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V 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>A complaint and follow up survey was completed on 12-8-22. The complaint was unsubstantiated (#NC00195250). Deficiencies were cited.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for following service category: 10A NCAC 27G 1900 Psychiatric Residential Treatment for Children and Adolescents.</p> <p>This facility is licensed for six and currently has a census of six. The survey sample consisted of one current client.</p>	V 000	<p>DHSR - Mental Health</p> <p>DEC 29 2022</p> <p>Lic. & Cert. Section</p>	
V 132	<p>G.S. 131E-256(G) HCPR-Notification, Allegations, & Protection</p> <p>G.S. §131E-256 HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL REGISTRY</p> <p>(g) Health care facilities shall ensure that the Department is notified of all allegations against health care personnel, including injuries of unknown source, which appear to be related to any act listed in subdivision (a)(1) of this section. (which includes:</p> <p>a. Neglect or abuse of a resident in a healthcare facility or a person to whom home care services as defined by G.S. 131E-136 or hospice services as defined by G.S. 131E-201 are being provided.</p> <p>b. Misappropriation of the property of a resident in a health care facility, as defined in subsection (b) of this section including places where home care services as defined by G.S. 131E-136 or hospice services as defined by G.S. 131E-201 are being provided.</p> <p>c. Misappropriation of the property of a healthcare facility.</p> <p>d. Diversion of drugs belonging to a health care facility or to a patient or client.</p> <p>e. Fraud against a health care facility or against</p>	V 132	<p>The agency reviewed the current internal process and revealed that the internal incident report was submitted and DSS were both called on the same day and within the appropriate time frame. Additionally, the IRIS report was completed but there is discrepancy as it relates to timely submission. Given that the IRIS was not submitted, the HCPR was not submitted as these are completed simultaneously through the IRIS reporting system.</p> <p>The agency is aware that the IRIS reporting system was dealing with technical issues for an extended period of time which may have impacted the incident submission.</p> <p>Nevertheless, the agency added an additional step to the current process to alleviate ongoing IRIS/HCPR reporting errors. As of 12.16.2022, the supervisor will now submit the IRIS confirmation page (see step #2).</p> <p>The process will be as follows:</p> <p>1. When an incident report is completed, the PRTF staff will notify the on duty supervisor.</p>	01/01/2023

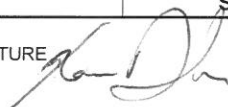
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2. Once the PRTF supervisor has been notified of the incident, assessed the incident as a Level II or Level III incident, said supervisor will submit the IRIS report and HCPR within the required timeframe. Upon completion of the IRIS report/HCPR, the supervisor will screenshot and email the submission page (thumbs up will confirm).
3. The Education supervisor will review the Electronic Health Record (EHR) to ensure that all IRIS reports have been submitted and an IRIS reporting number has been secured and logged into the EHR system. The Executive Director will review twice weekly.
4. Additionally, a bi-weekly internal audit of incidents will be reviewed to prevent ongoing late submissions.

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LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE



TITLE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

(X6) DATE 12-23-22

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V 132	<p>Continued From page 1</p> <p>a patient or client for whom the employee is providing services).</p> <p>Facilities must have evidence that all alleged acts are investigated and must make every effort to protect residents from harm while the investigation is in progress. The results of all investigations must be reported to the Department within five working days of the initial notification to the Department.</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interviews the facility failed to ensure that HCPR (Health Care Personnel Registry) was notified of all allegations against health care personnel. The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 12-7-22 of facility incident report dated 11-18-22 revealed: -"During a visit with client's (Client #1) mom and social worker, client made statements regarding two staff members hurting him. Client stated that one staff member bent his hand, and the other staff squeezed him so hard he couldn't breathe. Client also stated that he didn't tell anyone, including his therapist, because he was scared that no one would believe him or that nothing would get done if he told anyone. Client</p>	V 132			

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V 132	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>stated he doesn't know when these incident occurred but thinks it happened, 'mostly in the cottage.'"</p> <p>Review on 12-7-22 of IRIS (Incident Response Improvement System) report revealed: - "Client states that one staff bent his hand and other staff squeezed him so hard he couldn't breathe." - Allegations of Abuse, Neglect, or Exploitation section had been completed, with physical abuse by staff checked.</p> <p>Review on 12-7-22 of IRIS website revealed: - No incident report submitted for the incident on 11-18-22.</p> <p>Interview on 12-8-22 with the IRIS administrator revealed: - A report of the incident on 11-18-22 was created in the system, but never submitted.</p> <p>Interview on 12-8-22 with Executive Director of Residential Services revealed: - The IRIS system had been down for a period of time. - The person that enters the IRIS reports says that she was sure she had submitted the report. - He knew this meant that it hadn't been reported to HPCR.</p> <p>This deficiency has been cited three times since the original cite date of 10-29-21 and must be corrected within 30 days.</p>	V 132		
V 367	<p>27G .0604 Incident Reporting Requirements</p> <p>10A NCAC 27G .0604 INCIDENT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR</p>	V 367		

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V 367	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>CATEGORY A AND B PROVIDERS</p> <p>(a) Category A and B providers shall report all level II incidents, except deaths, that occur during the provision of billable services or while the consumer is on the providers premises or level III incidents and level II deaths involving the clients to whom the provider rendered any service within 90 days prior to the incident to the LME responsible for the catchment area where services are provided within 72 hours of becoming aware of the incident. The report shall be submitted on a form provided by the Secretary. The report may be submitted via mail, in person, facsimile or encrypted electronic means. The report shall include the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) reporting provider contact and identification information; (2) client identification information; (3) type of incident; (4) description of incident; (5) status of the effort to determine the cause of the incident; and (6) other individuals or authorities notified or responding. <p>(b) Category A and B providers shall explain any missing or incomplete information. The provider shall submit an updated report to all required report recipients by the end of the next business day whenever:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the provider has reason to believe that information provided in the report may be erroneous, misleading or otherwise unreliable; or (2) the provider obtains information required on the incident form that was previously unavailable. <p>(c) Category A and B providers shall submit, upon request by the LME, other information obtained regarding the incident, including:</p>	V 367	<p>The agency reviewed the current internal process and revealed that the internal incident report was submitted and DSS were both called on the same day and within the appropriate time frame. Additionally, the IRIS report was completed but there is discrepancy as it relates to timely submission. Given that the IRIS was not submitted, the LME was not notified as these are completed simultaneously through the IRIS reporting system.</p> <p>The agency is aware that the IRIS reporting system was dealing with technical issues for an extended period of time which may have impacted the incident submission.</p> <p>Nevertheless, the agency added an additional step to the current process to alleviate ongoing IRIS reporting errors. As of 12.16.2022, the supervisor will now submit the IRIS confirmation page (see step #2).</p> <p>The process will be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When an incident report is completed, the PRTF staff will notify the on duty supervisor. The supervisor will review the incident report to determine the appropriate level classification and proceed with completion of IRIS reporting if necessary. If the incident is a Restrictive Intervention, the initiating staff 	01/01/2023

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V 367	<p>Continued From page 4</p> <p>(1) hospital records including confidential information;</p> <p>(2) reports by other authorities; and</p> <p>(3) the provider's response to the incident.</p> <p>(d) Category A and B providers shall send a copy of all level III incident reports to the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services within 72 hours of becoming aware of the incident. Category A providers shall send a copy of all level III incidents involving a client death to the Division of Health Service Regulation within 72 hours of becoming aware of the incident. In cases of client death within seven days of use of seclusion or restraint, the provider shall report the death immediately, as required by 10A NCAC 26C .0300 and 10A NCAC 27E .0104(e)(18).</p> <p>(e) Category A and B providers shall send a report quarterly to the LME responsible for the catchment area where services are provided. The report shall be submitted on a form provided by the Secretary via electronic means and shall include summary information as follows:</p> <p>(1) medication errors that do not meet the definition of a level II or level III incident;</p> <p>(2) restrictive interventions that do not meet the definition of a level II or level III incident;</p> <p>(3) searches of a client or his living area;</p> <p>(4) seizures of client property or property in the possession of a client;</p> <p>(5) the total number of level II and level III incidents that occurred; and</p> <p>(6) a statement indicating that there have been no reportable incidents whenever no incidents have occurred during the quarter that meet any of the criteria as set forth in Paragraphs (a) and (d) of this Rule and Subparagraphs (1) through (4) of this Paragraph.</p>	V 367		

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V 367	<p>Continued From page 5</p> <p>This Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record reviews and interviews the facility failed to notify the Local Management Entity of all level II and Level III incidents within 72 hours. The findings are:</p> <p>Review on 12-7-22 of facility incident report dated 11-18-22 revealed: - "During a visit with client's (Client #1) mom and social worker, client made statements regarding two staff members hurting him. Client stated that one staff member bent his hand, and the other staff squeezed him so hard he couldn't breathe. Client also stated that he didn't tell anyone, including his therapist, because he was scared that no one would believe him or that nothing would get done if he told anyone. Client stated he doesn't know when these incident occurred but thinks it happened, 'mostly in the cottage.'"</p> <p>Review on 8-7-22 of facility internal investigation from 11-18-22 revealed: - During a visit with mother and social worker, Client #1 stated that Staff #1 "bent his hand" and the supervisor squeezed him so hard he couldn't breathe. Client #1 also stated to his mother "I think I can go home now" and "I want to go home." Later Client #1 told the nurse that he was not scared of anyone there and that no one had hurt him. He also stated that he would let the facility know if someone hurt him.</p>	V 367		

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