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PROVIDER BULLETIN

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TO: Medicaid HCBS DD Waiver Agency Providers

FROM: Tony Green, Director

Division of Developmental Disabilities

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RE: Emergency Safety Interventions (ESI) Certification

This bulletin is being issued to supplement regulations at Title 404 NAC 4-003.03(C) regarding Emergency Safety Interventions (ESI), specifically the ESI system that will be approved by the Division of Developmental Disabilities.

The Division of Developmental Disabilities has determined that The Mandt System is the only system that will be accepted for use with ESI.

Agency trainers must be certified at the Relational + Conceptual + Technical level.

All current Certified Providers who are not utilizing The Mandt System will be required to submit both the updated applicable section of their policy and procedures manual and trainer certificate(s) in The Mandt System to DHHS.DDProviderRelations@nebraska.gov. The agency is required to be compliant by July 1, 2025.

All current Certified Providers who are currently utilizing The Mandt System will continue to submit their trainer certificate(s) in The Mandt System as previously required.

New providers seeking initial certification will be required to use The Mandt System in the policy and procedure manual submitted with the initial application for certification, as well as required to submit the agency trainer certificate(s). This requirement must be met prior to certification being issued.

If you have any questions about this provider bulletin, please contact Jesse Bjerrum at Jesse.Bjerrum@nebraska.gov or 402-239-5889.