#### RULE

# Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing Office of Aging and Adult Services and Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities

# Home and Community-Based Services Waivers Provider Requirements (LAC 50:XXI.Chapter 9)

The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, the Office of Aging and Adult Services and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities have amended LAC 50:XXI.901 and §903 and adopted §904 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

#### Title 50

## PUBLIC HEALTH-MEDICAL ASSISTANCE Part XXI. Home and Community-Based Services Waivers Subpart 1. General Provisions

Chapter 9. Provider Requirements

Subchapter A. General Provisions

§901. Settings Requirements for Service Delivery

A. - A.5. ...

B. In a provider-owned or controlled non-residential setting, in addition to the qualities listed in Subsection A above, the following additional conditions must be met:

1. - 3. ...

C. In a provider-owned or controlled residential setting, in addition to the qualities listed in Subsections A and B above, the following additional conditions must be met.

1. The unit or dwelling shall be a specific physical place that can be owned, rented or occupied under a legally enforceable agreement by the individual receiving services, and the individual has, at a minimum, the same responsibilities and protections from eviction that tenants have under the landlord/tenant laws of the state, parish, city, or other designated entity. For settings in which landlord/tenant laws do not apply, the state must ensure that a lease, residency agreement or other form of written agreement will be in place for each HCBS participant, and that the document provides protections that address eviction processes and appeals comparable to those provided under the jurisdiction's landlord/tenant law.

C.2. - D. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, the Office of Aging and Adult Services and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 43:1978 (October 2017), amended LR 45:

#### §903. Electronic Visit Verification

A. An electronic visit verification (EVV) system must be used for time and attendance tracking and post-authorization for home and community-based services.

1. - 2.b. ...

3. Requirements for proper use of the EVV system are outlined in the respective program's Medicaid provider manual.

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### §904. Social Security Verification

A. Home and community-based waiver providers shall verify all currently employed and all new employees' Social Security numbers either by obtaining a copy of the employee's Social

Security card or through a Social Security number verification service.

B. A copy of the employee's Social Security card or proof of verification shall be kept in the employee's record.

 The department or its designee reserves the right to request verification of an employee's Social Security number at any time.

2. Should the provider be unable to provide proof of verification, payments associated with that employee's previously billed time may be recouped and/or future reimbursement withheld until proper verification is submitted.

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Implementation of the provisions of this Rule may be contingent upon the approval of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), if it is determined that submission to CMS for review and approval is required.

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