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V 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>An annual survey was completed on 2/5/20. Deficiencies were cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G .2300 Adult Developmental Vocational Program.</p>	V 000		
V 536	<p>27E .0107 Client Rights - Training on Alt to Rest. Int.</p> <p>10A NCAC 27E .0107 TRAINING ON ALTERNATIVES TO RESTRICTIVE INTERVENTIONS</p> <p>(a) Facilities shall implement policies and practices that emphasize the use of alternatives to restrictive interventions.</p> <p>(b) Prior to providing services to people with disabilities, staff including service providers, employees, students or volunteers, shall demonstrate competence by successfully completing training in communication skills and other strategies for creating an environment in which the likelihood of imminent danger of abuse or injury to a person with disabilities or others or property damage is prevented.</p> <p>(c) Provider agencies shall establish training based on state competencies, monitor for internal compliance and demonstrate they acted on data gathered.</p> <p>(d) The training shall be competency-based, include measurable learning objectives, measurable testing (written and by observation of behavior) on those objectives and measurable methods to determine passing or failing the course.</p> <p>(e) Formal refresher training must be completed by each service provider periodically (minimum annually).</p> <p>(f) Content of the training that the service</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>provider wishes to employ must be approved by the Division of MH/DD/SAS pursuant to Paragraph (g) of this Rule.</p> <p>(g) Staff shall demonstrate competence in the following core areas:</p> <p>(1) knowledge and understanding of the people being served;</p> <p>(2) recognizing and interpreting human behavior;</p> <p>(3) recognizing the effect of internal and external stressors that may affect people with disabilities;</p> <p>(4) strategies for building positive relationships with persons with disabilities;</p> <p>(5) recognizing cultural, environmental and organizational factors that may affect people with disabilities;</p> <p>(6) recognizing the importance of and assisting in the person's involvement in making decisions about their life;</p> <p>(7) skills in assessing individual risk for escalating behavior;</p> <p>(8) communication strategies for defusing and de-escalating potentially dangerous behavior; and</p> <p>(9) positive behavioral supports (providing means for people with disabilities to choose activities which directly oppose or replace behaviors which are unsafe).</p> <p>(h) Service providers shall maintain documentation of initial and refresher training for at least three years.</p> <p>(1) Documentation shall include:</p> <p>(A) who participated in the training and the outcomes (pass/fail);</p> <p>(B) when and where they attended; and</p> <p>(C) instructor's name;</p> <p>(2) The Division of MH/DD/SAS may review/request this documentation at any time.</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>(i) Instructor Qualifications and Training Requirements:</p> <p>(1) Trainers shall demonstrate competence by scoring 100% on testing in a training program aimed at preventing, reducing and eliminating the need for restrictive interventions.</p> <p>(2) Trainers shall demonstrate competence by scoring a passing grade on testing in an instructor training program.</p> <p>(3) The training shall be competency-based, include measurable learning objectives, measurable testing (written and by observation of behavior) on those objectives and measurable methods to determine passing or failing the course.</p> <p>(4) The content of the instructor training the service provider plans to employ shall be approved by the Division of MH/DD/SAS pursuant to Subparagraph (i)(5) of this Rule.</p> <p>(5) Acceptable instructor training programs shall include but are not limited to presentation of:</p> <p>(A) understanding the adult learner;</p> <p>(B) methods for teaching content of the course;</p> <p>(C) methods for evaluating trainee performance; and</p> <p>(D) documentation procedures.</p> <p>(6) Trainers shall have coached experience teaching a training program aimed at preventing, reducing and eliminating the need for restrictive interventions at least one time, with positive review by the coach.</p> <p>(7) Trainers shall teach a training program aimed at preventing, reducing and eliminating the need for restrictive interventions at least once annually.</p> <p>(8) Trainers shall complete a refresher instructor training at least every two years.</p> <p>(j) Service providers shall maintain</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>documentation of initial and refresher instructor training for at least three years.</p> <p>(1) Documentation shall include:</p> <p>(A) who participated in the training and the outcomes (pass/fail);</p> <p>(B) when and where attended; and</p> <p>(C) instructor's name.</p> <p>(2) The Division of MH/DD/SAS may request and review this documentation any time.</p> <p>(k) Qualifications of Coaches:</p> <p>(1) Coaches shall meet all preparation requirements as a trainer.</p> <p>(2) Coaches shall teach at least three times the course which is being coached.</p> <p>(3) Coaches shall demonstrate competence by completion of coaching or train-the-trainer instruction.</p> <p>(l) Documentation shall be the same preparation as for trainers.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on records review and interviews, the facility failed to ensure the content of the training in Alternatives to Restrictive Interventions was approved by the Division of MH/DD/SAS and failed to ensure formal refresher training was completed by each staff at least annually for 4 of 4 staff (#1, #2, #3 and #4). The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 2/5/20 of personnel records revealed the following: -staff #1 was hired on 7/31/14 with the job title of Direct Support Professional (DSP) and completed training in Minimal Intrusive Intervention</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>Techniques (MIIT) on 9/12/19; -staff #2 was hired on 10/8/18 with the job title of DSP and completed training in MIIT on 10/3/19; -staff #3 was hired on 3/20/06 with the job title of DSP and completed training in MIIT on 1/3/20; -staff #4 was hired on 3/20/06 with the job title of DSP and completed training in MIIT on 1/11/19, no documentation of updated completed training in MIIT present in the record.</p> <p>Review on 2/5/20 of the Division of MH/DD/SAS list of "Approved Curricula for the Use of De-escalation Strategies and Restrictive Interventions" revealed Minimal Intrusive Intervention Techniques (MIIT) was not listed.</p> <p>Interview on 2/5/20 with the Executive Director revealed: -started as the Chief Operating Officer in 1/2018; -started as Chief Executive Officer(CEO) in 4/2019; -the prior CEO had submitted the curriculum for MIIT and received notification from the Division of MH/DD/SAS the curriculum for MIIT was approved; -has a copy of the letter from the Division of MH/DD/SAS; -was not aware of any notification or letter to re-submit MIIT for approval in the year 2017; -was under the impression MIIT was approved based on letter from 2002; -the local LME(Local Management Entity) did not mention any issues regarding MIIT during their audit in 2018.</p> <p>Review on 2/5/20 of a letter dated 7/5/02 from the Division of MH/DD/SAS signed by the "Communication ands Training Section" staff revealed the following documented: -"Subject: Curriculum on Prevention and</p>	V 536		

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V 536	Continued From page 5 Alternatives to Restrictive Interventions, Seclusion, Restraint, Isolation, Time Out Review;" -"The Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services' Curriculum Review Committee has reviewed your curriculum;" -"Your curriculum for the following has been approved: Prevention and Alternatives to Restrictive Interventions...Use of Physical Restraints."	V 536		
V 537	27E .0108 Client Rights - Training in Sec Rest & ITO 10A NCAC 27E .0108 TRAINING IN SECLUSION, PHYSICAL RESTRAINT AND ISOLATION TIME-OUT (a) Seclusion, physical restraint and isolation time-out may be employed only by staff who have been trained and have demonstrated competence in the proper use of and alternatives to these procedures. Facilities shall ensure that staff authorized to employ and terminate these procedures are retrained and have demonstrated competence at least annually. (b) Prior to providing direct care to people with disabilities whose treatment/habilitation plan includes restrictive interventions, staff including service providers, employees, students or volunteers shall complete training in the use of seclusion, physical restraint and isolation time-out and shall not use these interventions until the training is completed and competence is demonstrated. (c) A pre-requisite for taking this training is demonstrating competence by completion of training in preventing, reducing and eliminating the need for restrictive interventions. (d) The training shall be competency-based,	V 537		

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V 537	<p>Continued From page 6</p> <p>include measurable learning objectives, measurable testing (written and by observation of behavior) on those objectives and measurable methods to determine passing or failing the course.</p> <p>(e) Formal refresher training must be completed by each service provider periodically (minimum annually).</p> <p>(f) Content of the training that the service provider plans to employ must be approved by the Division of MH/DD/SAS pursuant to Paragraph (g) of this Rule.</p> <p>(g) Acceptable training programs shall include, but are not limited to, presentation of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) refresher information on alternatives to the use of restrictive interventions; (2) guidelines on when to intervene (understanding imminent danger to self and others); (3) emphasis on safety and respect for the rights and dignity of all persons involved (using concepts of least restrictive interventions and incremental steps in an intervention); (4) strategies for the safe implementation of restrictive interventions; (5) the use of emergency safety interventions which include continuous assessment and monitoring of the physical and psychological well-being of the client and the safe use of restraint throughout the duration of the restrictive intervention; (6) prohibited procedures; (7) debriefing strategies, including their importance and purpose; and (8) documentation methods/procedures. <p>(h) Service providers shall maintain documentation of initial and refresher training for at least three years.</p> <p>(1) Documentation shall include:</p>	V 537		

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V 537	<p>Continued From page 7</p> <p>(A) who participated in the training and the outcomes (pass/fail);</p> <p>(B) when and where they attended; and</p> <p>(C) instructor's name.</p> <p>(2) The Division of MH/DD/SAS may review/request this documentation at any time.</p> <p>(i) Instructor Qualification and Training Requirements:</p> <p>(1) Trainers shall demonstrate competence by scoring 100% on testing in a training program aimed at preventing, reducing and eliminating the need for restrictive interventions.</p> <p>(2) Trainers shall demonstrate competence by scoring 100% on testing in a training program teaching the use of seclusion, physical restraint and isolation time-out.</p> <p>(3) Trainers shall demonstrate competence by scoring a passing grade on testing in an instructor training program.</p> <p>(4) The training shall be competency-based, include measurable learning objectives, measurable testing (written and by observation of behavior) on those objectives and measurable methods to determine passing or failing the course.</p> <p>(5) The content of the instructor training the service provider plans to employ shall be approved by the Division of MH/DD/SAS pursuant to Subparagraph (j)(6) of this Rule.</p> <p>(6) Acceptable instructor training programs shall include, but not be limited to, presentation of:</p> <p>(A) understanding the adult learner;</p> <p>(B) methods for teaching content of the course;</p> <p>(C) evaluation of trainee performance; and</p> <p>(D) documentation procedures.</p> <p>(7) Trainers shall be retrained at least annually and demonstrate competence in the use</p>	V 537		

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V 537	<p>Continued From page 8</p> <p>of seclusion, physical restraint and isolation time-out, as specified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.</p> <p>(8) Trainers shall be currently trained in CPR.</p> <p>(9) Trainers shall have coached experience in teaching the use of restrictive interventions at least two times with a positive review by the coach.</p> <p>(10) Trainers shall teach a program on the use of restrictive interventions at least once annually.</p> <p>(11) Trainers shall complete a refresher instructor training at least every two years.</p> <p>(k) Service providers shall maintain documentation of initial and refresher instructor training for at least three years.</p> <p>(1) Documentation shall include:</p> <p>(A) who participated in the training and the outcome (pass/fail);</p> <p>(B) when and where they attended; and</p> <p>(C) instructor's name.</p> <p>(2) The Division of MH/DD/SAS may review/request this documentation at any time.</p> <p>(l) Qualifications of Coaches:</p> <p>(1) Coaches shall meet all preparation requirements as a trainer.</p> <p>(2) Coaches shall teach at least three times, the course which is being coached.</p> <p>(3) Coaches shall demonstrate competence by completion of coaching or train-the-trainer instruction.</p> <p>(m) Documentation shall be the same preparation as for trainers.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on records review and interviews, the</p>	V 537		

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V 537	<p>Continued From page 9</p> <p>facility failed to ensure the content of the training in Seclusion, Physical Restraint and Isolation Time Out was approved by the Division of MH/DD/SAS and failed to ensure formal refresher training was completed by each staff at least annually for 4 of 4 staff (#1, #2, #3 and #4). The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 2/5/20 of personnel records revealed the following: -staff #1 was hired on 7/31/14 with the job title of Direct Support Professional (DSP) and completed training in Minimal Intrusive Intervention Techniques (MIIT) on 9/12/19; -staff #2 was hired on 10/8/18 with the job title of DSP and completed training in MIIT on 10/3/19; -staff #3 was hired on 3/20/06 with the job title of DSP and completed training in MIIT on 1/3/20; -staff #4 was hired on 3/20/06 with the job title of DSP and completed training in MIIT on 1/11/19, no documentation of updated completed training in MIIT present in the record.</p> <p>Interviews on 2/5/20 with staff #1, #2, #3 and #4 revealed they had not performed any restraints on any clients at the facility.</p> <p>Interview on 2/5/20 with the Executive Director revealed: -started as the Chief Operating Officer in 1/2018; -started as Chief Executive Officer(CEO) in 4/2019; -the prior CEO had submitted the curriculum for MIIT and received notification from the Division of MH/DD/SAS the curriculum for MIIT was approved; -has a copy of the letter from the Division of MH/DD/SAS; -was not aware of any notification or letter to re-submit MIIT for approval in the year 2017;</p>	V 537		

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V 537	<p>Continued From page 10</p> <p>-was under the impression MIIT was approved based on letter from 2002;</p> <p>-the local LME(Local Management Entity) did not mention any issues regarding MIIT during their audit in 2018.</p> <p>Review on 2/5/20 of a letter dated 7/5/02 from the Division of MH/DD/SAS signed by the "Communication ands Training Section" staff revealed the following documented:</p> <p>-"Subject: Curriculum on Prevention and Alternatives to Restrictive Interventions, Seclusion, Restraint, Isolation, Time Out Review;"</p> <p>-"The Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services' Curriculum Review Committee has reviewed your curriculum;"</p> <p>-"Your curriculum for the following has been approved: Prevention and Alternatives to Restrictive Interventions...Use of Physical Restraints."</p>	V 537		