

Understanding Incident Reporting

The office of the inspector general (OIG) in partnership with DHHS, Administration for Community Living and the Office for Civil Rights compiled a report to help improve the health safety and respect for the civil rights of individuals in group homes.

This report provides Model Practices to CMS to increase compliance oversight and to help ensure better health and safety outcomes.

CMS Requirements

Assurance

The state demonstrates it has designed and implemented an effective system for assuring waiver participant health and welfare.

Sub-Assurance

The State demonstrates on an ongoing basis that it identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent instances of abuse, neglect, exploitation and unexplained death.

Sub-Assurance

The State demonstrates that an incident management system is in place that effectively resolves incidents and prevents further similar incidents to the extent possible.

Sub-Assurance

The State policies and procedures for the use or prohibition of restrictive interventions (including restraints and seclusion) are followed.

Sub-Assurance

The State establishes overall health care standards and monitors those standards based on the responsibility of the service provider as stated in the approved waiver.



Bi-Weekly Live Q&A Sessions Tuesdays @ 2pm

**For any questions, comments,
concerns, contact us at:**
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Helpful Links

**Ensuring Beneficiary Health and Safety in
Group Homes Through State Implementation of
Comprehensive Compliance Oversight:**
<https://oig.hhs.gov/reports-and-publications/featured-topics/group-homes/group-homes-joint-report.pdf>

Eye on Oversight - Group Homes:
<https://youtu.be/oWEzwlmePo0>

HCBS Waiver Assurances and Sub-assurances
<https://dhhs.ne.gov/Documents/CMS%20assurances.pdf?msclkid=2a3519dcb0a011ec9208b71498e3ba3c>

Incident reporting is one piece of the puzzle we need in working towards increasing the attainment of individually defined outcomes for participants.

July 1, 2022, DHHS-DDD in partnership with Liberty Healthcare corporation began a pilot with Aged & Disabled/Traumatic Brain Injury (AD/TBI) waiver Service Coordination Entities to attain valuable feedback in the development of an Incident Reporting process.

Providers receiving waiver funds will help to report serious and significant incidents occurring during services, to assist in better supports and services being provided to participants on the waivers to attain outcomes important to them.