



Quick Guide: How to Decide What Consultants Your Facility Needs

Introduction

DDS compliance means tailoring your consultant team to meet your residents' needs. This guide will walk you through the process. Facilities are responsible for paying consultants. Regional Centers and insurance do not cover consultant services.

Start the conversation about each of your residents' needs at their next quarterly meeting! Then start looking for the right consultants for their identified needs.

Consultants do NOT need to be vendored with the Regional Center. They must be eligible for vendorization according to Title 17 regulations (see here: <https://www.law.cornell.edu/regulations/california/17-CCR-54342>).

Let's connect to talk more about your facility! Book A Call: <https://calendly.com/chelseaburgos>

Key Questions to Ask

1. What are the primary goals and objectives in each resident's IPP?
2. Does the resident require specialized behavioral or medical support?
3. Are there common needs among residents where a consultant could provide staff training in that area efficiently?

Consultant Match Chart

Resident Need	Consultant Type	Example Service
Behavioral Challenges	BCBA	Develop and oversee behavior plans, staff training
Medication Monitoring	RN, Psychiatrist	Ensure safety and compliance

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Ambulation, Mobility	Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy,	Address mobility, safety, keeping active to preserve motor functions
Social Skills Goals, Social Recreation,	BCBA, Recreation Therapist, Art Therapist, Dance Therapist, Music Therapist, Counselor	Teach social skills, emotional skills, coping, relationship skills, staff training
Activities of Daily Living (ADLs), safety	BCBA, Adaptive Skills Trainer;	Teach ADLs, promote independence by training staff how to avoid over-prompting
Mental Health	Psychiatrist	Monitor psych medication, write prescriptions

Consumer Needs Analysis Template

Example -

Resident Profile

Name	Age	Diagnosis	Key Needs
John Doe	25	Autism; Type 1 Diabetes	Aggression, social skills, medication management for Diabetes

IPP Objective Match

IPP Goal	Consultant Type	Hours Needed (out of 8 semi-annually)	Notes
Reduce aggression	BCBA	4	Behavior plan and staff training required
Social Recreation, Day Program, Community Access	Recreation Therapist	2	Social, coping skills



Medical/Dental; Diabetes	RN	2	Monitor Type 1 Diabetes care; related staff training
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We're Here to Help

Burgos Behavior Consulting Services provides behavior consulting and skill-building support for residential facilities. We specialize in helping Level 3 facilities prepare for regulatory changes while creating sustainable, positive outcomes for residents.

Schedule a Free Consultation and Find out how behavior and skill-building support can make a difference now—before the 12/31/25 deadline.

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📝 For questions on requirements, you can also contact your VMRC or CVRC liaison.

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