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Services provided by intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF/IID) are designed for those individuals diagnosed as having developmental lags which are considered amendable to treatment in a 24-hour managed care environment where they will achieve maximum growth. Individuals are admitted to an ICF/IID after it has been determined by an interdisciplinary professional team that admission is the best available plan.

This chapter specifies the requirements for maintaining an ICF/IID and is a combination of federal and state laws, Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) regulations and policy. This document is not all inclusive of the regulatory process. Providers should also refer to the ICF/IID regulations found at 42 CFR Part 483, LDH published ICF/IID Standards for Payment, and the LDH- Health Standards Section (HSS) Minimum Licensing Standards. There is no intent to include contradictory statements in this manual. If there is a conflict between material in these standards and the federal and state laws or policies governing the program, the state laws or policies governing the program have precedence. These standards provide the ICF/IID with information necessary to fulfill the provider enrollment contract with LDH. The ICF/IID Standards for Payment will take precedence over the language in the manual chapter.

The standards set forth in this and subsequent sections comply with the Title XIX requirements of the amended Social Security Act (the ACT). The Act sets the standards for the care, treatment, health, safety, welfare and comfort of medical assistance beneficiaries in facilities providing ICF/IID services. These standards apply to ICF/IIDs certified and enrolled by LDH for vendor participation in the Louisiana Medicaid program and supplement current licensing requirements applicable to ICF/IIDs. Any infraction of these standards will be considered a violation of the provider agreement between LDH and the ICF/IID.

If any of these standards are not maintained, LDH will determine whether facility certification will continue with deficiencies as allowed under Title XIX regulations or whether termination of the provider agreement is warranted. During the determination period, vendor payment will not be suspended; however, deficiencies, which may affect the health, safety, rights, and welfare of the beneficiaries, must be corrected expeditiously in order for the ICF/IID to continue to participate in, and to operate as, a licensed ICF-IID facility.

If a certified ICF/IID is found to have deficiencies which immediately jeopardize the health, safety, rights, and welfare of its beneficiaries, LDH may impose interim sanctions or initiate proceedings to terminate the ICF/IID's certification or licensure in accordance with minimum licensing standards.

Monitoring of an ICF/IID's compliance with state and federal regulations is the responsibility of LDH's Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF). The BHSF HSS is responsible for

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determining an ICF/IID's compliance with state licensing requirements and compliance with specific Title XIX certification requirements.