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Notice of Department Designee for CBRF Department-approved training

On April 1, 2009, the Department implemented the revised Wisconsin Administrative Code, ch. DHS 83, licensing standards and regulations for community-based residential facilities (CBRFs). Minimum training requirements for CBRF personnel changed substantially with a delayed implementation date of April 1, 2010 for all current department approved CBRF training plans and approved trainers as indicated in s. DHS 83.20, Wis. Admin. Code:

DHS 83.20 Department –approved training. (1) APPROVED TRAINING. (a) Training for standard precautions, fire safety, first aid and choking, and medication administration and management shall be approved by the department or designee and shall be provided by trainers approved by the department or designee. Approvals for training plans and trainers for standard precautions, fire safety, first aid and choking, and medication administration and management issued before April 1, 2009, shall expire April 1, 2010.

The Department established an interagency agreement with the University of Oshkosh, Center for Career Development and Employability Training (CCDET) and designated the CCDET to develop the curriculum for CBRF training programs, coordinate the approval of qualified trainers, and maintain public directories for approved programs, instructors, and trainees. The CCDET has successfully developed other statewide training programs. For example, as recipients of a federal pilot grant, the Division of Quality Assurance collaborated with the CCDET to create and deliver the Wisconsin Caregiver Project's abuse and neglect prevention training throughout the state.

The CCDET will complete implementation of the CBRF training programs prior to April 1, 2010. Details will be forthcoming via the DQA LISTSERV as the project progresses. If you have any additional questions concerning the notification of the CCDET training program project for CBRFs, please contact the Assisted Living Regional Director for your area:
http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/rl_DSL/Contacts/alsreglmap.htm