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Providers must maintain case records for all <u>Early and Periodic Screening</u>, <u>Diagnostic</u>, <u>and</u> <u>Treatment (EPSDT) – Personal Care Services (PCS)</u> beneficiaries and personnel records on all supervisory and direct care staff. Records must be complete, accurately documented, readily accessible, and organized. All records must be retained for a period of <u>five six</u> years. Billing records must be maintained for a period of <u>five six</u> years from the date of payment.

Any error made in a beneficiary's or employee's record must be corrected using the legal method which is to draw a line through the incorrect information, write "error" by it and initial the correction. Correction fluid must never be used in a beneficiary's or employee's record.

There shall be a clear audit trail between <u>the</u>:

- 1. <u>The pP</u>rescribing practitioner;
- 2. <u>The pP</u>ersonal care services provider agency;
- 3. The <u>pP</u>erson providing the <u>personal care services</u> to the beneficiary; and
- 4. <u>The sS</u>ervices provided and reimbursed by Medicaid.

Beneficiary Records

Providers must provide reasonable protection for beneficiary records against loss, damage, destruction, and unauthorized use. A provider must have a separate written record for each beneficiary that includes:

- 1. Copies of all <u>Plans plans</u> of <u>Care care (POC)</u>, <u>Social social</u> <u>Assessmentsassessments</u>, EPSDT - PCS Form 90, EPSDT - PCS <u>Daily daily</u> <u>Schedule schedule Formsforms</u>, and Practitioner's Order/Prescription for EPSDT - <u>Personal Care ServicesPCS</u>;
- 2. Dates and results of all evaluation/diagnosis provided in the interest of establishing or modifying the <u>Plan of CarePOC</u> including the tests performed and results, copies of evaluation and diagnostic assessment reports signed by the individual performing the test and/or interpreting the results;
- 3. Documentation of approval of services by <u>the Bureau of Health Services Financing</u> (BHSF) or its designee; and

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- 4. Documentation of the provision of services by the <u>Personal Care ServicesPCS</u> worker including signed daily notes by the worker, and supervisor if appropriate, that include the following:
 - a. Date of service;
 - b. Services provided (checklist is adequate);
 - c. Total number of hours worked;
 - d. Time period worked;
 - e. Condition of beneficiary;
 - f. Service provision difficulties;
 - g. Justification for not providing scheduled services; and
 - h. Any other pertinent information.

Availability of Records

Providers must make beneficiary and personnel records available to <u>the Louisiana Department of</u> <u>Health (LDH)</u>, its designee and/or other state and federal agencies upon request. The provider shall be responsible for incurring the cost of copying records for LDH or its designee.