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Training on CMS Condition of Participation for PRTFs

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Agenda

- Introductions 9:30 am – 9:45 am
- Goals of training 9:45 am – 10:00 am
- Review of Requirements
42 CFR 483 Subpart G 10:00 am – 12 Noon
- Lunch (on your own) 12 Noon – 1:15 pm
- IRIS Reporting Requirements 1:15 pm – 2:00 pm
- DHSR Survey Procedures 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm
- Break 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm
- Creating Healing Environments 2:45 pm – 4:00 pm
- Adjourn 4:00 pm



Agenda Packet

42 CFR 483 Subpart G	Agenda
42 CFR 441.151- 441.182	Power Point Presentations
Request for Attestation of Compliance Letter (2015)	Interpretive Guidelines for PRTF Surveys
List of Near by restaurants	Appendix B: Criteria For Determining Level Of Response to Incidents



Goals of Training

- Increase PRTF and MCO understanding of CMS requirements for PRTFs in the use of seclusion and restraint, the annual Letter of Attestation and reporting requirements
- Clarify roles and scope of DHSR surveys
- Identify QA activities around the use of seclusion and restraints
- Support, energize/reenergize initiatives to reduce or eliminate use of Seclusion and Restraints with Children and Adolescents



DHSR Sections Responsible for PRTFs

- Acute and Home Health Certification Section
 - Federally Mandated: Annually survey 20% of PRTFs for compliance with CMS COP; and in response to complaints related to COP
 - Will provide overview of survey process
- Mental Health Licensure and Certification Section
 - NC General Statutes
 - NC Administrative Code and Resources:
<https://www2.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/mhlcs/rules.html>
 - Referrals to DHSR Mental Health Licensure and Certification Section for observed non compliance



42 CFR 483 Subpart G

Basis and Scope	Monitoring during and after seclusion
Definitions	Notification of parents/guardian
Requirements for PRTFs	Application of time out
Protection of residents	Post Intervention debriefings
Orders for the use of S/R	Medical Treatment for injuries resulting from S/R
Consultation with physician	Facility reporting
Monitoring during and after restraint	Education and training



Sec. 483.350 Basis and Scope

- Implements Child Health Act of 2000
- Applicable to providers receiving Inpatient Psychiatric Services for Individuals under 21-Medicaid benefit for reimbursement of PRTFs
- Imposes requirements regarding the use of restraint or seclusion
 - Supersedes NCAC when more restrictive



Sec. 483.352 Definitions

- Drug Used as a Restraint
- Emergency safety intervention
- Emergency safety situation
- Mechanical restraint
- Minor
- Personal restraint



Sec. 483.352 Definitions (con't)

- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF)
- Restraint
- Seclusion
- Serious Injury
- Staff
- Time Out



Sec. 483.354 General (CMS) requirements for PRTF

- A PRTF must meet Federal requirements in 42 CFR 441.151 – 441.182
 - Copies of these rules in your folder
 - Covers programmatic requirements
 - Subject to audit by DHSR during Survey by MHLC and AHC Sections

§483.356 Protection of residents

- “Each resident has the right to be free from restraint or seclusion used as a means of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.”
- No standing orders or PRN order
- No planned use of seclusion or restraint, such as including in treatment plan

§483.356 Protection of residents (con't)

- ESI should result in no harm
- Used ONLY in an emergency situation to assure safety
- Seclusion or restraint used ONLY for as long as necessary for safety
- Seclusion and restraint must not be used at the same time.

§483.356 Protection of residents (con't)

- Emergency safety intervention must be performed in a manner that is
 - safe, proportionate, appropriate to the behavior
- ESI must be appropriate to
 - chronological and developmental age;
 - size; gender; physical, medical, and psychiatric condition; and
 - personal history (including any history of physical or sexual abuse).

§483.356 Protection of residents (con't)

- Notification, on admission, of facility policy on the use of Seclusion and Restraint
 - To child/adolescent and parents or legal guardian
 - In a language that is understood
 - With written acknowledgement of notification
 - Copy provided to child and parents/legal guardian with contact information for State Protection and Advocacy Organization (DRNC)



§483.358 Orders for the use of restraint or seclusion

Must be:

- By a physician or other licensed practitioner (LP) as allowed in NC: DO, PhD Psychologist; NP, PA
 - <https://www2.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/implementationupdates/Archive/2009/update063/implementationupdate63final11-09.pdf>
- By the resident's treating physician, if present
- For least restrictive measure likely to be effective
- If verbal, received by LP while S/R is initiated or immediately after
- Ordering LP must be available for consultation

§483.358 Orders for the use of restraint or seclusion (con't)

- Time limited to duration of emergency, never more than:
 - 4 hours for individuals ages 18 to 21
 - 2 hours for children/adolescents 9 to 17
 - 1 hour for children under 9



§483.358 Orders for the use of restraint or seclusion (con't)

- Within 1 hour of initiation of restraint, MD, DO, NP, or RN trained in use of S/R must conduct a **face-to-face** physical and psychological assessment, including but not limited to:
 - Physical and psychological status
 - Behavior
 - Appropriateness of intervention
 - Any complications resulting from intervention

§483.358 Orders for the use of restraint or seclusion (con't)

- Each order for restraint or seclusion must include:
 - Name of the physician or LP trained and authorized to order S/R
 - Date and time order received
 - Emergency safety intervention ordered and duration
 - If need for S/R exceeds duration of order, a NEW order must be received to continue.



§483.358 Orders for the use of restraint or seclusion (con't)

- Documentation of emergency safety intervention must be completed by end of shift during which ESI ended and include:
 - Each order, with intervention and duration
 - Time emergency intervention began and ended
 - Time and findings of the 1 hour assessment
 - Description of emergency safety situation requiring S/R
 - Name of staff involved in the intervention



§483.358 Orders for the use of restraint or seclusion (con't)

- PRTF Facility must maintain record of each emergency safety intervention, i.e., each incident of seclusion and restraint, the intervention used and outcomes
- The physician or other allowed LP must sign order, if verbal, as soon as possible



§483.360 Consultation with treatment team physician

Any LP who orders S/R must :

- Consult with the child or adolescent's treatment team physician
- Document the time and date of consultation

§483.362 Monitoring of the resident in and immediately after **restraint**.

- Clinical staff must be:
 - physically present
 - continually assessing/ monitoring physical and psychological well-being throughout emergency safety intervention.
- If S/R lasts beyond order, LP must contact ordering MD or LP for instructions
- MD or LP must evaluate child/adolescent immediately after ESI ends

§483.364 Monitoring of the resident in and immediately after **seclusion**.

- Clinical staff must be:
 - physically present in or right outside room
 - continually assessing/ monitoring the physical and psychological well-being throughout the duration of the emergency safety intervention
- Video monitoring does not meet this requirement

§483.364 Monitoring of the resident in and immediately after **seclusion**

- Room used for seclusion must:
 - Allow full view
 - Be free of potentially hazardous conditions
- If ESI lasts beyond ordered timeframe, LP must contact ordering MD or LP for instructions or New order
- MD or LP must evaluate child/adolescent immediately after child or adolescent is removed



483.366 Notification of parent(s) or legal guardian(s)

- For a minor, facility must :
 - Notify parents as soon as possible after initiation of seclusion or restraint
 - Document date and time of notification and name of staff person providing notification



§483.368 Application of time out

- Child or adolescent must never be prevented from leaving
- May be exclusionary or inclusionary
- Staff must monitor child/adolescent while in time out.

§483.370 Post-intervention debriefings

1. Within 24 hours with involved staff and child/adolescent
 - Face to face discussion
 - Other staff and parents may attend
 - Conducted in language understood
 - Must provide opportunity to discuss ESS
 - Strategies for staff, child/adolescent, others to prevent use of seclusion and restraint in future

§483.370 Post-intervention debriefings

2. Within 24 hours involved staff, supervisors, facility administration debriefing to discuss:
 - Emergency Safety Intervention
 - Precipitating factors
 - Alternative techniques
 - Procedures to prevent reoccurrence
 - Outcomes of use of seclusion or restraint, including injuries

§483.370 Post-intervention debriefings

- Required documentation in medical record
 - that both debriefing sessions took place
 - names of staff who were present
 - names of staff that were excused
 - any changes to the resident's treatment plan that result from the debriefings

§483.372 Medical treatment for injuries resulting from ESI

- Must receive immediate medical attention
- PRTF must have affiliations/transfer agreements with Medicaid enrolled hospitals that ensure:
 - Timely transfer for medical and/or acute psychiatric care
 - Timely sharing of necessary information
 - Service availability 24/7
- Must be documented in record
- Must result in plan to prevent future injury

§483.374 Facility reporting

Attestation of facility compliance

- In writing, that the facility is in compliance with CMS's 42 CFR 843 Subpart G
- Signed by the facility director
- Submit annually by July 21
- Newly enrolled provider must meet this requirement and submit Attestation upon submission of Medicaid provider agreement

§483.376 Education and training

Staff must have education, training, knowledge of

- Techniques to identify triggers
- Use of non physical interventions
- Safe use of Seclusion and Restraint
- Certification in CPR
- Training staff must be qualified

§483.376 Education and training

- Must include training exercises with demonstration of competency
- Demonstration of competency on regular basis
- Must be documented and certified
- Programs/curricula must be available for review by CMS, DMA, State survey agency



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QUESTIONS?



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- **DHSR Mental Health Licensure and Certification Section**

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