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Dear Ms. Didion,

Enclosed is the 90 Day New Provider Programmatic Monitoring report for the Older Americans Act-OAA Title III CHORE Program.

The purpose of monitoring is to perform a programmatic review of operations and to verify that corrective actions resulting from previous monitoring reviews have been implemented. The monitoring objective is to ensure programs, policies and practices comply with state and federal rules and meet standards of good governance and practices.

The 2024 monitoring produced no findings and one recommendation. A written response is due within 10 business days of receipt of this monitoring report addressing this recommendation. The cooperation of your staff during the desk review and monitoring process was appreciated.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Winter Executive Director

Enclosures

Cc: Nayomi Kershaw, Program Coordinator





Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc. 2024 OAA/LSP CHORE SERVICE MONITORING 90-DAY NEW PROVIDER MONITORING

PROVIDER: Area Agency on Aging of Pasco – Pinellas, Inc.

DATE(S) OF VISIT: April 18, 2024

PARTICIPANT(S): Nayomi Kershaw, Program Coordinator

Christine Didion, Director of Programs

MONITOR(S): Yesenia Rivera, Program Manager

FUNDING PERIOD: January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

SITES VISITED: N/A

REPORT SUMMARY

(This section provides an overview of minor recommendations, significant, findings and positive/noteworthy activities recognized during the monitoring period. Details are outlined in the Contract Compliance and Service Delivery section of the report).

I. Recommendations for Improvement

(Recommendations require a written response from the provider)

Standard #7 – Consumer Satisfaction: Per DOEA Programs and Services Handbook, Chapter 3, each service provider must have a mechanism for objectively determining the level of client satisfaction. Additionally, Providers must utilize methods to ensure a high level of participation in determining satisfaction with the services delivered. While provider has a mechanism to assess for client satisfaction and appropriate policy and procedure, Provider indicates they have sent surveys to 100% of clients served between January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024, with no response. It is recommended Provider examines current policies and procedures to identify potential alternative methodologies to assess client satisfaction to ensure a high level of participation.

II. Findings/Corrective Action

(Findings result in a formal corrective action plan)

There are no findings.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE AND SERVICE DELIVERY

Each standard will note at least one of the following:

- Achieved
- Partially Achieved
- Not Achieved
- Not Applicable
- Follow-Up Required

Standard #1 - Previous Programmatic Monitoring

All issues from the previous programmatic monitoring have been resolved within an established and reasonable timeframe.

Response: This is the first programmatic monitoring for new provider.

Standard #2 - Targeting, Prioritization, and Waitlist

Prioritization is in accordance with Older Americans Act quidelines.

- A. Provider currently utilizes an Older Americans Act Prioritization Instrument in accordance with the Provider's Prioritization Policy.
- B. A random sample of client files from the Assessed Prioritized Consumer List (APCL) in eCIRTS will be requested for review during the monitoring visit. Please have all waitlist information, files, policies, and procedures available.

Response: Achieved.

- A. The provider is utilizing an approved prioritization instrument, as outlined in their prioritization policy.
- B. CHORE clients are assessed using the 701S screening assessment and clients are on the eCIRTS APCL. The provider maintains an internal waitlist. Review of the waitlist and client files support that the provider has an appropriately prioritized clients for CHORE services.

Standard #3 – Staff Training

Mandatory reporting of suspected abuse, neglect, self-neglect, and exploitation of the elderly training is conducted annually for all applicable program staff.

Response: Achieved.

Training certificates were submitted for one staff member. Training on mandatory suspected abuse, neglect, self-neglect, and exploitation is completed annually as required.

Standard #5 – Case Record Compliance

Using the AAAPP client file monitoring tool, case records sampled showed compliance with requirements for client eligibility, intake, and service delivery.

Response: Partially Achieved.

Review of eight (8) active client files support compliance with requirements for client eligibility, intake, and service delivery.

Of the eight (8) client files reviewed, five 701 A Forms were observed to have missing Provider ID, Assessor/Case Manager Name, and signature. One form was left on draft mode. Provider is reminded to ensure Forms are completed and finalized in a timely manner. All forms were corrected immediately upon notice to Provider and no further concerns exist.

Standard #6 – Budgetary Compliance

The provider has a clear audit trail for units of service entered in eCIRTS as indicated by a review of client files, service logs, and monthly summaries.

Response: Achieved.

Review of client service logs, provider internal billing logs, and billing submitted for February 2024 support a clear audit trail for services entered in eCIRTS.

Standard #7 - Consumer Satisfaction

Consumer satisfaction and effective delivery of service has been verified through:

- A. Policies and procedures related to consumer satisfaction detailing how satisfaction will be measured annually.
- B. Client satisfaction surveys accompanied by a satisfaction survey summary report for the last fiscal year.
- C. Provide status on the timeframe for the client satisfaction survey in the current fiscal year (will vary depending on when monitoring visit occurs).

Response: Achieved.

- A. The provider has policies and procedures related to consumer satisfaction which includes annual schedule for completing surveys.
- **B.** The provider reports sending client satisfaction surveys to 100% of clients served between January 1, 2024 March 31, 2024. No Surveys were returned. Per DOEA Programs and Services Handbook, Chapter 3, each service provider must have a mechanism for objectively determining the level of client satisfaction. Additionally, Providers must utilize methods to ensure a high level of participation in determining satisfaction with the services delivered. While provider has a mechanism to assess for client satisfaction and appropriate policy and procedure, Provider indicates they have sent surveys to 100% of clients served between January 1, 2024 March 31, 2024, with

no response. It is recommended Provider examines current policies and procedures to identify potential alternative methodologies to assess client satisfaction.

Standard #8 – Grievances, Complaints, and Incidents

Consumer satisfaction and effective delivery of service has been verified through:

- A. Provider has approved grievance policies, procedures and logs, including documentation of the service provider's response and resolution.
- B. Provider has approved complaint policies and procedures. Complaints are recorded using the appropriate AAAPP narrative and log which will include documentation of the service provider's response and resolution.
- C. Provider has approved incident policies, procedures, and logs, including documentation of the service provider response and resolution.

Response: Achieved.

- A. The provider has an approved grievance policy and procedure on file. The client grievance log was reviewed. There were no grievances reported.
- B. The provider has an approved complaint policy and procedure on file. The client complaint log was reviewed. One (1) complaint were reported in 2024. The complaint was documented appropriately and included the providers and response and resolution.
- **C.** The provider has an approved incident policy and procedure on file. The client incident log was reviewed. There were <u>no incidents</u> reported.

Standard #9 – Voluntary Contributions

Provider has a voluntary contribution system in place conforming with the Older Americans Act:

- A. Approved Voluntary Contributions Policy/Procedure.
- B. Sample letter and/or sign related to voluntary contributions which provides each recipient with an opportunity to contribute to the cost of the service voluntarily and confidentially; clearly informs each recipient that there is no obligation to contribute, and that the contribution is purely voluntary; and all contributions shall be used to increase service availability.

Response: Achieved.

- A. The provider has an approved Voluntary Contributions policy and procedure on file.
- B. The provider has a voluntary contribution letter on file which indicates that all contributions are voluntary and shall be used to increase service availability.

Standard #10 - Regulatory Compliance

OAA Provider is in Regulatory Compliance with:

- A. OAA services reviewed are being provided in accordance with the most current DOEA Program and Services Handbook and the most current approved Service Provider Application
- B. Provider complies with all pertinent to the service being provided (I.E, fire, health inspections, licensure, etc.)

- C. Provider is acting in accordance with the Florida Statute 119.071 (5) requiring any agency that collects social security numbers to provide a written explanation to the individual the reason for collection. regulations
- D. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements including policies/procedures.
- E. Provider is in compliance with the Provider Conflict of Interest Program Procedure (PR 132) issued 12/2017.
- F. Provider submits their Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan/Continuity of Operations Plan annually as required.

Response: Achieved.

- A. CHORE services are provided in compliance with the most current DOEA Program and Services Handbook and the most current approved Service Provider Application.
- B. The provider complies with F.S. 119.071(5) that provides a written explanation to the individual for collection of social security numbers.
- C. The provider has submitted their HIPAA policy and procedure and maintains regulatory compliance.
- D. The provider is in compliance with the Provider Conflict of Interest Program Procedure (PR 132).
- E. An internal CEMP/COOP is maintained.

Standard #11 - Involvement with the ADRC

Provider is involved with the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) and abides by the nowrong-door system:

- A. Maintains partnership with the ADRC, state, and community agencies to ensure that regardless of which agency people contact for help, they can access information about the options available across all the agencies and in their communities.
- B. Services not arranged through agency contracts should be obtained through referrals to other community resources (i.e., ADRC, volunteer agencies, informal networks and/or proprietary agencies that charge fees).

Response: Achieved.

- A. The provider maintains a positive partnership with the ADRC and other community agencies to ensure referrals receive the assistance they need. If the provider receives a referral from someone in need of additional services, a referral is made to the ADRC.
- B. The provider completes referrals to community resources, as necessary.

Standard #12 – Subcontractors

Provider shall monitor, at least once per year, each of its subcontractors that are paid from OAA/LSP funds as required by the Standard Contract and will:

A. Submit a copy of the programmatic monitoring record to the AAAPP upon completion to ensure contractual compliance.

B. Submit a copy of all subcontracts to the AAAPP within thirty (30) days of execution of each subcontract agreement.

Response: N/A. Subcontractors/Volunteers services will be reviewed at the annual monitoring.

Standard #13 - Volunteers

Provider has policies/procedures governing the utilization of volunteers and submits the Department of Elder Affairs Volunteer Activity Report annually as required.

Response: N/A. Volunteers services will be reviewed at the annual monitoring.

Standard #14 - Background Screening

Provider completes Level II Background Screenings, as necessary.

Response: Achieved.

The provider submitted a statement from the Human Resources Administrator confirming that Level II background screenings were completed for **one staff member**.

Signatures:				
Gessie Rivera	May 16, 2024			
Yesenia Rivera, Program Manager	Date			
Christine Didion	May 16, 2024			
Christine Didion, Director of Programs	Date			
Kmandl	May 20, 2024			
Kerry Kimball Marsalek, Chief Operating Officer	Date			

Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc. Client File Monitoring Tool for Registered Services Specific to 7015 Organization: Arra Agency on Aging of Pasco Pinellas, Ixc. Registered Service: CHORE

Registered Service: CHORE												
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Was the most current intake/701S assessment completed and entered into eCIRTS correctly?	у	У	у	У	у	У						
Was client eligibility verified? (see "Service Eligibility for OAA Programs")	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Has OAA priority for service delivery been established using an approved prioritization tool?	Υ	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y						
Was the client notified of why their SS# is collected?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y						
Is the client correctly enrolled on the waitlist for this program/service in eCIRTS?	у	У	у	У	у	у						
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Tes - compliant

Non-Non-compliant and comment is required

N/A = Not applicable



Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc. Client File Monitoring Tool for Registered Services Specific to 701A/701C

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Was the most current assessment (701A and/or 701C) completed in a timely manner and entered into eCRTS correctly!	N	Y	Y	N	¥	N	N	N		
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Did the provider obtain a signed Release of Information/HEPAA form?	v	¥	Y	¥	¥	¥	у	у		
Was the client notified of why their SSF is collected?	v	y	¥	¥	y	y	у	у		
Did the provider notify the client of their current Complaint Procedure?	Y	У	Y	¥	У	y	y	у		
Is the client correctly enrolled for this program and service in eCRTS?	Y	У	¥	٧	y	y	у	у		
Based on the audit trail month selected for review, do the received services in eCRES balance with provider's internal recordkeeping?	y	ν	У	y	ν	y	У	у		
Do notes within the client's file reflect the current status of the client as indicated in eCIRTS?	y	¥	Y	¥	¥	v	у	у		
If service frequency increased/decreased at any time during the fiscal year, were notes updated accordingly?	qls	njà.	ngh	njb.	gh.	nh	nja	ηlà		
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