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General Provisions - Inspection Checklist
(Revised Oct. 2025)
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New and Renewal Licensing Procedures	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R380-600-3(1) Until a license or certificate is approved by OL, an applicant or provider may not: (a) accept any fee; (b) enter into any agreement to provide a client service; or (c) provide any client service.						
R380-600-3(3) An applicant or a provider shall permit the office to have immediate, unrestricted access to: (a) any unaltered on and off-site program or facility and client records; (b) each client who independently consents to speak to OL staff; (c) each site subject to licensing or certification; and (d) each staff member.						
R380-600-3(4) A provider may not permit a staff or client to threaten, verbally or physically abuse, or use violence of any kind while interacting with a representative of the department.						
R380-600-3(15) The license or certificate holder shall adhere to any individualized parameter on a program or facility license or certificate to promote the health, safety, and welfare of any client. Parameters may include: (a) adequate square footage to determine capacity; (b) an admission or placement restriction; or (c) an age restriction.						
R380-600-3(18) Unless previously approved by OL to provide services before receiving a license or certificate for special circumstances, a provider must submit an application, any required fee, and obtain a new or a renewed license or certificate before providing any service that requires a license or certificate.	0		0			
R380-600-3(25) The provider shall post their current license or certificate, except in a foster home, on the premises in a place readily visible and accessible to the public.						
R501-14-3(1) A provider representative shall ensure that an applicant for an initial background check completes the required application fields and disclosure statements to authorize OBP's continual monitoring of the applicant's fingerprints and applicable state registries.						
R501-14-4(3)(a) The provider representative shall keep the program's roster and employee information current in DACS. (b) The provider representative shall check the roster at least monthly to verify employee information and the employment of employees due for a renewal review.	0					
R501-14-5(2)(a) The provider representative shall submit a background check application for each applicant for an initial background check no later than two weeks from the date the applicant becomes associated with the licensee, certification, or contract. (b)(i) The provider representative shall ensure an applicant is directly supervised until OBP issues a conditional or eligible clearance determination. (ii) The provider representative shall document how the applicant remains supervised for the entirety of the applicant's supervised employment term before receiving a clearance determination.			0			

R501-14-5(5)(a) The provider representative may not allow an applicant whose background check application is denied to have any supervised or unsupervised direct access to clients unless: (i) OBP approves a subsequent application; or (ii) the denial is overturned in an administrative hearing or by the OBP director. (b) The provider representative shall ensure an applicant initiating an appeal of a denied application works under direct supervision until OBP issues a determination regarding the appeal.						
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R380-600-6(5) The provider shall sign the approved variance and comply with the terms of the written variance, including any conditions or modifications contained within the approved written variance.						
Inspection and Investigation Process	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R380-600-7(16) When a critical incident occurs under the direct responsibility and supervision of the program or facility, the provider shall: (a) submit a report of the critical incident to OL in a format required by OL within one business day of the critical incident occurrence; (b) additionally ensure any allegation of an incident of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a client is reported to DCFS for a minor client or APS for an adult client and law enforcement within 24 hours; (c) notify the parent or legal guardian of each involved client within a 24-hour period from the time of the incident; (d) if the critical incident involves any client in the custody of the department or under contract with the department, notify the involved department division immediately; and (e) collect, maintain, and submit original witness statements and supporting documentation, including video footage if available, regarding each critical incident to OL upon request.						
Program Policies, Procedures, and Safe Practices	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-1-4(2) The licensee shall develop, implement, and comply with safe practices that: (a) ensure client health and safety; (b) ensure the needs of the client population served are met; (c) ensure that none of the program practices conflict with any administrative rule or statute before implementation; and (d) inform staff of how to manage any unique circumstances regarding the specific site's physical facility, supervision, community safety, and mixing populations.						
R501-1-4(3) The licensee shall submit any change to an office approved policy or curriculum to the office for approval before implementing the proposed change.						
Residential Programs Additional Safe Practices	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Assistance	Notes
R501-1-5(1) A licensee that manages, stores, or administers client medications shall develop and ensure compliance with the following medication management safe practices: (a) inform staff and clients of program and client responsibility for medication including storage and administration of medications on-site and, as applicable, when staff and clients are offsite in program related activities; (b) if applicable, inform staff and clients of the medication self-administration process; (c) if storing and administering medications, train staff to administer medication and the process to be followed; (d) how staff record medication dosages according to prescriptions; (e) how staff monitor for and record effects and side effects of medications; and (f) how staff log doses and record and report medication errors.						

R501-1-5(2) The licensee shall ensure the care, vaccination, licensure, and maintenance of any animals on-site to include: (a) assessment of pet allergies for any clients interacting with animals in the program; (b) maintenance of required examinations, registrations, and vaccinations; and (c) supervision of clients in the presence of animals.						
R501-1-5(4) The licensee shall ensure that a ratio of one staff to one client during transports is only utilized when the program has conducted a safety assessment that indicates that client and staff safety is reasonably assured.						
Program Administrative and Direct Service Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-1-6(1) The licensee shall clearly identify services to the office, public, potential client, parent, or guardian regarding: (a) current and accurate contact information; (b) the complaint reporting and resolution process; (c) a description of each service provided; (d) each program requirement and expectation; (e) eligibility criteria outlining behavior, diagnosis, situation, population, and age that can be safely served, including: (i) an outline of the behaviors and presenting issues that would be reason for discharge or exclusion from the program; and (ii) a statement that the program may not take placement of a child whose needs exceed the scope or ability of the program to reasonably manage; (f) each cost, fee, and expense for a service and refund policy; and (g) identification of each non-clinical, extracurricular, or supplemental service offered or referred.						
R501-1-6(2) The licensee shall post the following in conspicuous places where each visitor, staff, and client may view: (a) abuse reporting laws as described in Sections 80-2-609 and 26B-6-205; (b) civil rights notice; (c) Americans with Disabilities Act notice; (e) any office notice of agency action; (f) a client rights poster in a residential setting except in a foster home or where prohibited by Settings Final Rule; and (g) department code of conduct poster.						
R501-1-6(3) The licensee shall maintain compliance with or documentation of an exemption from any of the following requirements: (a) a food handler permit for any person preparing meals for any other person; (b) capacity determinations that include each staff and client on premises and may not exceed the capacity limits placed by local authorities; (c) fire clearance, if conducted separately from a business license; (d) licensure and registration of any vehicles used to transport clients.			0			
R501-1-6(5) The licensee shall maintain and make the following available to the department upon request: (b) general liability insurance; (c) professional liability insurance; (d) vehicle insurance; (e) fire insurance; and (f) additional insurance as required to cover each program activity.						

R501-1-6(6) The licensee shall ensure: (b) current staff and client lists are available at each licensed site; (c) the organizational and governance structure of the program is available to the department upon request and includes: (i) line of authority and responsibility; (ii) a job description, including each duty and qualification for each job title; and (iii) notification to the office of any program changes as described in Section R380-600-3; (d) a quality improvement plan that is implemented and followed and that incorporates, at a minimum, client and staff grievances, feedback, trends in licensing noncompliance and incident reports; (e) the licensee provides an interpreter or refers each client to appropriate resources as necessary to communicate with the client; (f) the licensee maintains an opioid overdose reversal kit on-site with on duty staff trained in its use if the licensee is serving, or is likely to serve, a client with a substance use disorder.						
R501-1-6(7) A licensee serving education entitled children shall comply with Section 26B-2-116 regarding coordination of educational services to include completion of youth education forms at initial and renewal licensure.						
R501-1-6(8) A licensee offering school on-site shall: (a) maintain the established staff to client ratio with behavioral intervention trained staff in the school setting; (b) ensure recognition in good standing by an educational accreditation organization such as the State Board of Education or the National School Accreditation Board; (c) ensure each client is taught at their appropriate grade level.						
R501-1-6(9) The licensee shall ensure clinical and medical staff are licensed or certified in good standing and any unlicensed staff are appropriately supervised						
Residential Program Additional Administration and Direct Services	R	ш	NI A	Corrected During	Technical	Notes
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R501-1-7(1) A residential program licensee shall additionally: (a) ensure each staff shift list remains current and available to the office upon request; (b) ensure that each shift documents any illness, injury or critical incident and passes it on to the next shift and administration; (c) ensure at least two on-duty staff are present at all times; (d) ensure access to a medical clinic or a medical professional familiar with the program and population served; and (e) provide a separate space for clients who are showing symptoms of an infectious disease.						Notes

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R501-1-7(4) A congregate care program licensee shall ensure weekly confidential communication with family and shall ensure that: (a) the frequency or form of the confidential communication requirement is only modified if the program submits a modification request that demonstrates the following to the office: (i) the program operates in an area of limited or unreliable phone accessibility or coverage; (ii) there is significant risk of harm or danger to client safety by providing youth with unsupervised telephone access; (iii) the licensee offers an alternative that satisfies the requirement of weekly confidential two-way communication; or (vi) extenuating circumstances exist outside the individual treatment plans that are prohibitive to offering voice to voice communication; (b) a parent or guardian authorizes in writing an alternate means of confidential communication when voice to voice is unavailable; and (c) the licensee offers voice to voice confidential communication as soon as it can be safely offered.						
R501-1-7(6)(a) A residential program licensee, excluding a residential treatment program, may allow for client independence and responsibility for their own supplies, food, laundry, or transportation by outlining in writing resources and responsibility for the provision of these items. (b) Each residential program licensee shall assist clients on a limited basis if they are temporarily unable to provide the items or services listed in Subsection R501-1-7(6)(a) for themselves.						
Program Physical Facilities and Safety	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-1-8(1) The licensee shall ensure: (a) the appearance & cleanliness of the building/grounds are maintained & free from health/fire hazards; (b) any appliances, plumbing, electrical, HVAC, and furnishings are maintained in operating order and in a clean and safe condition; (c) fire drills in non-outpatient programs are conducted at least quarterly and documented, including feedback regarding response time and process; (d) a phone that can be used to call 911 is always available on-site when clients are present; (e) bathroom facilities for staff and clients allow for individual privacy and afford reasonable accommodation based on gender identity; (f) each bathroom is properly equipped with toilet paper, paper towels or a dryer, and soap; (g) each bathroom is ventilated by mechanical means or equipped with a window that opens; (h) non-prescription medication, if stored on-site, is stored in original manufacturer's packaging together with the manufacturer's directions and warnings; and (i) prescription medication, if stored on-site, is stored in original pharmacy packaging or individual pharmacy bubble pack together with the pharmacy label, directions, and warnings.						
R501-1-8(2) The licensee shall accommodate a client with physical disabilities as needed or appropriately refer to comparable services.						
R501-1-8(3) The licensee shall maintain medication and potentially hazardous items on-site lawfully, responsibly, and with consideration of the safety and risk level of the population served to include locked storage for each medication and hazardous chemical that is not in active use.						
R501-1-8(4) The licensee shall maintain a first aid kit						

Residential Program Additional Facilities and Safety Requirements	R	UR	NA		Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-1-9(1) A residential licensee shall ensure: (a) designated space is available for records, administrative work, & confidential phone calls for clients; (c) live-in staff have dedicated bedrooms & bathrooms separate from client use; (d) each bedroom designated for a client is comparable to other similarly utilized bedrooms with similar access, location, space, finishings, and furnishings; (e) clients are not locked in bedrooms; (f) a mirror or safety mirror is secured to each bathroom wall at a convenient height; (g) each bathroom is placed to allow access to each client without disturbing any other client during sleeping hours; (h) each bath or shower allows for individual privacy; (i) each client is supplied with hygiene supplies; (j) each sleeping area has a source of natural light and is ventilated by mechanical means or is equipped with a window that opens; (k) each client has a similar solid type of bed or sleeping equipment to any other client in the program; (l) each client is allowed to decorate & personalize their bedroom, while maintaining respect for other residents and property; (m) there are separate containers for soiled & clean laundry, if the program provides common laundry for towels, bedding or clothing; (n) bedding & towels are laundered weekly & after each client is discharged; (o) equipment and supplies for washing & drying laundry are provided, if the program permits clients to do their own laundry; (p) there is at least 60 sq ft per person in a multiple occupancy bedroom and 80 sq ft in a single occupant bedroom.						
R501-1-9(2) A residential program licensee serving individuals with disabilities shall house no more than two clients in each bedroom.						
R501-1-9(3) The licensee utilizing seclusion rooms shall ensure the following: (a) seclusion rooms measure a minimum of 75 sq ft and have a minimum ceiling height of 7 ft with no equipment, hardware or furnishings that obstruct staff's view of the client or present a hazard; (b) a seclusion room shall have either natural or mechanical ventilation with break resistant windows and either a break resistant two-way mirror or camera that allows for observation of the entire room; (c) a seclusion room may not have locking capability and may not be located in closets, bathrooms, unfurnished areas or other areas not designated as part of residential living space; and (d) a bedroom may not be utilized as a seclusion room and a seclusion room may not be utilized as a bedroom.						
R501-1-9(5) The licensee shall train staff and ensure that the use of any alternate sleeping arrangements other than the client's assigned bedroom complies with Subsection R501-1-4(7) and: (a) preserves client dignity and confidentiality; (b) shall be done on an individualized, time delimited basis; (c) may not be utilized due to staffing shortages or for staff convenience; and (d) may not be used as behavior management or consequence.						
Food Service Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes

R501-1-10(2) A licensee that provides meals shall: (a) ensure that meals are not used as incentive or punishment; (b) provide nutritional counseling to staff and clients; (c) designate staff responsible for food service who: (i) maintain a current list of each client with special nutritional needs; and (ii) ensure that each client with special nutritional needs has food storage and a preparation area that is not exposed to any identified allergen or contaminant; (d) except in a day treatment program serving clients for less than ten hours a day, or outpatient programs serving clients for less than six consecutive hours a day, provide a variety of three nutritious meals a day that are: (i) served from dietitian or nutritionist approved menus; or (ii) for programs serving individuals experiencing homelessness, serve meals as required by USDA standard homeless settings; (f) provide adequate dining space for clients that is maintained in a clean and safe condition.						
R501-1-10(3) A licensee that allows self-serve meals shall ensure that self-serve kitchen users are supervised, directed, and trained by a staff that has a food handler's permit or is trained by Serv-Safe, USDA, or a comparable program.						
R501-1-10(4) A licensee that serves parents and their children may allow a consenting adult client to maintain full responsibility for their, and their child's, special dietary needs, if consent is maintained in writing in the client record.						
R501-1-10(5) A licensee that offers meals for clients shall ensure there is documented training confirming staff are trained to and adhere to the following safe practices: (a) how to identify and accommodate clients with special dietary needs; and (b) allowances for nutritious snacks to be available during restricted hours if the program restricts access to food and kitchen equipment.						
R501-1-10(6) If meals are prepared by clients, the licensee shall inform staff and clients in writing of the following: (a) rules and privileges of kitchen use; (b) menu planning and procedures; (c) sharing self-prepared food; (d) nutrition and sanitation requirements; (e) schedule of responsibilities; and (f) shopping and storage responsibilities.						
Program Client Record Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes

R501-1-11(1) The licensee shall maintain client information to include the following: (a) client name, address, email address, phone number, date of birth and identified gender; (b) emergency contact names, including legal guardian where applicable, and at minimum, the emergency contact's physical address, current email address or current phone numbers; (c) a program serving substance use disorder clients shall maintain compliance with an initial and annual client tuberculosis screening results in each client record; (d) any information that could affect health safety or well-being of the client including each medication, allergy, chronic condition or communicable disease; (e) intake screening and assessment; (f) discharge documentation; (g) treatment or service plan; (h) progress notes and services provided with date and signature of staff completing each entry; (i) individualized assessment for restriction of access to on-site items that could be used as weapons, for self-directed violence, or as an intoxicant; (j) any referral arrangements made by the program; (k) client or guardian signed consent or court order of commitment to services in lieu of signed consent for each treatment and non-clinical service; (l) summary of attendance and absences in treatment services; (m) any grievance or complaint made by or against the client and actions taken by the program; (n) each crisis intervention or critical incident report involving the client; and (o) any signed agreement and consent form.						
Program Intake and Discharge Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-1-12(1) The licensee shall complete an intake screening before accepting a client into the program that includes at least: (a) verification that the client meets the eligibility requirements of the program; (b) verification that the client does not meet any of the exclusionary criteria that the program identified in policy as unable to serve; (c) description of presenting needs; and (d) suicide risk screening.			0			
R501-1-12(2) A licensee serving substance use disorder clients may not admit anyone who is unresponsive or unable to consent to care because the individual is experiencing convulsions, in shock, delirium tremens, in a coma, or unconscious.						
R501-1-12(3) A licensee serving incarcerated or court-mandated justice involved clients shall: (a) conduct a criminogenic risk assessment; (c) separate high and low criminogenic risk populations.						
R501-1-12(4) The licensee shall ensure that , the client, parent, or guardian signs and receives copies of the following agreements to be maintained as client records: (a) determination of eligibility; (b) fee agreement outlining costs of services including program, client, parent, or guardian responsibility for payment; and (c) signed consent for treatment that outlines: (i) rules of the program; (ii) expectations of clients, parents, and guardians; (iii) services to be provided; (iv) Medicaid number, insurance information, and identification of any other entities that are billed for the client's services; (v) client rights; and (vi) licensing contact information.						

R501-1-12(5) The licensee shall ensure that a discharge plan identifies resources available to a client and includes: (a) reason for discharge or transfer; (b) aftercare plan; (c) summary of services provided; and (d) progress evaluation.						
Residential Additional Program Intake and Discharge Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-1-13(1) A residential program licensee shall ensure an intake assessment is completed following an approved intake screening, no later than seven days from the admission date, and that the assessment considers and contains: (a) gender identity and individualized assessment for bedroom and bathroom assignments; (b) cultural background; (c) dominant language and mode of communication; (d) family history and dynamics; (e) current and past health and medical history; (f) social, psychological, developmental, vocational, and, as appropriate, educational factors; (h) authorization to serve and obtain emergency care.						
R501-1-13(2) A residential program licensee may not serve youth from out of state without a disruption plan, and as applicable, Interstate Compact Placement of Children (ICPC).						
R501-1-13(3) A congregate care program licensee shall ensure that each congregate care disruption plan complies with the following: (a) the program retains jurisdiction and responsibility for the youth while the youth remains in Utah; and (b) the program completes an individualized disruption plan at the time of intake for each out of state client to include: (i) who is responsible for the child's return if placement at the facility disrupts; (ii) current emergency contact information to include the name, address, phone and email address of the parent or responsible person; (iii) a signed statement from parent or responsible person outlining the plan for the youth in the event of an unplanned disruption in care; and (iv) a plan for safe transportation either to the state of origin, the responsible person as identified in Subsection R501-1-13(3)(b)(i) or to another licensed congregate care program or higher level of care, as needed.						
R501-1-13(5) A congregate care program licensee shall report private placements to the office by completing the congregate care out of state placement survey on the office website no later than the fifth business day of each month.						
Program Clinical Services	R	UR	NA		Technical Assistance Given	Notes

R501-1-14(1) A licensee that offers clinical treatment shall: (a) assign a clinical director to ensure that assessment, treatment, and service planning practices are: (i) regularly reviewed and updated; (ii) individualized; and (iii) designed to involve the participation of each client or each client's parent or guardian; (b) ensure each person working directly with a client is informed of the client's individual treatment needs and advised of the best approach to working with that client; (c) ensure client treatment plans are developed and signed by a licensed clinical professional within 30 days of admission; (d) ensure discharge goals are identified in the initial treatment plan and treatment goals are structured around the identified discharge goals and objectives; (e) ensure that each client identified for treatment receives individual treatment at least weekly; and (f) ensure any missing individual weekly treatment is justified, approved, and documented by the clinical director.						
R501-1-14(2)(a) A residential program licensee shall ensure that in addition to the required weekly individual therapy, frequency and need for family and group therapy and other clinical services are addressed in the individual's treatment plan. (b) A non-residential program licensee who offers clinical treatment may alter the weekly therapy requirement as designated in the individual's treatment plan.						
R501-1-14(4) A licensee who offers group counseling, family counseling, skills development, or other treatment shall offer and document these treatment services as prescribed in the treatment plan.						
Program Staffing	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
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R501-1-15(8) The licensee shall ensure that each person involved with the prescription, administration, or dispensing of controlled substances maintains appropriate medical or pharmacy licenses and DEA registration numbers						
R501-1-15(9) The licensee shall create and maintain personnel information for each staff member, contracted employee, and volunteer.						
R501-1-15(10) The licensee shall ensure that personnel information includes: (a) any applicable qualification, experience, certification, or license; (b) any approved and current office background clearance, except as excluded in Rule R501-14; (c) a provider code of conduct that is signed by the staff member, contracted employee, or volunteer; (d) any pre-service and annual training records with the date completed, topic, and the individual's signed acknowledgment of training completion; (e) any grievances or complaints made by or against the individual and actions taken by the program; & (f) each crisis intervention or critical incident report involving the individual.						
R501-1-15(11) The licensee shall ensure that at least one CPR and First Aid-certified staff member is available when staff and clients are present unless a currently licensed healthcare professional is present.						
Personnel Training Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Assistance	Notes
R501-1-16(1) The licensee shall ensure that each staff receives pre-serving training on the following topics before being left unsupervised and within 30-days of hire: (a) program policies, procedures and safe practices as outlined in Section R501-1-5; (b) program emergency preparedness, response, and recovery plan, including at least: (i) emergency procedures to instruct staff how to address incident reporting, continuity of care, transport, relocation, and client health and safety during natural disasters, extreme weather events, fire, utility or structural failures, or other unexpected disruptions to the program service; and (ii) instructions to staff regarding how to report and respond to significant criminal activity and significant medical emergencies; (c) CPR and First Aid; (d) client eligibility, emphasizing the behaviors and circumstances the program can safely manage; (e) staff involvement and responsibility in the intake, discharge, and unplanned discharge processes; (f) client rights; (g) supervision and ratios; (h) as applicable, medications management, storing, and administration; (i) as applicable, medications management, storing, and administration; (i) as applicable, food handling as outlined in Subsection R501-1-10(3); (j) background checks; (k) prevention, signs and symptoms of abuse and neglect, including sexual abuse, and legal reporting requirements; (l) provider code of conduct as outlined in Rule 380-80; (m) non-discrimination policy in accordance with Section 26B-2-109 that includes a prohibition of abuse, discrimination, and harassment based on sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation; (n) staff and client grievance procedures; (o) crisis intervention;						

(p) appropriate use or restraint and seciusion; (q) de-escalation techniques; (r) appropriate searches; (s) appropriate and inappropriate behaviors of clients; (t) appropriate and inappropriate staff responses to client behaviors; and (u) if applicable, staff response to a client leaving a program without permission.			
RS01-1-16(2) The licensee shall ensure each staff completes the following training topics each year, based on the program's license date: (a) program policies, procedures and safe practices as outlined in Section R501-1-4; (b) general provisions and applicable categorical licensing rule; (c) client eligibility, as outlined in Subsection R501-1-6(1)(e), emphasizing the behaviors and circumstances the program can safely manage; (d) staff involvement and responsibility in the intake, discharge, and unplanned discharge processes; (e) provider code of conduct as outlined in Rule R380-80; (f) program plan for the prevention or control of infectious and communicable disease to include coordination with and following any guidance of the state or local health authorities, Center for Disease Control, and the department; (g) emergency procedures to instruct staff how to address incident reporting, continuity of care, transport, relocation, and client health and safety during natural disasters, extreme weather events, fire, utility or structural failures, or other unexpected disruptions to the program service; (g) emergency procedures to instruct staff how to address incident reporting, continuity of care, transport, relocation, and client health and safety during natural disasters, extreme weather events, fire, utility or structural failures, or other unexpected disruptions to the program service; (g) pergarm rules regarding firearms that does not conflict with constitutional or statutory rights regarding concealed weapons permits as described in Title 53, Chapter 5, Part 7, Concealed Firearms Act; (i) smoking rules in accordance with Title 26B, Chapter 7, Part 5, Regulation of Smoking, Tobacco Products, and Niccine Products; (g) how to manage clients who screen with elevated suicide risk levels; (k) general incident reporting; (l) prevention, signs, and symptoms of abuse and neglect, including sexual abuse, and legal reporting requirements; (m) CPR and first aid; (n) if storing and administering medication			

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Administration	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes					
R501-8-3(1) Each outdoor youth program shall provide an educational component as determined by the Utah State Board of Education for clients 18 years of age or younger who have been removed from their educational opportunities for more than one month. The administrators of the program shall meet and document cooperation with the State Board of Education.	0		0								
Program Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes					
R501-8-4(4). Each client has clothing and equipment to protect them from the environment. This equipment is never be removed, denied, or made unavailable.											
R501-8-4(5). During an expedition, if a client refuses or cannot hike or to carry the client's equipment, the group ceases hiking. The program establishes, documents, and resolves the reasons for the client's refusal or inability to continue before hiking continues.			0								
R501-8-4(6). Deprivation of essential equipment or items is not used as a consequence.											
R501-8-4(7). The program conducts an individual assessment of each client's recommended backpack weight. Each backpack weight guideline may not exceed 20 % of the client's body weight. If a client is required to carry other items, the total weight carried must not exceed 30 % of the client's body weight unless individually documented with parental permission to exceed this ratio.			0								
R501-8-4(8). The program provides clients with clean clothing at least weekly and provides a means for each client to bathe or otherwise clean the client's body at least twice weekly.											
R501-8-4(9). Hiking does not exceed the physical capability of the weakest member of the group. Hiking is prohibited at temperatures above 90 degrees F. or at temperatures below ten degrees F.			0								
R501-8-4(10). A field staff in each group carries a means to accurately measure and display the current temperature.											
R501-8-4(11). Each expedition plan including map routes, anticipated schedules, and times is carried by the field staff and recorded in the field office.											
R501-8-4(12). A field staff in each group maintains a signed daily log or dictates a recorded log to be transcribed and signed immediately following termination of the activity to contain the following information: (a) each critical incident; (b) prescription compliance; (c) each medical concern; (d) each behavioral concern or refusal to hike and how the concern is addressed; (e) each unusual occurrence; and (f) each log entry that is recorded is in an un-editable format and remains available to the office upon request.											
R501-8-4(13). Each program staff is required to carry an accurate, reliable time piece accurately reflecting the time of day and for documentation purposes in log notes and incident reports.											
R501-8-4(14). Program administration trains each staff regarding the standards of this section and regularly monitors and ensures compliance.											

Staff, Interns, and Volunteers	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-5(1). The outdoor youth program has a governing body and an executive director who has responsibility and authority over the policies and activities of the program and coordinates office and support services and training. The executive director has the following qualifications: (a) be at least 25 years of age; (b) have a bachelor's degree or equal training and experience in a related field; (c) have at least two years of outdoor youth program administrative experience; (d) have at least 30 credit hours education in recreational therapy or related experience or one-year outdoor youth program field experience; (e) demonstrate knowledge and understanding of relevant licensing rules; and (f) have completed each required staff training.		0				
R501-8-5(2). The outdoor youth program has a direct care field director who has primary responsibility for coordinating field operations, managing field staff, operating the field office, and supervising emergency response procedures.				0		
R501-8-5(3). A field director or a qualified designee must: (a) be trained as a direct care staff in accordance with Section R501-1-14; (b) be at least 25 years of age; (c) have a bachelor's degree or equal training and experience in a related field; (c) have at least two years of outdoor youth program field experience; (d) visit in the field at least two days a week with no more than five days between visits; and (e) document each field visit, including: (i) the condition of each client; (ii) interactions with clients and staff; (iii) incidents and interventions to be reported to each client's guardian and the office; (iv) each report of compliance with Subsection 62A-2-123(6) regarding weekly confidential communication with family; and (v) staff compliance with each policy and rule.						
R501-8-5(4). The outdoor youth program has field support staff to be responsible for delivering supplies and mail to the field, communication with each client in the field, and first aid support.						
R501-8-5(5). Each outdoor youth program group has direct care senior field staff working directly with the clients and who meet the following qualifications: (a) be trained as a direct care staff in accordance with Section R501-1-14; (b) be at least 21 years of age; (c) have an associate's degree or high school diploma with 30 credit hours of education and training or comparable experience and training in a related field; and (d) have six months outdoor youth program field experience or comparable experience which shall be documented in the individual's personnel file.		0				
R501-8-5(6). The outdoor youth program has direct care field staff working directly with the clients and meet the following qualifications: (a) be at least 20 years of age; (b) have a high school diploma or equivalent; (c) have 48 field-days of outdoor youth program experience or comparable experience which shall be documented in the individual's personnel file; and (d) exhibit skilled leadership.	0	0	0			

R501-8-5(7). The outdoor youth program has direct care assistant field staff as required to meet or exceed staff to client ratios. Assistant field staff meet the following qualifications: (a) be at least 19 years of age; (b) have a high school diploma or equivalent; (c) have 24 field days of outdoor youth programs experience; and (d) exhibit skilled leadership.						
R501-8-5(8). The outdoor youth program has a licensed physician and mental health professional accessible to each client.						
RS01-8-5(9). If the outdoor youth program has interns or volunteers who are learning the program practices while completing educational requirements: (a) Each intern must be at least 19 years of age. (b) Each volunteer must be at least 18 years of age. (c) Staff training must be completed by each incoming staff including interns and volunteers regardless of background experience. (d) Each volunteer and intern must be supervised by the clinical director, program administration, or senior direct care staff. (e) Each intern and volunteer may never directly supervise a client.						
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Client Supervision and Ratios	R	UR	NA	During Inspection	Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-6(1). Each youth group is directly supervised by at least two direct care staff, one of which is a direct care senior field	R	UR	NA	0		Notes
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R501-8-7(2). Initial staff training is not considered completed until the staff have demonstrated to the field director proficiency in each of the following areas: (a) counseling, teaching and supervisory skills; (b) water, food, and shelter procurement, preparation, and conservation; (c) low impact wilderness expedition and environmental conservation skills and procedures; (d) client management, including containment, control, safety, conflict resolution, and behavior management; (e) instruction in safety procedures and safe equipment use, fuel, fire, life protection,& related tools; (f) instruction in emergency procedure, medical treatment, evacuation, weather, signaling, fire, and dealing with runaway and lost clients; (g) sanitation procedures, water, trash, human waste, food handling; (h) wilderness medicine, including health issues related to acclimation, exposure to the environment, and anaphylaxis; (i) CPR, standard first aid, first aid kit contents and use, and the program's medication management policy and procedure; (j) navigation skills, including map and compass use and contour and celestial navigation; (k) local environmental precautions, including terrain, weather, spiders, ticks, scorpions, snakes, insects, predatory animals, poisonous plants, giardia, frostbite, hypothermia, heat exhaustion, dehydration, responses to adverse situations, and emergency evacuation; (i) leadership and judgment; (m) report writing, including required development and maintenance of logs; and (n) federal, state, and local regulations.						
R501-8-7(3). At least 80 hours of initial staff training is completed, documented, and maintained in each staff personnel file.						
R501-8-7(4). The field director or equally qualified designee documents in each personnel file how the field director or qualified designee determined that each staff has demonstrated proficiency in each of the required topic areas as listed in Subsection (2) of this section.						
R501-8-7(5). Each initial staff training and demonstration of proficiency is completed and documented before the staff may count in the staff client ratio.						
R501-8-7(6). The program provides and documents on-going staff training to improve proficiency in knowledge and skills and to maintain certifications.						
Staff Health Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-8(1). Before engaging in any field activity, each staff adhereS to the following: (a) each field staff, intern, and volunteer haS an annual physical examination and health history signed by a licensed medical professional; (b) a recognized physical stress assessment is completed as part of the physical examination of each staff; (c) the physical examination of each staff is reviewed and maintained by the provider in the staff personnel file; and (d) each program staff, intern, and volunteer submits to drug and alcohol screening upon request.						
Client Admission Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-9(1). Clients are no younger than 13 years of age and no older than 17 years of age and have a current health history report which includes notation of client physical limitations and prescriptive medications.						

R501-8-9(2). The health history report is completed, submitted, and verified by each client's parent or guardian as part of the intake screening or assessment in accordance with Sections R501-1-18 and R501-1-23 and before entry into the field.					0	
R501-8-9(3). An admissions assessment is conducted by a treatment professional before each client enters into the field and includes the following: (a) a review of each client's social and psychological history with the client's parent or legal guardian before enrollment; and (b) an interview with the client before entrance into the field program.			0			
R501-8-9(4). Before entry into the field and within 15 days of admission to the program, the following requirements are met: (a) a licensed medical professional must review each client's health history report and conduct a physical examination; and (b) the program provides a physical examination form to a licensed medical professional that clearly states a description of the physical demands and environment of the program, and requires the following information before a client may enter the field: (i) a urinalysis drug screen; (ii) a complete blood count (CBC) unless waived in writing by the client's parent or guardian; (iii) a complete metabolic profile (CMP) unless waived in writing by the client's parent or guardian; (iv) a urinalysis for possible infections; (v) a pregnancy test; (vi) a physical stress assessment; (vii) a determination by the physician if detoxification is indicated for client before entrance into field portion of the program; (vii) any other tests as necessary to assess fitness for the field portion of the program; and (ix) a medical professional shall review current and historical medical data and approve the client to enter the field with recommendations for any medical monitoring.						
R501-8-9(5). A copy of each client's medical forms and approvals are maintained at the field office and another copy is carried by staff members in a waterproof container throughout the field expedition.		0	0			
R501-8-9(6). The program clinically reviews each client's psychological history and conducts an additional psychological assessment as clinically necessary before the client's entry into the field.						
R501-8-9(7). Upon admission and for a period of no fewer than three days in the field, direct care field staff closely monitor each client for any health problems that may be a result of hiking or living outdoors.						
Water and Nutritional Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-10(1). At least six quarts of potable water are available per person per day, plus one additional quart per person for each five miles hiked. Although it is not required that the entire amount be hand carried, water is always accessible during hiking.		0	0		0	
R501-8-10(2). In temperatures above 90 degrees F., staff make sure each client's fluid intake is at least three quarts of water per day.						
R501-8-10(3). Each field group in the field always has electrolyte replacement available.						
R501-8-10(4). In temperatures above 80 degrees F., water is available for coating each client's body, and other techniques are available for cooling as needed.						
R501-8-10(5). Potable water is available at each campsite. Water cache location information is verified with field staff before the group leaves camp each day.						

R501-8-10(6). No expedition group depends on aerial drops for water. Aerial water drops are used for emergency situations only.						
R501-8-10(7). Water from natural sources is made safe to drink through boiling, filtering, or disinfection in accordance with the center for disease control guidance.						
R501-8-10(8). The outdoor youth program has a written menu describing food supplied to the client which provides at least 3,000 calories per day while in the field. There are fresh fruit and vegetables available at least twice a week. Food is never withheld from a client for any reason. If no fire is available, other food of equal caloric value, which does not require cooking, is available. (a) The menu is adjusted to increase minimum dietary needs as energy expenditure, including exercise and climate conditions, dictate. (b) Food is from a balance of the food groups. (c) Forage items do not count toward the determination of caloric intake. (d) Multiple vitamin supplements are offered daily.		0				
Health Care	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-11(1). The outdoor youth program provides first aid treatment promptly.						
R501-8-11(2). When a client has an illness or physical complaint that does not respond to or cannot be treated by standard first aid, the program immediately arranges for the client to be seen and treated as indicated by a licensed medical professional.	0					
R501-8-11(3). Each client's physical condition is assessed at least every 14 days by a qualified medical professional. Blood pressure, heart rate, allergies, and general physical condition are checked and documented. Any assessment concerns are documented, and the client is taken to the appropriate medical professional for treatment. There are no consequences issued to a client for requesting to see a healthcare professional or for anything said to a health care professional.			0			
R501-8-11(4). Each prescription and over the counter medication is kept in the secure possession of designated staff and provided to clients in accordance with labels or prescription directions.						
R501-8-11(5). Staff are trained for medication administration in accordance with Rule R501-1 and communicate with the field director and document reason and plan for any lost or missing prescription medication.						
R501-8-11(6). A foot check is conducted at least twice daily and documented.						
Safety	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-12(1). Each first aid kits includes sufficient supplies for the activity, location, and environment as approved by the program's medical professional. First aid kit supplies are available during each field activity.	0					
R501-8-12(2). Each outdoor youth program has a support system that meets the following criteria: (a) reliable daily two-way radio communications between groups and with support staff, with additional charged battery packs and a reliable backup system of contact in the event the radio system fails; (b) the support vehicles and field office are equipped with first aid equipment; (c) the support and field staff have access to contact information including telephone numbers, locations, contact personnel, maps, medical forms, and procedures for an emergency evacuation or field incident; and (d) daily morning and evening contacts are completed between field staff, support staff, and the field office and contacts are documented in the field office log daily.	0		0			

Field Office	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-13(1). The program maintains a field office.						
R501-8-13(2). Communication systems between the field and the field office are monitored 24 hours a day when clients are in the field.						
R501-8-13(3). Support staff respond immediately to any emergency situation.						
R501-8-13(4). Support staff on duty are within one hour of any field group.						
R501-8-13(5). When staff are not present in the field office a contact telephone number is posted on the field office door and the field director designates responsible on-call staff who continually monitors communications and remains available and able to access all necessary equipment and files within 15 minutes.						
R501-8-13(6). Field office staff adhere to the following: (a) maintain current staff and client records in accordance with Rule R501-1; (b) maintain a master map of each activity area; (c) maintain copies of each expeditionary route with its schedule and itinerary to be immediately available to the office and emergency medical services, law enforcement or search and rescue agencies as needed; (d) maintain a log of daily communications; (e) be responsible for training and orientation, management of field personnel, related files, and records; and (f) be responsible for maintaining communications, inspecting equipment, and overseeing medical incidents.						
Environmental Requirements	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-14(1). The outdoor youth program adheres to land use agency requirements including sanitation and low impact camping.						
R501-8-14(2). Each client is continuously supervised in the observance of low impact camping requirements.						
R501-8-14(3). Personal hygiene supplies are of biodegradable materials or packed out and properly disposed of.						
Evaluation	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-15(1). Following the wilderness experience, each client receives a debriefing to include a written summary of the client's participation and the progress the client achieved.						
R501-8-15(2). Each guardian, client, or other involved individuals are provided the opportunity and be encouraged to submit a written evaluation of the wilderness experience, which is retained by the program in the client file record.						
Individual Experiences	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes

RS01-8-16(1). If an outdoor youth program conducts an individual component for clients as part of the program, the program has and follows written policies and procedures, which include the following: (a) an assessment of each client's ability to safely participate in the experience; (b) a description of the individual component to ensure that each client is not exposed to an unreasonable risk; (c) guardian permission for the youth to participate in the experience; (d) a policy that individual experiences are not required and must be entered voluntarily by the client or only as clinically indicated; (e) a policy of providing preparatory instruction and guidance to the client before an individual experience; (f) an individual assessment of client readiness; (g) a description of the maximum duration of each individual experience; (h) a policy explaining that a solo experience may not be used as a punishment or general practice; (i) a policy that each staff shall be familiar with the area chosen to conduct individual experiences; (i) a supervision plan for each individual event with a frequent check-in to allow each client to rescind voluntary participation and go back to the group; (k) documentation of the duration of each individual event; (l) a plan for managing emergencies; and (m) documentation of how each individual program component is not used as seclusion or in violation of Section 62A-2-123.						
Stationary Campsites	R	UR	NA	Corrected During Inspection	Technical Assistance Given	Notes
R501-8-17(1). If the program offering a stationary camp that does not provide a 24-hour outdoor group living environment may require residential treatment licensure.					0	
R501-8-17(2). If the outdoor youth program maintains a designated building to serve a client, the program s subject to fire, health, and safety standards. (a) A stationary outdoor youth program camp shall be inspected by a certified fire inspector before being occupied and on an annual basis thereafter. A copy of the inspection shall be maintained at the outdoor youth program camp. (b) At least one 2-A-10BC type fire extinguisher shall be in a group of tents within a 75- foot travel distance. (c) Flammable liquids may not be used to start fires, be stored in structures that house clients, or be stored near ignition sources. If generators are used, they will only be refueled by staff when the generator is not running and cool to the touch. (d) A stationary outdoor youth program camp shall be inspected by the local health department before being occupied and on an annual basis thereafter. A copy of the inspection shall be maintained at the site of the camp. (e) Food shall be stored, prepared, and served in a manner that is protected from contamination. (f) Each water supply shall be from a source that is accepted by the local health authority according to Rule R392-300, Recreation Camp Sanitation, at the time of application and for annual renewal of such licenses. (g) Sewage shall be disposed of through a public system, or in absence of a public system, in a manner approved by the local health authority, according to Rule R392-300, Recreation Camp Sanitation.						