

WAC 246-341-0500 Personnel—Agency policies and procedures.

Each agency licensed by the department to provide any behavioral health service must develop, implement, and maintain personnel policies and procedures. The policies and procedures must meet the minimum requirements of this chapter and include the following, as applicable:

(1) Background checks. Identification of how the agency conducts Washington state background checks on each agency employee in contact with individuals receiving services, consistent with RCW 43.43.830 through 43.43.842.

(2) Excluded provider list. A description of how the agency conducts a review of the list of excluded individuals/entities (LEIE) searchable database (found on the Office of Inspector General, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website at <http://oig.hhs.gov>) for each employee in contact with individuals receiving services, to include a procedure on how the agency:

(a) Reviewed the LEIE database at the time of the employee's hire and annually thereafter; and

(b) Assured the employee is not currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntary excluded from participating in transactions involving certain federal funds.

(3) Drug free workplace. Identification of how the agency provides for a drug free work place that includes:

(a) Agency program standards of prohibited conduct; and

(b) Actions to be taken in the event a staff member misuses alcohol or other drugs.

(4) Supervision. Identification of how supervision is provided to assist program staff and volunteers to increase their skills, and improve quality of services to individuals and families.

(5) Staff training. A description of how the agency provides training within thirty days of an employee's hire date and annually thereafter.

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