



**Mississippi Department of Mental Health Home and Community-Based Services
Heightened Scrutiny Evaluation**

Summary Sheet

Provider Name	Region 12 Pine Belt Mental Healthcare Resources
Setting Name	Greene County - Leakesville
Setting Address	
	Leakesville, Mississippi, 39451
Original Site Assessment Date	October 25, 2018
Validation Date	June 29, 2020

Setting Type

- Supervised Supported Living
- Shared Supported Living
- Day Services – Adult / Day Habilitation
- Prevocational Services
- Community Respite

Heightened Scrutiny Category

- Located in a building that is also a publicly or privately operated facility that provides inpatient institutional treatment (such as a hospital, nursing facility, ICF/IID, or IMD);
- Located in a building on the grounds of, or adjacent to, a public institution; or
- Has the effect of isolating individuals receiving Medicaid home- and community-based services (HCBS) from the broader community of individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS

Setting Description
The setting is located in a commercial setting among local businesses, including a pharmacy and multiple eateries.
Summary of the Assessment Findings - 10/25/2018

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1D) Site is co-located with another adult day program run by Community Development Inc. (CDI). The two sites are separated by a wall, but both are open, and people can walk between the two. CDI runs the food service that is shared by Region12 Pine Belt MH.

1E) Site designed for those with disabilities.

3G/7G) Not clear if shelf for people's belongings is secure.

4B2) Site has no outdoor gathering space.

7K) Both people say they can only eat at the table.

7N) One person reported having to go with others to activities in the community when she didn't want to.

Compliance Validation Narrative with Provider Input

6/29/2020

1D) Provider stated that they share this space with Community Development Inc., stating that this organization provides adult day care services and meals for individuals who are part of the Assisted Living Waiver. They stated that people from both sides are able to come and go as they please between the two spaces.

1E) Provider stated that this setting was specifically designed for individuals with disabilities, adding that the setting only serves those who receiving services.

3G/7G) Provider explained that multiple closets and cabinets are available for individuals to use in the setting if they wish to securely store their belongings. They said people have the option of bringing their own locks or requesting one from the provider if they wish to keep their items locked up in the setting. They said these options are discussed with individuals in the setting, so they are aware of their right to secure their personal belongings.

4B2) Provider stated that setting does not have a dedicated outdoor space; however, they stated that individuals are able to come and go as they please, noting that people are able to take breaks outside of the building if desired. They stated that a few chairs are available on the sidewalk outside of the door if they want to take a minute to be alone or spend time with friends/visitors outside.

7K) Individuals are supported to eat the food of their choice in the location of their choosing. Private dining options, inside and outside, are available if people wish to have alone time on site.

7N) Individuals are supported to have individualized activities, which includes choosing who they participate in activities with on and off site. Additionally, individuals have the option of staying on site with other staff members if they do not want to participate in community activities.

Evidence Submitted to DMH for Review:

BIDD staff received short drafts of policies for access to food, choice in activity participation, and secure storage, as well as a brief statement regarding program philosophy.

Compliance Summary

Compliant?	Federal Requirement	Summary of Evidence of Compliance
<p>42 CFR 441.304(c)(4)(i)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>The setting is integrated in and supports full access of individuals receiving Medicaid HCBS to the greater community, including opportunities to seek employment and work in competitive integrated settings, engage in community life, control personal resources, and receive services in the community, to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS. 42 C.F.R. § 441.304(c)(4)(i).</p>	<p>The program setting is located in a commercial area where individuals have regular access to the community.</p> <p>Regular activities are provided in the setting on a daily basis and people engage in activities in the community to develop their social, purchasing, and communication skills. Individuals regularly interact with members of the broader community while shopping, spending time at the park, and participating in local festivals.</p> <p>Staff members assess people individually to learn more about their required supports, preferences, goals, and interests.</p>
<p>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(ii)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable</p>	<p>The setting is selected by the individual from among setting options including non-disability specific settings and an option for a private unit in a residential setting. The setting options are identified and documented in the person-centered service plan and are based on the individual's needs, preferences, and for residential settings, resources available for room and board. <i>Id.</i> § 441.301(c)(4)(ii).</p>	<p>Individuals have flexibility in their daily schedules and are able to engage in the activities of their choosing. Staff members work with individuals in selecting activities based off of their personal preferences and information in their support plans.</p> <p>People have flexibility in when they can eat and take breaks on site.</p>
<p>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(iii)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>The setting ensures an individual's rights of privacy, dignity, respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint. <i>Id.</i> § 441.301(c)(4)(iii).</p>	<p>The site completed a remediation plan and supplied the program space with multiple cabinets. Staff members were trained to inform individuals that they are able to utilize these cabinets and locks are available if a person wishes to further secure their personal belongings. Each person is individually approached about these options and people make their own decision about wanting a locking cabinet.</p> <p>Discussions of health and personal care activities are conducted in private. People have the opportunity to meet with visitors or speak on the phone in private.</p>

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		<p>Restraints are prohibited on site and staff members treat individuals with respect by referring to them by their first names and speaking in a regular tone of voice.</p>
<p>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(iv)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>The setting optimizes, but does not regiment, individual initiative, autonomy, and independence in making life choices, including but not limited to, daily activities, physical environment, and with whom to interact.</p>	<p>The setting offers a variety of spaces for individual and group activities.</p> <p>All staff members are trained on person-centered planning and noted that each person has the choice of participating in group and individual activities throughout the day. They added that information about individual's preferred activities can be found in PSS and in an individual's weekly notes.</p>
<p>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(v)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>The setting facilitates individual choice regarding services and supports, and who provides them.</p>	<p>The grievance procedure is explained to each individual upon admission and annually thereafter. Staff members inform individuals of their rights to ensure freedom of choice and to promote independence.</p> <p>Activities are chosen based off of each person's individual preferences and goals as determined in their PSS or ASP. People have flexibility in their scheduled activities and are able to modify their activities as desired. Individuals also share activity preferences during regular conversations with staff members.</p>
<p>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(vi)(A)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable</p>	<p>The unit or dwelling is 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 minimum, the same responsibilities and protections from eviction that tenants have under the landlord-tenant law of the State,</p>	

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	county, city or other designated entity. For settings where landlord-tenant laws do not apply, a lease, residency agreement, or other form of written agreement is in place for each HCBS participant providing protections that address eviction processes and appeals comparable to those provided under the jurisdiction's landlord-tenant law.	
<p><i>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(vi)(B)</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable</p>	<p>Each individual has privacy in their sleeping or living unit:</p> <p>(1) Units have entrance doors lockable by the individual, with only appropriate staff having keys to doors.</p> <p>(2) Individuals sharing units have a choice of roommates in that setting.</p> <p>(3) Individuals have the freedom to furnish and decorate their sleeping or living units within the lease or other agreement.</p>	
<p><i>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(vi)(C)</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>Individuals have the freedom and support to control their schedules and activities and have access to food any time.</p>	
<p><i>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(vi)(D)</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>Individuals are able to have visitors of their choosing at any time.</p>	

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<p>42 CFR § 441.301(c)(4)(vi)(E)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>The setting is physically accessible to the individual.</p>	<p>The setting is physically accessible for those who require the use of a mobility device. All people have access to common areas. Assistive devices are available to individuals as needed or desired.</p>
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