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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROV DER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:  <b>MHL0601227</b>	(X2) MULT PLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING: _____  B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED  <b>11/01/2022</b>
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V 000	<p><b>INITIAL COMMENTS</b></p> <p>A complaint and follow up was completed on 11-1-22. The complaint was unsubstantiated (NC00193855).Deficiencies were cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G 1900 Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility for Children and Adolescents.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for six and currently has a census of three. The survey sample consisted of two current clients.</p>	V 000	<p>V 536 Correction:</p> <p>1. The staff/agency nurse identified in this audit as being out of compliance has been registered for Therapeutic Crisis Intervention training on December 6-9, 2022 and will not work in the cottage until TCI training is completed.TCI curriculum covers both alternatives to restrictive interventions, protective interventions, and physical restraints.</p> <p>2. Nursing Supervisor will complete an audit of all nursing staff (including agency nurses) to determine compliance with Thompson Training and ensure that they are in the Relias system for tracking and training completion.</p>	<p>By 1/1/2023</p> <p>By 12/6/22</p>
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</p>	V 536	<p>3. Any nurses out of compliant with training will enroll in and complete the next full TCI training class or refresher TCI class provided by Thompson, if applicable.</p> <p>Prevention:</p> <p>1. Nursing supervisor will ensure that all new and existing nurses (agency and staff) are enrolled in TCI training courses and require that all nurses complete required training prior to providing direct care. Nursing Supervisor will register new staff and new agency nurses into TCI training once identified for hire or once identified by the nursing agency. Supervisor will monitor through weekly reports generated by Relias Learning Managment System that nursing staff and agency staff have completed the required TCI trainings prior to scheduling staff on shift. If trainings are not completed, staff will be removed from the schedule until required TCI trainings are completed.</p> <p>Monitoring:</p> <p>1. Nursing supervisor will receive a weekly automated report from Relias Learning Management System to track training completions of all staff and agency nurses to monitor coming due or past due.</p>	<p>By 1/1/2023</p> <p>1/1/2023</p> <p>Weekly/ongoing</p>

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**Chief Performance & Quality Officer 11/23/2022**

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V 536	Continued From page 1  methods to determine passing or failing the course. (e) Formal refresher training must be completed by each service provider periodically (minimum annually). (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. (g) Staff shall demonstrate competence in the following core areas: (1) knowledge and understanding of the people being served; (2) recognizing and interpreting human behavior; (3) recognizing the effect of internal and external stressors that may affect people with disabilities; (4) strategies for building positive relationships with persons with disabilities; (5) recognizing cultural, environmental and organizational factors that may affect people with disabilities; (6) recognizing the importance of and assisting in the person's involvement in making decisions about their life; (7) skills in assessing individual risk for escalating behavior; (8) communication strategies for defusing and de-escalating potentially dangerous behavior; and (9) positive behavioral supports (providing means for people with disabilities to choose activities which directly oppose or replace behaviors which are unsafe). (h) Service providers shall maintain documentation of initial and refresher training for at least three years. (1) Documentation shall include:	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 2</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 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</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>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 train-the-trainer instruction.</p> <p>(l) Documentation shall be the same preparation as for trainers.</p> <p> </p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interviews the facility failed to ensure completion in training of alternatives to restrictive interventions were completed before providing services, effecting one of one audited registered nurse (RN#1). The findings are:</p>	V 536		

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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	V 537	Prevention: 1. Nursing supervisor will ensure that all new and existing nurses (agency and staff) are enrolled in TCI training courses and require that all nurses complete required training prior to providing direct care. Nursing Supervisor will register new staff and new agency nurses into TCI training once identified for hire or once identified by the nursing agency. Supervisor will monitor through weekly reports generated by Relias Learning Management System that nursing staff and agency staff have completed the required TCI trainings prior to scheduling staff on shift. If trainings are not completed, staff will be removed from the schedule until required TCI trainings are completed.  Monitoring: 1. Nursing supervisor will receive a weekly automated report from Relias Learning Management System to track training completions of all staff and agency nurses to monitor coming due or past due.	By 1/1/2023  Weekly/ongoing

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V 537	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>demonstrated.</p> <p>(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.</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 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"> <li>(1) refresher information on alternatives to the use of restrictive interventions;</li> <li>(2) guidelines on when to intervene (understanding imminent danger to self and others);</li> <li>(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);</li> <li>(4) strategies for the safe implementation of restrictive interventions;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(6) prohibited procedures;</li> <li>(7) debriefing strategies, including their</li> </ol>	V 537		

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