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V 000	<p><b>INITIAL COMMENTS</b></p> <p>An annual and follow-up survey was completed on August 2, 2022. 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> <p>The facility is licensed for 5 beds and currently has a census of 5. The survey sample consisted of audits of 3 current clients.</p>	V 000		
V 114	<p><b>27G .0207 Emergency Plans and Supplies</b></p> <p>10A NCAC 27G .0207 EMERGENCY PLANS AND SUPPLIES</p> <p>(a) A written fire plan for each facility and area-wide disaster plan shall be developed and shall be approved by the appropriate local authority.</p> <p>(b) The plan shall be made available to all staff and evacuation procedures and routes shall be posted in the facility.</p> <p>(c) Fire and disaster drills in a 24-hour facility shall be held at least quarterly and shall be repeated for each shift. Drills shall be conducted under conditions that simulate fire emergencies.</p> <p>(d) Each facility shall have basic first aid supplies accessible for use.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to conduct fire and disaster drills on each shift at least quarterly. The findings are:</p>	V 114	<p>DHSR - Mental Health</p> <p><b>AUG 25 2022</b></p> <p>Lic. &amp; Cert. Section</p>	

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V 114	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>Review on 8/2/22 of the facility's fire and disaster drills record revealed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-There was one 2nd shift fire drill conducted this year on 7/23/22.</li> <li>-There was one 2nd shift disaster drill conducted this year on 7/23/22.</li> <li>-There were no other fire and disaster drills conducted on 2nd shift in 2022.</li> </ul> <p>Interview on 8/2/22 with the Owner revealed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Confirmed one fire and disaster drill was conducted on 2nd shift this year.</li> <li>-She was aware fire and disaster drills should be conducted at least quarterly on each shift.</li> </ul>	V 114	<p><i>Fire and Disaster Drills for were misplaced and were located and placed in book. All drills will be conducted in accordance to rules. Owner and QP will insure drills are conducted as rules indicated moving forward.</i></p>	8/10/22
V 131	<p>G.S. 131E-256 (D2) HCPR -Prior Employment Verification</p> <p>G.S. §131E-256 HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL REGISTRY</p> <p>(d2) Before hiring health care personnel into a health care facility or service, every employer at a health care facility shall access the Health Care Personnel Registry and shall note each incident of access in the appropriate business files.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to access the Health Care Personnel Registry (HCPR) prior to employment for one of three audited staff (#1). The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 8/2/22 of Staff #1's personnel record</p>	V 131		

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V 131	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>revealed: -Hired date: 7/10/20 as a Habilitation Technician. -HCPR was accessed 9/24/20. -No evidence HCPR was accessed prior to employment.</p> <p>Interview on 8/2/22 with the Owner revealed: -She and the Qualified Professional was responsible for accessing HCPR for new employees prior to employment. -She confirmed staff #1's HCPR was not accessed prior to employment.</p> <p>This deficiency constitutes a re-cited deficiency and must be corrected within 30 days.</p>	V 131	<p>The new staff member was in training and the HCPR had not been updated. The HCPR has been completed and all new employees will now a HCPR completed prior to hiring as rules state. The owner and QP will make sure all HCPR are in place for new hires.</p>	8/10/22
V 133	<p>G.S. 122C-80 Criminal History Record Check</p> <p>G.S. §122C-80 CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT.</p> <p>(a) Definition. - As used in this section, the term "provider" applies to an area authority/county program and any provider of mental health, developmental disability, and substance abuse services that is licensable under Article 2 of this Chapter.</p> <p>(b) Requirement. - An offer of employment by a provider licensed under this Chapter to an applicant to fill a position that does not require the applicant to have an occupational license is conditioned on consent to a State and national criminal history record check of the applicant. If the applicant has been a resident of this State for less than five years, then the offer of employment is conditioned on consent to a State and national criminal history record check of the applicant. The national criminal history record check shall include a check of the applicant's fingerprints. If</p>	V 133		

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V 133	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>the applicant has been a resident of this State for five years or more, then the offer is conditioned on consent to a State criminal history record check of the applicant. A provider shall not employ an applicant who refuses to consent to a criminal history record check required by this section. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, within five business days of making the conditional offer of employment, a provider shall submit a request to the Department of Justice under G.S. 114-19.10 to conduct a criminal history record check required by this section or shall submit a request to a private entity to conduct a State criminal history record check required by this section. Notwithstanding G.S. 114-19.10, the Department of Justice shall return the results of national criminal history record checks for employment positions not covered by Public Law 105-277 to the Department of Health and Human Services, Criminal Records Check Unit. Within five business days of receipt of the national criminal history of the person, the Department of Health and Human Services, Criminal Records Check Unit, shall notify the provider as to whether the information received may affect the employability of the applicant. In no case shall the results of the national criminal history record check be shared with the provider. Providers shall make available upon request verification that a criminal history check has been completed on any staff covered by this section. A county that has adopted an appropriate local ordinance and has access to the Division of Criminal Information data bank may conduct on behalf of a provider a State criminal history record check required by this section without the provider having to submit a request to the Department of Justice. In such a case, the county shall commence with the State</p>	V 133		
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V 133	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>criminal history record check required by this section within five business days of the conditional offer of employment by the provider. All criminal history information received by the provider is confidential and may not be disclosed, except to the applicant as provided in subsection (c) of this section. For purposes of this subsection, the term "private entity" means a business regularly engaged in conducting criminal history record checks utilizing public records obtained from a State agency.</p> <p>(c) Action. - If an applicant's criminal history record check reveals one or more convictions of a relevant offense, the provider shall consider all of the following factors in determining whether to hire the applicant:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) The level and seriousness of the crime.</li> <li>(2) The date of the crime.</li> <li>(3) The age of the person at the time of the conviction.</li> <li>(4) The circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, if known.</li> <li>(5) The nexus between the criminal conduct of the person and the job duties of the position to be filled.</li> <li>(6) The prison, jail, probation, parole, rehabilitation, and employment records of the person since the date the crime was committed.</li> <li>(7) The subsequent commission by the person of a relevant offense.</li> </ol> <p>The fact of conviction of a relevant offense alone shall not be a bar to employment; however, the listed factors shall be considered by the provider. If the provider disqualifies an applicant after consideration of the relevant factors, then the provider may disclose information contained in the criminal history record check that is relevant to the disqualification, but may not provide a copy of the criminal history record check to the</p>	V 133		

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V 133	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>applicant.</p> <p>(d) Limited Immunity. - A provider and an officer or employee of a provider that, in good faith, complies with this section shall be immune from civil liability for:</p> <p>(1) The failure of the provider to employ an individual on the basis of information provided in the criminal history record check of the individual.</p> <p>(2) Failure to check an employee's history of criminal offenses if the employee's criminal history record check is requested and received in compliance with this section.</p> <p>(e) Relevant Offense. - As used in this section, "relevant offense" means a county, state, or federal criminal history of conviction or pending indictment of a crime, whether a misdemeanor or felony, that bears upon an individual's fitness to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of persons needing mental health, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse services. These crimes include the criminal offenses set forth in any of the following Articles of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes: Article 5, Counterfeiting and Issuing Monetary Substitutes; Article 5A, Endangering Executive and Legislative Officers; Article 6, Homicide; Article 7A, Rape and Other Sex Offenses; Article 8, Assaults; Article 10, Kidnapping and Abduction; Article 13, Malicious Injury or Damage by Use of Explosive or Incendiary Device or Material; Article 14, Burglary and Other Housebreakings; Article 15, Arson and Other Burnings; Article 16, Larceny; Article 17, Robbery; Article 18, Embezzlement; Article 19, False Pretenses and Cheats; Article 19A, Obtaining Property or Services by False or Fraudulent Use of Credit Device or Other Means; Article 19B, Financial Transaction Card Crime Act; Article 20, Frauds; Article 21, Forgery; Article 26, Offenses Against Public Morality and</p>	V 133		
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V 133	<p>Continued From page 6</p> <p>Decency; Article 26A, Adult Establishments; Article 27, Prostitution; Article 28, Perjury; Article 29, Bribery; Article 31, Misconduct in Public Office; Article 35, Offenses Against the Public Peace; Article 36A, Riots and Civil Disorders; Article 39, Protection of Minors; Article 40, Protection of the Family; Article 59, Public Intoxication; and Article 60, Computer-Related Crime. These crimes also include possession or sale of drugs in violation of the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, Article 5 of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes, and alcohol-related offenses such as sale to underage persons in violation of G.S. 18B-302 or driving while impaired in violation of G.S. 20-138.1 through G.S. 20-138.5.</p> <p>(f) Penalty for Furnishing False Information. - Any applicant for employment who willfully furnishes, supplies, or otherwise gives false information on an employment application that is the basis for a criminal history record check under this section shall be guilty of a Class A1 misdemeanor.</p> <p>(g) Conditional Employment. - A provider may employ an applicant conditionally prior to obtaining the results of a criminal history record check regarding the applicant if both of the following requirements are met:</p> <p>(1) The provider shall not employ an applicant prior to obtaining the applicant's consent for criminal history record check as required in subsection (b) of this section or the completed fingerprint cards as required in G.S. 114-19.10.</p> <p>(2) The provider shall submit the request for a criminal history record check not later than five business days after the individual begins conditional employment. (2000-154, s. 4; 2001-155, s. 1; 2004-124, ss. 10.19D(c), (h); 2005-4, ss. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5(a); 2007-444, s. 3.)</p>	V 133		

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V 133	<p>Continued From page 7</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to ensure the state criminal record check was ordered within five business days of making the conditional offer of employment for one of three audited staff (#1). The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 8/2/22 of Staff #1's personnel record revealed: -Hired date: 7/10/20 as a Habilitation Technician. -There was no evidence the state criminal record check was ordered.</p> <p>Interview on 8/2/22 with the Owner revealed: -She and the Qualified Professional was responsible for ordering the state criminal record check for new employees. -She confirmed there was no evidence staff #1's state criminal record check was ordered. -She would order the state criminal record check for staff #1.</p> <p>This deficiency constitutes a re-cited deficiency and must be corrected within 30 days.</p>	V 133	<p><i>Criminal Background checks will be completed in accordance to rules, #1</i></p> <p><i>Staff member noted requested check on 8/10/22 and will provide copy on 8/11/22 when he returns to work.</i></p> <p><i>The owner and QP will make sure all Criminal Background checks are completed as require moving forward.</i></p>	5/10/22
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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 (a) Facilities shall implement policies and practices that emphasize the use of alternatives to restrictive interventions.</p>	V 536		
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V 536	<p>Continued From page 8</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 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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) knowledge and understanding of the people being served;</li> <li>(2) recognizing and interpreting human behavior;</li> <li>(3) recognizing the effect of internal and external stressors that may affect people with disabilities;</li> <li>(4) strategies for building positive relationships with persons with disabilities;</li> <li>(5) recognizing cultural, environmental and organizational factors that may affect people with</li> </ol>	V 536		
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V 536	<p>Continued From page 9</p> <p>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> <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</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 10</p> <p>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 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</p>	V 536		

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V 536	Continued From page 11 train-the-trainer instruction. (I) Documentation shall be the same preparation as for trainers.  This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the facility failed to ensure one of three audited staff (#2) had current training on the use of alternatives to restrictive interventions. The findings are:  Review on 8/2/22 of Staff #2's personnel record revealed: - Hired date of 6/1/2014. - Evidence Based Protective Intervention training expired 7/30/22. - There was no evidence of current EBPI training.  Interview on 8/2/22 with the Owner revealed: -Confirmed staff #2's EBPI training expired. -The Qualified Professional was responsible for ensuring staff trainings were current. -Staff #2 would be scheduled for EBPI training.  This deficiency constitutes a re-cited deficiency and must be corrected within 30 days.	V 536	<i>all required staff training will be completed in accordance with required time frames. The Owner and QP will schedule training and keep all training records maintained in proper time frame moving forward.</i>	<i>9/15/22</i>