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Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF) Medicaid Readiness Consulting

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What to have ready

Each item below ties to the federal text reviewed for this page (eCFR current as of September 30, 2026, unless noted).

- A program description showing psychiatric services to individuals under age 21 in an inpatient setting, in a facility other than a hospital (42 CFR 483.352, eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-G/part-483/subpart-G]).
- Current accreditation, or your decision among the Joint Commission, CARF, COA or another accrediting organization with comparable standards recognized by your state (42 CFR 441.151(a)(2)(ii), eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-C/part-441/subpart-D]).
- A restraint and seclusion attestation ready for the facility director's signature (42 CFR 483.374(a), eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-G/part-483/subpart-G]).
- Restraint and seclusion order procedures that state the federal limits: "4 hours for residents ages 18 to 21; 2 hours for residents ages 9 to 17; or 1 hour for residents under age 9" (42 CFR 483.358(e)(2), eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-G/part-483/subpart-G]).
- A plan-of-care process with plans "Developed and implemented no later than 14 days after admission" (42 CFR 441.154(a)) and "reviewed every 30 days by the team specified in § 441.156" (42 CFR 441.155(c), eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-C/part-441/subpart-D]).
- A serious occurrence procedure that reports to both the State Medicaid agency and the State-designated Protection and Advocacy system "by no later than close of business the next business day after a serious occurrence" (42 CFR 483.374(b)(1), eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-G/part-483/subpart-G]).
- An emergency preparedness plan "reviewed, and updated at least every 2 years" (42 CFR 441.184(a), eCFR [https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-42/chapter-IV/subchapter-C/part-441/subpart-D]).
- Reports and plans of correction from any prior state survey, since recertification surveys recur within a five-year cycle (S&C 15-14, December 2014, CMS [https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-15-14.pdf]).