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Pursuant to
Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-901.03
This provider bulletin is being issued to clarify requirements for Independent Providers of Respite Services. New training requirements for respite services providers have been added. Current independent providers of respite services will be automatically enrolled into the new respite service codes by Maximus in Decision Point.

The new Medicaid HCBS waivers require that all providers of respite services must be certified in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid, as well as have training in Nebraska statues pertaining to reporting and prevention of Abuse and Neglect. All current providers of respite care will be given until July 1, 2018 to become certified in CPR and First Aid and complete the Abuse/Neglect training. Once providers complete the provided training, they must submit proof of certification to Maximus during their revalidation or re-enrollment.

If an independent provider is not currently providing respite services, but would like to provide respite services, the provider must enroll with Nebraska Medicaid through Maximus. As a new provider of the service, CPR and First Aid certification and Abuse/Neglect training would be required prior to enrollment in this service.

Maximus can be reached at: 1-844-374-5022 or nebraskamedicaidPSE@Maximus.com. The Maximus web portal can be found at: www.nebraskamedicaidproviderenrollment.com. Once enrolled, the DD Service Coordinator will do a service authorization in the usual manner.
If you have any questions about this provider bulletin, please contact Katie Weidner, Provider Relations Program Manager at Katie.weidner@nebraska.gov or 402-471-8716.

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