

Division of Health Service Regulation

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V 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>An annual survey was completed on September 10, 2021. Deficiencies were cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G .5600C Supervised Living for Adults with Developmental Disabilities.</p>	V 000		
V 105	<p>27G .0201 (A) (1-7) Governing Body Policies</p> <p>10A NCAC 27G .0201 GOVERNING BODY POLICIES</p> <p>(a) The governing body responsible for each facility or service shall develop and implement written policies for the following:</p> <p>(1) delegation of management authority for the operation of the facility and services;</p> <p>(2) criteria for admission;</p> <p>(3) criteria for discharge;</p> <p>(4) admission assessments, including:</p> <p>(A) who will perform the assessment; and</p> <p>(B) time frames for completing assessment.</p> <p>(5) client record management, including:</p> <p>(A) persons authorized to document;</p> <p>(B) transporting records;</p> <p>(C) safeguard of records against loss, tampering, defacement or use by unauthorized persons;</p> <p>(D) assurance of record accessibility to authorized users at all times; and</p> <p>(E) assurance of confidentiality of records.</p> <p>(6) screenings, which shall include:</p> <p>(A) an assessment of the individual's presenting problem or need;</p> <p>(B) an assessment of whether or not the facility can provide services to address the individual's needs; and</p> <p>(C) the disposition, including referrals and recommendations;</p> <p>(7) quality assurance and quality improvement activities, including:</p>	V 105	<p>A dedicated answering service will be utilized to cover any down time. During this time there will be a staff member available to return any missed calls and route them to the correct individuals within the allowed time frame.</p> <p>DHSR - Mental Health</p> <p>OCT 1 2021</p> <p>Lic. & Cert. Section</p>	<p>4/9/21</p>

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LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE *Amy Monod* TITLE *QP*

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9/27/21

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V 105	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>(A) composition and activities of a quality assurance and quality improvement committee;</p> <p>(B) written quality assurance and quality improvement plan;</p> <p>(C) methods for monitoring and evaluating the quality and appropriateness of client care, including delineation of client outcomes and utilization of services;</p> <p>(D) professional or clinical supervision, including a requirement that staff who are not qualified professionals and provide direct client services shall be supervised by a qualified professional in that area of service;</p> <p>(E) strategies for improving client care;</p> <p>(F) review of staff qualifications and a determination made to grant treatment/habilitation privileges;</p> <p>(G) review of all fatalities of active clients who were being served in area-operated or contracted residential programs at the time of death;</p> <p>(H) adoption of standards that assure operational and programmatic performance meeting applicable standards of practice. For this purpose, "applicable standards of practice" means a level of competence established with reference to the prevailing and accepted methods, and the degree of knowledge, skill and care exercised by other practitioners in the field;</p> <p> </p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review, interview, and observation, the facility failed to implement written</p>	V 105		

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V 105	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>policies for delegation of management authority for the operation of the facility in the absence of the Licensee. The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 9/9/21 of the Current Employee/Staff list revealed 3 staff to include the Licensee/Qualified Professional (QP) and 2 direct care paraprofessionals.</p> <p>Observations on 9/9/21 between 9 am and 1 pm revealed: -No one was at the facility at 9 am. -The Licensee/QP arrived at 12:50 pm.</p> <p>Interviews on 9/9/21 the Licensee/QP stated: -She was at an appointment in a nearby town. -She had no one available during the day shift to respond to the facility in her absence. -The one client was at his day program.</p>	V 105		
V 108	<p>27G .0202 (F-I) Personnel Requirements</p> <p>10A NCAC 27G .0202 PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS</p> <p>(f) Continuing education shall be documented.</p> <p>(g) Employee training programs shall be provided and, at a minimum, shall consist of the following:</p> <p>(1) general organizational orientation;</p> <p>(2) training on client rights and confidentiality as delineated in 10A NCAC 27C, 27D, 27E, 27F and 10A NCAC 26B;</p> <p>(3) training to meet the mh/dd/sa needs of the client as specified in the treatment/habilitation plan; and</p> <p>(4) training in infectious diseases and bloodborne pathogens.</p> <p>(h) Except as permitted under 10a NCAC 27G .5602(b) of this Subchapter, at least one staff</p>	V 108	<p>First Aid/CPR Training was given to all staff on 9/11/21 in order to comply with personnel requirements. QP will monitor and organize training annually.</p>	<p>11/9/21</p>

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V 108	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>member shall be available in the facility at all times when a client is present. That staff member shall be trained in basic first aid including seizure management, currently trained to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation and trained in the Heimlich maneuver or other first aid techniques such as those provided by Red Cross, the American Heart Association or their equivalence for relieving airway obstruction.</p> <p>(i) The governing body shall develop and implement policies and procedures for identifying, reporting, investigating and controlling infectious and communicable diseases of personnel and clients.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to ensure staff were trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid affecting 1 of 3 staff audited (#2).</p> <p>Review on 9/9/21 of staff #2's personnel record revealed: -There was no evidence of a current CPR or First Aid certification. -The most recent CPR and First Aid certification in staff #2's personnel file was dated 10/29/17 (American Red Cross).</p> <p>On 9/9/21 at 9:24 am a telephone call was made to staff #2 and answered by an automated response that his mailbox was "full," unable to leave a message. No call was returned by staff #2; therefore, unable to interview staff #2.</p>	V 108		

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V 108	Continued From page 4 Interview on 9/9/21 the Licensee/Qualified Professional stated: -Staff #2 was a "back up" direct care staff that worked when needed. -He would sometimes pick up and transport the client. -He would stay at the facility with the client in her absence.	V 108		