 HB U1) from 7/15/2019 through 7/19/2019. Documentation received accounted for 116 units. | 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?): → | |
| Chapter 21: Billing Requirements: 21.4 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 h. the nature of services. 3. 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. 4. A Provider Agency that receives payment for treatment, services or goods must retain all | 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?): → | |

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medical and business records relating to any of the following for a period of at least six years from the payment date:
   a. treatment or care of any eligible recipient;
   b. services or goods provided to any eligible recipient;
   c. amounts paid by MAD on behalf of any eligible recipient; and
   d. any records required by MAD for the administration of Medicaid.

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.

21.9.1 Requirements for Daily Units: For services billed in daily units, Provider Agencies must adhere to the following:
1. A day is considered 24 hours from midnight to midnight.
2. If 12 or fewer hours of service are provided, then one-half unit shall be billed. A whole unit can be billed if more than 12 hours of service is provided during a 24-hour period.
3. The maximum allowable billable units cannot exceed 340 calendar days per ISP year or 170 calendar days per six months.
4. When a person transitions from one Provider Agency to another during the ISP year, a standard formula to calculate the units billed by each Provider Agency must be applied as follows:
   a. The discharging Provider Agency bills the number of calendar days that services were provided multiplied by .93 (93%).
   b. The receiving Provider Agency bills the
remaining days up to 340 for the ISP year.

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. At least one hour of face-to-face billable services shall be provided during a calendar month where any portion of a monthly unit is billed.
3. Monthly units can be prorated by a half unit.
4. Agency transfers not occurring at the beginning of the 30-day interval are required to be coordinated in the middle of the 30-day interval so that the discharging and receiving agency receive a half unit.

21.9.3 Requirements for 15-minute and hourly units: For services billed in 15-minute or hourly intervals, Provider Agencies must adhere to the following:
1. When time spent providing the service is not exactly 15 minutes or one hour, Provider Agencies are responsible for reporting time correctly following NMAC 8.302.2.
2. Services that last in their entirety less than eight minutes cannot be billed.
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Service Surveyed: 2018: Family Living and Customized Community Supports
Survey Type: Initial

Dear Mr. Martinez and Ms. Lima:

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,

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