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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER  
**HINTON'S RESIDENTIAL SERVICES**

STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  
**306 NORTH AVENUE NORTH  
WILSON, NC 27893**

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V 000	INITIAL COMMENTS  An annual survey was completed on May 4, 2023. A deficiency was cited.  This facility is licensed for the following service category: 10A NCAC 27G .5600F Supervised Living for Alternative Family Living.  This facility is licensed for 3 and currently has a census of 3. The survey sample consisted of audits of 3 current clients.	V 000		
V 536	27E .0107 Client Rights - Training on Alt to Rest. Int.  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. (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. (c) Provider agencies shall establish training based on state competencies, monitor for internal compliance and demonstrate they acted on data gathered. (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.	V 536	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You're Safe I'm Safe (YSIS) was approved previously by DMH/DD/SAS.</li> <li>Regional Executive Director have been in contact with DMH about a subsequent approval of a YSIS... update which was submitted in October 2022. After receiving this citation, several DMH employees were contacted about the delay in review and approval. We received verbal confirmation that the update was approved.</li> <li>While not listed, we understand that the YSIS curriculum will be added to the Approved Curricula for the Use of De-Escalation Strategies and Restrictive Interventions list. Mary Tripp, DMH, reported to us that she talked with [REDACTED] the week of May 8<sup>th</sup> to try and intervene on the citation.</li> </ul>	5/19/2023

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

*Marika Whack*

TITLE  
Executive Director

(X8) DATE  
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V 536	Continued From page 1  (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: (A) who participated in the training and the outcomes (pass/fail);	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 2</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 aimed at preventing, reducing and eliminating the need for restrictive interventions at least once</p>	V 536		

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V 536	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>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 1 of 1 staff (staff #1/Director/Licensee) received annual training updates on alternatives to restrictive interventions. The findings are:</p> <p> </p> <p>Review on 5/03/23 of staff#1/Director/Licensee's</p>	V 536		

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V 536	Continued From page 4  personnel file revealed: - Hire date 8/01/08. - Training in "You're Safe, I'm Safe" dated 2/17/23. - Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) training expired 10/09/22.  Review on 5/03/23 of a list of "Approved Curricula for the Use of De-Escalation Strategies and Restrictive Interventions" dated 8/12/21 provided by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services revealed "You're Safe, I'm Safe" was not included on the list.  During interview on 5/03/23 staff #1/Director/Licensee stated: - She changed management companies in 2020. - Her previous management company used CPI training. - Her current management company used the "You're Safe, I'm Safe" curriculum for training in alternatives to restrictive interventions. - She would do whatever she needed to do to be in compliance with rules.  During interview on 5/03/23 with the Qualified Professional revealed: - The management company's alternatives for restrictive interventions curriculum had not changed since 2003. - "You're Safe, I'm Safe" was an approved curriculum and should be included on the list of approved curricula.	V 536		