

# Prepublication Requirements

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## Select Retired and Revised Accreditation Requirements

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APPLICABLE TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

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### RETIRED ELEMENTS OF PERFORMANCE

#### Leadership (LD) Chapter

##### Standard LD.03.06.01

Those who work in the organization are focused on improving safety and quality.

##### LD.03.06.01, EP 5

Those who work in the organization adapt to changes in the environment.

##### Standard LD.04.02.03

Ethical principles guide the organization's business practices.

##### LD.04.02.03, EP 1

The organization follows a process that allows staff, individuals served, and families to address ethical issues or issues prone to conflict.

##### Standard LD.04.02.05

When internal or external review results in the denial of care, treatment, or services, or payment, the organization makes decisions regarding the ongoing provision of care, treatment, or services, and discharge or transfer, based on the assessed needs of the individual served.

##### LD.04.02.05, EP 1

Decisions regarding the provision of ongoing care, treatment, or services, discharge, or transfer are based on the assessed needs of the individual served, regardless of the recommendations of any internal or external review.

## Life Safety (LS) Chapter

### Standard LS.02.01.40

The organization provides and maintains special features to protect individuals from the hazards of fire and smoke.

Note: This standard applies to behavioral health care settings that provide sleeping arrangements as a required part of their care, treatment, or services and that lock doors to prohibit individuals served from leaving the building or space.

#### LS.02.01.40, EP 2

The organization meets all other Life Safety Code automatic extinguishing requirements related to NFPA 101-2012: 18/19.4.2.

## Medication Management (MM) Chapter

### Standard MM.05.01.11

The organization safely dispenses medications.

Note: This standard is applicable only to organizations that operate a pharmacy.

#### MM.05.01.11, EP 1

For organizations that operate a pharmacy: The organization dispenses quantities of medications that are consistent with the needs of the individual served.

Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications.

### Standard MM.05.01.19

The organization safely manages unused, expired, or returned medications.

Note: This standard is applicable only to organizations that administer medications.

#### MM.05.01.19, EP 3

For organizations that administer medications: The organization determines if and when outside sources are used for destruction of medications.

Note: This element of performance is also applicable to sample medications.

## Waived Testing (WT) Chapter

### Standard WT.02.01.01

The person from the organization whose name appears on the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA '88) certificate identifies the staff responsible for performing and supervising waived testing.

Note 1: Responsible staff may be employees of the organization, contracted staff, or employees of a contracted service.

Note 2: Responsible staff may be identified within job descriptions or by listing job titles or individual names.

#### WT.02.01.01, EP 2

The person from the organization whose name appears on the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA '88) certificate, or a qualified designee, identifies in writing the staff responsible for supervising waived testing.

### Standard WT.04.01.01

The organization performs quality control checks for waived testing on each procedure.

Note: Internal quality controls may include electronic, liquid, or control zone. External quality controls may include electronic or liquid.

**WT.04.01.01, EP 1**

The person from the organization whose name appears on the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA '88) certificate establishes a written quality control plan for waived testing that specifies the method(s) for controlling procedures for quality, establishes timetables, and explains the rationale for choice of procedures and timetables.

**Standard WT.05.01.01**

The organization maintains records for waived testing.

**WT.05.01.01, EP 2**

Test results for waived testing are documented in the individual's clinical/case record.

**REVISED ELEMENTS OF PERFORMANCE****Standard WT.02.01.01**

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