

Children's Waiver Staff Compliance Tracker Updates for Waiver Year 2024-2025

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To: Health Homes Serving Children (HHSC), Children's Health Home Care Management Agencies (CMAs), Children's Waiver Home and Community Based Service (HCBS) Providers, and Children and Youth Evaluation Services (C-YES)

All Human Resources/Personnel Staff of HCBS providers, HHCMs, and C-YES must verify that information related to staff qualifications, training, and background checks for any staff who provided services to youth from <u>April 1, 2024- March 30, 2025</u> is added into the Staff Compliance Tracker **no later than June 2, 2025**.

The New York State Department of Health (the Department) is required to verify provider qualifications, training, and staffing requirements (i.e., background checks) annually and report this information to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), under the terms of the 1915(c) Children's Waiver. All Human Resources / Personnel Staff of HCBS providers, HHCMs, and C-YES who provide HCBS or care management to Children's Waiver participants are required to report this information to the Department electronically through the Incident Reporting and Management System (IRAMS), via the Health Commerce System (HCS), and enter/review staff compliance information.

The Department is currently working on enhancements to IRAMS features and will be announcing information about future related webinars shortly.

Please refer to the following resources for information on accessing/utilizing the Children's Services Staff Compliance Tracker:

- Children's Staff Compliance Tracker Updates for Waiver Year 2023-2024
 <u>(Web)</u> <u>(PDF)</u> May 24, 2024
- Children's Waiver Qualification and Training Tracker Webinar (Now called Staff Compliance Tracker) - (PDF) | Recording (YouTube) - June 28, 2023
- Staff Qualification Webinar Q&A (Web) (PDF) June 28, 2023
- Staff Compliance User Guide (PDF) August 2024

The Staff Compliance Tracker includes requirements for HHCMAs, C-YES, and HCBS providers. Agencies must provide information applicable to their provider type which may include, but is not limited to, dates of completion for the following requirements:

CHRC Criminal Background Check	Person-Centered Learning Training
(CMA/HCBS Providers)	(CMA)
SCR Eligibility Verification	LGBTQ Issues Training (CMA)
(CMA/HCBS Providers)	Cultural Competency/Awareness
Staff Exclusion List (SEL) Check	Training (CMA)
(CMA/HCBS Providers)	Meeting Facilitation Training (CMA)
Mandated Reporting Training	Plan of Care (POC) Training (CMA)
(CMA/HCBS Providers)	CANS-NY Training/Certification
Personal Safety/Safety in the	(CMA)
Community Training (CMA/HCBS	Suicide Prevention Training (HCBS
Providers)	providers)
Trauma-Informed Care Training	Domestic Violence Signs and Basic
(CMA/HCBS Providers)	Interventions Training (HCBS
Engagement & Outreach Training	Providers)
(CMA)	Strength-Based Approaches
	Training (HCBS Providers)

The Staff Compliance Tracker is available throughout the year to Human Resources/Personnel Staff to enter information as agency staffing changes and trainings occur. New employees should be added to the Staff Compliance Tracker within 30 days of hire date or CHRC verification, whichever comes later. Employees that leave employment should be ended in the Staff Compliance Tracker within 30 days of employment end date. Annual re-trainings should be added to the Staff Compliance Tracker within 30 days of training completion.

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Please reach out to <u>BH.Transition@health.ny.gov</u> with questions or if assistance is needed.