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N000000	<p>This visit was for a state home health agency initial licensure survey.</p> <p>Survey date: 5/14-5/15/12</p> <p>Facility #: 01279</p> <p>Medicaid #: n/a</p> <p>Surveyor: Ingrid Miller, RN, PHNS</p> <p>Census: Skilled Patients 3 Total census: 3</p> <p>Quality Review: Joyce Elder, MSN, BSN, RN May 18, 2012</p>	N000000	<p>1.Voice Message System: 05/21/12. A notice of meeting the of governing body's meeting was sent out by the agency administrator. 5/24/12. The governing body met today and discussed how the deficiency will be corrected. The option adopted to correct the agency message system is to currently rotate after hours on-call staff members. Members designated are; the administrator, the director of nursing, and registered field nurses. 5/25/12. An in-service (training) was provided for each person who were designated as an afterhours on-call staff members including the administrator. They were properly trained on the proper procedures and timeframe when working on-calls and or after-hours calls.</p> <p>2. Website: 5/24/12. The Governing body meeting discussed the issue website. The administrator explained to the meeting that she was in the process of working on a website, which she thought was going to launch after the agency has been successfully accredited and received the Medicare Provider Number. However the website hosting company had already launched the website. The administrator was caught off guard when notified by the surveyor that the website is up</p>	
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Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (see instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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			and running. To correct the deficiency, the meeting mandated the administrator to contact the hosting company immediately and remove the accreditation and homemaker's services information. 05/25/12. The administrator contacted the hosting company and authorized them to remove all the accreditation information, including the homemaker's services information. 05/28/2012. The agency's website information was revised. Accreditation information and homemaker's services information were removed. The licensure information from ISDPH was revised. Excerpts from the website reads as follows " Carren Healthcare Services, Inc. is an Home Health Agency provisionally licensed by the Indiana State Department of Public Health (ISDPH) to provide high quality and professional home health care services to people in their homes as quickly as possible to resume an active life. For those with long-term disabilities, we provide the necessary in-home services to minimize the need for institutional care. All our personnel as experienced, trained and licensed according to State and Federal regulations. Our home health agency accepts medical referrals and home care begins with the receipt of doctor's orders. Carren Healthcare Services, Inc.		

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			currently serves the Lake and Potter Counties". Homemaker's services has been removed from the list of services that the agency currently provides. Henceforth, the administrator will be responsible for monitoring and assigning after-hours calls to the on-call staff members. Also the administrator will be responsible for the monitoring of all the information on the agency's website. 3.. The personnel file will be audited and any files missing job descriptions and orientation will be flagged. The personnel with missing information will be asked to go through orientation again to complete the orientation certificate, and the personnel with job descriptions missing will be asked to review and sign the job description. 4. The personnel file will be audited and any files missing job descriptions and orientation will be flagged. The personnel with missing TB testing will be asked to schedule a screening as soon as possible through their physician or medical center. 5. The agency will orient the administration and office staff on the process auditing all contracted employees prior to the contracted employees providing services for patients. Contracts will be signed prior to services starting and state licenses will be verified prior to starting services, as well as confirming competency, background checks,	

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N000447	<p>410 IAC 17-12-1(c)(4) Home health agency administration/management Rule 12 Sec. 1(c)(4) The administrator, who may also be the supervising physician or registered nurse required by subsection (d), shall do the following: (4) Ensure the accuracy of public information materials and activities. Based on web site review, policy review, voice message review, and interview, the administrator failed to ensure the public information website and voice answering service were accurate for 1 of 1 agency.</p> <p>Findings</p> <p>Regarding the voice message system</p> <p>1. On 5/14/12 at 9 PM, the agency's after hours number was called. A voice on an answering service recording indicated a message could be left and a nursing administrator would return the</p>	N000447	<p>TB and Hepatitis screening, liability insurance, and orientation. 6. Office staffs who will be tracking Medical Plan of Care, will be oriented on the proper procedure on tracking, following up, and assuring Medical Plan of Care is signed by the physician within the timeframe as is the standard by the state of Indiana. The agency's administrator will be responsible for this plan of correction.</p> <p>1.Voice Message System: 05/21/12. A notice of meeting of the governing body was sent out by the agency administrator. 5/24/12. The governing body met today and discussed how the deficiency will be corrected. The option adopted to correct the agency message system is to currently rotate after hours on-call staff members. Members designated are; the administrator, the director of nursing, and registered field nurses. 5/25/12. An in-service (training) was provided for each person who were designated as an afterhours on-call staff members including the administrator. They were properly</p>	05/30/2012

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	<p>call or an alternative number for the nursing administrator could be called. A message was left and no call back was received.</p> <p>2. On 5/14/12 at 10 PM, the alternative phone number was called. A message was left and no call back was received until Employee B, the administrator, returned the call on 5/15/12 at 8:30 AM.</p> <p>3. The agency policy titled "Provision for 24-Hour RN Availability" with an effective date of 10/1/11 stated, "Hours of operation are from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. A Registered Nurse shall be accessible at all times, 24 hours per day, by telephone and/or pager to meet client needs. The Registered Nurse will be available to make a home visit, if necessary. If medical emergencies occur and there is not an agency staff person in the home, clients are instructed to call their physicians or call 911 for treatment."</p> <p>Regarding the Internet site for the agency</p> <p>1. The agency website with an address of http://www.carrenhealthcare.com/health-care-about-us stated, "Carren Healthcare Services, Inc. is a trusted</p>		<p>trained on the proper procedures and timeframe when working on-calls and or after-hours calls.</p> <p>2. Website: 5/24/12. The Governing body meeting discussed the issue website. The administrator explained to the meeting that she was in the process of working on a website, which she thought was going to launch after the agency has been successfully accredited and received the Medicare Provider Number. However the website hosting company had already launched the website. The administrator was caught off guard when notified by the surveyor that the website is up and running. To correct the deficiency, the meeting mandated the administrator to contact the hosting company immediately and remove the accreditation and homemakers services information. 05/25/12. The administrator contacted the hosting company and authorized them to remove all the accreditation information, including the homemaker's services information. 05/28/2012. The agency's website information was revised. Accreditation information and homemaker's services information were removed. The licensure information from ISDPH was revised. Excerpts form the website reads as follows " Carren Healthcare Services, Inc. is an Home Health Agency</p>				

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N000449	<p>Indiana State Department of Health licensed home health agency and accredited by The Joint Commission ... Who Pays? Medicare, Medicaid, and other commercial insurance (qualified clients) that covers home health services ... Carren Healthcare Services, Inc. provides high quality professional home health care, personal care, and homemaker services to people in their homes as quickly as possible to resume an active life."</p> <p>2. On 5/15/12 at 11:12 AM, the administrator indicated the website noted above did not accurately reflect the agency profile including the lack of accreditation with the Joint Commission, the lack of a state license pending licensure with the department, the lack of any payment sources accepted at this time, and the lack of personal care and homemaker services included in the provisional licensure.</p> <p>410 IAC 17-12-1(c)(6) Home health agency administration/management Rule 12 Sec. 1(c)(6) The administrator, who may also be the supervising physician or registered nurse required by subsection (d), shall do the following: (6) Ensure that the home health agency meets all rules and regulations for licensure. Based on clinical record review,</p>	N000449	<p>provisionally licensed by the Indiana State Department of Public Health (ISDPH) to provide high quality and professional home health care services to people in their homes as quickly as possible to resume an active life. For those with long-term disabilities, we provide the necessary in-home services to minimize the need for institutional care. All our personnel as experienced, trained and licensed according to State and Federal regulations. Our home health agency accepts medical referrals and home care begins with the receipt of doctor's orders. Carren Healthcare Services, Inc. currently serves the Lake and Potter Counties". Homemakers services has been removed from the list of services that the agency currently provides. Henceforth, the administrator will be responsible for monitoring and assigning after-hours calls to the on-call staff members. Also the administrator will be responsible for the monitoring of all the information on the agency's website.</p> <p>1. Voice Message System:</p>	06/14/2012	

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	<p>personnel record review, agency document review, policy review, and interview, the administrator failed to ensure agency met all the requirements for licensure with the potential to affect all the agency's patients.</p> <p>Findings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The administrator failed to ensure public information available on the Internet and the voice answering services was accurate (see S 477). 2. The administrator failed to ensure all personnel files contained documentation of job descriptions and copy of orientation to the job (see S 458). 3. The administrator failed to ensure a two step Tuberculosis screening was completed upon hire or a negative chest x ray report was included for positive reactors. (see S 464). 4. The administrator failed to ensure written contracts were in place and valid for the state of Indiana before services were furnished for patients receiving physical therapy services (see S 478). 5. The administrator failed to ensure the medical plan of care was signed timely by the physician (see S 524). 		<p>05/21/12. A notice of meeting of the governing body was sent out by the agency administrator. 5/24/12. The governing body met today and discussed how the deficiency will be corrected. The option adopted to correct the agency message system is to currently rotate after hours on-call staff members. Members designated are; the administrator, the director of nursing, and registered field nurses. 5/25/12. An in-service (training) was provided for each person who were designated as an afterhours on-call staff members including the administrator. They were properly trained on the proper procedures and timeframe when working on-calls and or after-hours calls. 2. Website: 5/24/12. The Governing body meeting discussed the issue website. The administrator explained to the meeting that she was in the process of working on a website, which she thought was going to launch after the agency has been successfully accredited and received the Medicare Provider Number. However the website hosting company had already launched the website. The administrator was caught off guard when notified by the surveyor that the website is up and running. To correct the deficiency, the meeting mandated the administrator to contact the hosting company immediately</p>		

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N000458	<p>410 IAC 17-12-1(f) Home health agency administration/management Rule 12 Sec. 1(f) Personnel practices for employees shall be supported by written policies. All employees caring for patients in Indiana shall be subject to Indiana licensure, certification, or registration required to perform the respective service. Personnel records of employees who deliver home health services shall be kept current and shall include documentation of orientation to the job, including the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Receipt of job description. (2) Qualifications. (3) A copy of limited criminal history pursuant to IC 16-27-2. (4) A copy of current license, certification, or registration. (5) Annual performance evaluations. <p>Based on personnel file and policy review and interview, the agency failed to ensure personnel files contained job descriptions and a copy of orientation to the job for 1 of 7 employee files reviewed (file D) with the potential to affect all the agency's staff.</p> <p>Findings</p> <p>1. Employee D, a contract physical</p>	N000458	<p>Medical Plan of Care, will be oriented on the proper procedure on tracking, following up, and assuring Medical Plan of Care is signed by the physician within the timeframe as is the standard by the state of Indiana. The administrator is responsible for this plan of correction.</p> <p>The agency will orient the administration and office staffs on the process auditing all contracted employees prior to the contracted employees providing services for patients. Contracts will be signed prior to the services starting date and state licenses will be verified prior to starting services, as well as confirming competency, background checks, TB and Hepatitis screening, liability insurance, job description,</p>	06/14/2012

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	<p>therapist, hire date of 3/9/12 and first patient contact of 3/9/12, failed to evidence a job description and orientation.</p> <p>2. On 5/15/12 at 2:30 PM, the administrator indicated Employee D did not have a job description or orientation on file.</p> <p>3. The agency policy titled "Administration and Management" with an effective date of 10/1/11 stated, "All employees caring for patients in Indiana shall be subject to Indiana licensure, certification or registration required to perform the respective service. Personnel records of employees who deliver home health services shall be kept current and shall include documentation of orientation to the job, including the following: receipt of job description."</p>		<p>and orientation. All contracts will also go through auditing to make sure that their personnel have all required documentation and or credentials prior to providing patient services. The agency's administrator is responsible for this plan of correction.</p>		

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N000464	<p>410 IAC 17-12-1(i) Home health agency administration/management Rule 12 Sec. 1(i) The home health agency shall ensure that all employees, staff members, persons providing care on behalf of the agency, and contractors having direct patient contact are evaluated for tuberculosis and documentation as follows:</p> <p>(1) Any person with a negative history of tuberculosis or a negative test result must have a baseline two-step tuberculin skin test using the Mantoux method or a quantiferon-TB assay unless the individual has documentation that a tuberculin skin test has been applied at any time during the previous twelve (12) months and the result was negative.</p> <p>(2) The second step of a two-step tuberculin skin test using the Mantoux method must be administered one (1) to three (3) weeks after the first tuberculin skin test was administered.</p> <p>(3) Any person with: (A) a documented: (i) history of tuberculosis; (ii) previously positive test result for tuberculosis; or (iii) completion of treatment for tuberculosis; or (B) newly positive results to the tuberculin skin test; must have one (1) chest radiograph to exclude a diagnosis of tuberculosis.</p> <p>(4) After baseline testing, tuberculosis screening must: (A) be completed annually; and (B) include, at a minimum, a tuberculin skin test using the Mantoux method or a quantiferon-TB assay unless the individual was subject to subdivision (3).</p> <p>(5) Any person having a positive finding on</p>				

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	<p>a tuberculosis evaluation may not: (A) work in the home health agency; or (B) provide direct patient contact; unless approved by a physician to work. (6) The home health agency must maintain documentation of tuberculosis evaluations showing that any person: (A) working for the home health agency; or (B) having direct patient contact; has had a negative finding on a tuberculosis examination within the previous twelve (12) months.</p> <p>Based on personnel file and policy review and interview, the agency failed to ensure Tuberculosis (TB) screenings with a two step Mantoux was completed upon hire if the employee did not have a negative tuberculin test within the previous twelve months or a chest x report was included for positive reactors for 1 of 7 files reviewed (#D) with the potential to affect all the agency's patients.</p> <p>Findings</p> <p>1. Personnel file D, date of hire 3/9/12 and first patient contact 3/9/12 with patients #1 and #2, failed to evidence a two step tuberculosis screening was completed at hire or that the employee had documentation of a negative tuberculosis screening completed within the previous twelve months or a negative chest x ray report.</p>	N000464	The agency will orient the administration and office staffs on the process auditing all contracted employees prior to the contracted employees providing services for patients. Contracts will be signed prior to the services starting date and state licenses will be verified prior to starting services, as well as confirming competency, background checks, TB and Hepatitis screening, liability insurance, job description, and orientation. All contracts will also go through auditing to make sure that their personnel have all required documentation and or credentials prior to providing patient services. The agency's administrator is responsible for this plan of correction.	06/14/2012

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	<p>2. On 5/15/12 at 2:30 PM, the administrator indicated Employee D did not have documentation a tuberculin skin test had been applied any time during the previous twelve months and the result was negative.</p> <p>3. The agency policy titled "Administration and Management" with an effective date of 10/1/11 stated, "The home health agency shall ensure that all employees, staff members, persons providing care on behalf of the agency, and contractors having direct patient contact are evaluated for Tuberculosis and documentation as follows: a. Any person with a negative history of tuberculosis or a negative test result must have a baseline two step tuberculin skin test using the Mantoux method or a quantiferon-TB assay unless the individual has documentation that a tuberculin skin test has been applied at any time during the previous (12) months and the result was negative."</p>				

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N000478	<p>410 IAC 17-12-2(d) Q A and performance improvement Rule 12 Sec. 2(d) If personnel under contracts are used by the home health agency, there shall be a written contract between those personnel and the home health agency that specifies the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That patients are accepted for care only by the primary home health agency. (2) The services to be furnished. (3) The necessity to conform to all applicable home health agency policies including personnel qualifications. (4) The responsibility for participating in developing plans of care. (5) The manner in which services will be controlled, coordinated, and evaluated by the primary home health agency. (6) The procedures for submitting clinical notes, scheduling of visits, and conducting periodic patient evaluation. (7) The procedures for payment for services furnished under the contract. <p>Based on contract review, policy review, clinical record review, and interview, the agency failed to ensure written contracts were in place and referred to the Indiana agency before services were furnished for 1 of 1 contracted therapist files reviewed (Employee D).</p> <p>Findings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On 5/14/12 at 11:35 AM, the administrator indicated the agency had only contracted therapists. 	N000478	The agency will orient the administration and office staffs on the process auditing all contracted employees prior to the contracted employees providing services for patients. Contracts will be signed prior to services starting date and state licenses will be verified prior to starting services, as well as confirming competency, background checks, TB and Hepatitis screening, liability insurance, job description, and orientation. All contracts will also go through auditing to make sure that they personnel have all required documentation prior to providing patient services. The agency's administrator is	06/14/2012	

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	<p>2. The contract titled "Service Provider Agreement" stated, "This agreement is made and entered into on this 1 Day of March 2012 between ABC Physical Therapy and Rehab, Inc. (service provider) ... and Carren Health Care Services (Agency) ... It will provide physical therapy on an intermittent basis, it meets all of the qualifications for services described as set forth in the relevant statutes of the State of Illinois [not Indiana] ... and shall maintain qualifications for providing physical therapy services under federal regulation applicable to the agency and the therapists will be licensed in the state in which they are to perform rehabilitation services ... all service providers must receive agency orientation prior to seeing agency patients." The administrator signed this contract on 3/16/12. The office manager of ABC Physical Therapy signed this document on 2/22/12.</p> <p>3. Clinical record #1, start care 3/2/12, evidenced physical therapy service were provided by employee D on 3/9/12 and 3/12/12 prior to the signing of the contract.</p> <p>4. Clinical record #2, start of care 2/18/12, evidenced physical therapy services were provided by employee D</p>		responsible for this plan of correction.		

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	<p>on 3/9/12, 3/13/12, and 3/15/12, prior to the signing of the contract.</p> <p>5. On 5/15/12 at 2:30 PM, the administrator indicated the above contract had not implemented prior to Employee D caring for the agency patients.</p> <p>6. The agency policy titled "Indiana Home Health Licensure" with an effective date of 10/1/11 stated, "The agency shall remain in compliance with the Indiana article and rules for a home health agency."</p>			

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N000524	<p>410 IAC 17-13-1(a)(1) Patient Care Rule 13 Sec. 1(a)(1) As follows, the medical plan of care shall:</p> <p>(A) Be developed in consultation with the home health agency staff. (B) Include all services to be provided if a skilled service is being provided. (B) Cover all pertinent diagnoses. (C) Include the following:</p> <p>(i) Mental status. (ii) Types of services and equipment required. (iii) Frequency and duration of visits. (iv) Prognosis. (v) Rehabilitation potential. (vi) Functional limitations. (vii) Activities permitted. (viii) Nutritional requirements. (ix) Medications and treatments. (x) Any safety measures to protect against injury. (xi) Instructions for timely discharge or referral. (xii) Therapy modalities specifying length of treatment. (xiii) Any other appropriate items.</p> <p>Based on clinical record review and interview, the agency failed to ensure 1 of 3 patients had a plan of care signed timely by the physician for 1 of 3 records reviewed (Clinical record #2).</p> <p>Findings</p> <p>1. Clinical record #2, start of care, included a plan of care for the care period of 2/18/12 - 4/17/12 with a verbal order for care dated 2/18/12 and signed</p>	N000524	Office staffs who will be tracking Medical Plan of Care, will be oriented on the proper procedure on tracking, following up, and assuring Medical Plan of Care is signed by the physician within the timeframe as is the standard by the State of Indiana. The agency's administrator is responsible for this plan of correction.	06/14/2012			

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	<p>by Employee B, the administrator and alternate director of nursing. The plan of care was not signed by the physician until 3/30/12.</p> <p>2. On 5/15/12 at 11:10 AM, the administrator indicated the plan of care was not signed in a timely manner.</p>			