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CZ815	408.809(1)(); 435.02(2); 435.06 FS Background Screening; Prohibited Offenses 408.809 Background screening; prohibited offenses.- (1) Level 2 background screening pursuant to chapter 435 must be conducted through the agency on each of the following persons, who are considered employees for the purposes of conducting screening under chapter 435: (a) The licensee, if an individual. (b) The administrator or a similarly titled person who is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the provider. (c) The financial officer or similarly titled individual who is responsible for the financial operation of the licensee or provider. (d) Any person who is a controlling interest. (e) Any person, as required by authorizing statutes, seeking employment with a licensee or provider who is expected to, or whose responsibilities may require him or her to, provide personal care or services directly to clients or have access to client funds, personal property, or living areas; and any person, as required by authorizing statutes, _____ with a licensee or provider whose responsibilities require him or her to provide personal care or personal services directly to clients, or _____ with a licensee or provider to work 20 hours a week or more who will have access to client funds, personal property, or living areas. Evidence of contractor screening may be retained by the contractor's employer or the licensee. (3) All _____ must be provided in electronic format. Screening results shall be reviewed by the agency with respect to the offenses specified in s. 435.04 and this section, and the qualifying or disqualifying status of the person named in the request shall be maintained in a database. The	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 1 qualifying or disqualifying status of the person named in the request shall be posted on a secure website for retrieval by the licensee or designated agent on the licensee's behalf. (4) In addition to the offenses listed in s. 435.04, all persons required to undergo background screening pursuant to this part or authorizing statutes must not have an . . . awaiting final disposition for, must not have been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, and must not have been adjudicated delinquent and the record not have been sealed or expunged for any of the following offenses or any similar offense of another jurisdiction: (a) Any authorizing statutes, if the offense was a felony. (b) This chapter, if the offense was a felony. (c) Section 409.920, relating to Medicaid provider fraud. (d) Section 409.9201, relating to Medicaid fraud. (e) Section 741.28, relating to domestic violence. (f) Section 777.04, relating to attempts, solicitation, and conspiracy to commit an offense listed in this subsection. (g) Section 784.03, relating to battery, if the victim is a adult as defined in s. 415.102 or a patient or resident of a facility licensed under chapter 395, chapter 400, or chapter 429. (h) Section 817.034, relating to fraudulent acts through mail, wire, radio, electromagnetic, photoelectronic, or photooptical systems. (i) Section 817.234, relating to false and fraudulent insurance claims. (j) Section 817.481, relating to obtaining goods by using a false or expired credit card or other credit device, if the offense was a felony. (k) Section 817.50, relating to fraudulently	CZ815			

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CZ815	Continued From page 2 obtaining goods or services from a health care provider. (l) Section 817.505, relating to patient brokering. (m) Section 817.568, relating to criminal use of personal identification information. (n) Section 817.60, relating to obtaining a credit card through fraudulent means. (o) Section 817.61, relating to fraudulent use of credit cards, if the offense was a felony. (p) Section 831.01, relating to forgery. (q) Section 831.02, relating to uttering forged instruments. (r) Section 831.07, relating to forging bank bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes. (s) Section 831.09, relating to uttering forged bank bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes. (t) Section 831.30, relating to fraud in obtaining medicinal drugs. (u) Section 831.31, relating to the sale, manufacture, delivery, or possession with the intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver any counterfeit controlled substance, if the offense was a felony. (v) Section 895.03, relating to racketeering and collection of unlawful debts. (w) Section 896.101, relating to the Florida Money Laundering Act. If, upon rescreening, a person who is currently employed or with a licensee and was screened and qualified under s. 435.04 has a disqualifying offense that was not a disqualifying offense at the time of the last screening, but is a current disqualifying offense and was committed before the last screening, he or she may apply for an exemption from the appropriate licensing agency and, if agreed to by the employer, may continue to perform his or her duties until the licensing agency renders a decision on the application for exemption if the person is eligible	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 3 to apply for an exemption and the exemption request is received by the agency no later than 30 days after receipt of the rescreening results by the person. (5) The costs associated with obtaining the required screening must be borne by the licensee or the person subject to screening. Licensees may reimburse persons for these costs. The Department of Law Enforcement shall charge the agency for screening pursuant to s. 943.053(3). The agency shall establish a schedule of fees to cover the costs of screening. (6)(a) As provided in chapter 435, the agency may grant an exemption from disqualification to a person who is subject to this section and who: - Does not have an active professional license or certification from the Department of Health; or - Has an active professional license or certification from the Department of Health but is not providing a service within the scope of that license or certification. (b) As provided in chapter 435, the appropriate regulatory board within the Department of Health, or the department itself if there is no board, may grant an exemption from disqualification to a person who is subject to this section and who has received a professional license or certification from the Department of Health or a regulatory board within that department and that person is providing a service within the scope of his or her licensed or certified practice. (7) The agency and the Department of Health may adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this section, chapter 435, and authorizing statutes requiring background screening and to implement and adopt criteria	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 4 relating to retaining _____ pursuant to s. 943.05(2). (8) There is no reemployment assistance or other monetary liability on the part of, and no cause of action for damages arising against, an employer that, upon notice of a disqualifying offense listed under chapter 435 or this section, terminates the person against whom the report was issued, whether or not that person has filed for an exemption with the Department of Health or the agency. 435.06 Exclusion from employment.- (1) If an employer or agency has reasonable cause to believe that grounds exist for the denial or termination of employment of any employee as a result of background screening, it shall notify the employee in writing, stating the specific record that indicates noncompliance with the standards in this chapter. It is the responsibility of the affected employee to contest his or her disqualification or to request exemption from disqualification. The only basis for contesting the disqualification is proof of mistaken identity. (2)(a) An employer may not hire, select, or otherwise allow an employee to have contact with any _____ person that would place the employee in a role that requires background screening until the screening process is completed and demonstrates the absence of any grounds for the denial or termination of employment. If the screening process shows any grounds for the denial or termination of employment, the employer may not hire, select, or otherwise allow the employee to have contact with any _____ person that would place the employee in a role that requires background screening unless the employee is granted an	CZ815			

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CZ815	Continued From page 5 exemption for the disqualification by the agency as provided under s. 435.07. (b) If an employer becomes aware that an employee has been _____ for a disqualifying offense, the employer must remove the employee from contact with any _____ person that places the employee in a role that requires background screening until the _____ is resolved in a way that the employer determines that the employee is still eligible for employment under this chapter. (c) The employer must terminate the employment of any of its personnel found to be in noncompliance with the minimum standards of this chapter or place the employee in a position for which background screening is not required unless the employee is granted an exemption from disqualification pursuant to s. 435.07. (d) An employer may hire an employee to a position that requires background screening before the employee completes the screening process for training and orientation purposes. However, the employee may not have direct contact with _____ persons until the screening process is completed and the employee demonstrates that he or she exhibits no behaviors that warrant the denial or termination of employment. (3) Any employee who refuses to cooperate in such screening or refuses to timely submit the information necessary to complete the screening, including _____, if required, must be disqualified for employment in such position or, if employed, must be dismissed. (4) There is no reemployment assistance or other monetary liability on the part of, and no cause of action for damages against, an employer that, upon notice of a conviction or _____ for a disqualifying offense listed under this chapter,	CZ815			

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CZ815	Continued From page 6 terminates the person against whom the report was issued or who was _____, regardless of whether or not that person has filed for an exemption pursuant to this chapter. 435.02 Definitions.-For the purposes of this chapter, the term: (2) "Employee" means any person required by law to be screened pursuant to this chapter, including, but not limited to, persons who are contractors, licensees, or volunteers. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview, the Facility failed to obtain an eligible level two background screening after a 90 day break in employment for one employee (Staff B) of three sampled employees hired. Findings Included: A review of the Facility's background screening employee roster, conducted on _____, revealed Staff B was hired on _____. Staff B's eligible level-two background screening was dated _____. There was no evidence of a new background screening upon hire. A record review of Staff B's personnel file (application) was reviewed with the Administrator. The Administrator reviewed the file and confirmed there was an 17 month break within Staff B's employment to the facility. During an interview with the Administrator on _____ at 11:00 a.m., the Administrator called staff B on the telephone and confirmed she did have a 17 month break within her	CZ815		

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CZ815	Continued From page 7 employment prior to working at the facility. During an interview with the Administrator on at 11:03 AM, the Administrator confirmed Staff B currently worked at the facility in direct care roles. The Administrator stated, she wasn't aware there was more than a 90 day break in Staff's B's employment and that Staff B had to be re-screened upon hire. Unclassified	CZ815		

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A 000	Initial Comments An abbreviated biennial survey was conducted at New Horizons Group Home Assisted Living Facility on . New Horizons Group Home Assisted Living Facility had deficient practice identified at the time of the survey.	A 000		
A 181 SS=D	59A-36.019(2) FAC Emergency Plan Approval (2) EMERGENCY PLAN APPROVAL. The plan must be submitted for review and approval to the local emergency management agency. (a) If the local emergency management agency requires revisions to the emergency management plan, such revisions must be made and the plan resubmitted to the local office within 30 days of receiving notification that the plan must be revised. (b) A new facility as described in Rule 59A-36.014, F.A.C., and facilities whose ownership has been transferred, must submit an emergency management plan within 30 days after obtaining a license. (c) The facility must review its emergency management plan on an annual basis. Any substantive changes must be submitted to the local emergency agency for review and approval. 1. Changes in the name, address, telephone number, or position of staff listed in the plan are not considered substantive revisions for the purposes of this rule. 2. Changes in the identification of specific staff must be submitted to the local emergency management agency annually as a signed and dated addendum that is not subject to review and approval. (d) The local emergency management agency is the final administrative authority for emergency management plans prepared by assisted living facilities.	A 181		

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A 181	Continued From page 1 (e) Any plan approved by the local emergency management agency is considered to have met all the criteria and conditions established in this rule. This Statute or Rule is not met as evidenced by: Based on record review and interview the facility failed to submit required revisions of its Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan(CEMP) to the local emergency management agency within 30 days after notification. Findings included: A facility record review conducted on revealed a Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan approval letter issued by the Hillsborough County Office of Emergency Management to the facility dated In an interview with the Administrator on at 09:48 a.m., the Administrator confirmed the facility had not received an approval for their CEMP this year (2021). The Administrator stated, the plan was rejected on due to "the facility failure to obtain and submit an updated fire plan approval letter signed by the local fire Marshall." An interview with the Administrator conducted on at 9:48 a.m. revealed she was unable to provide a more updated CEMP approval letter and or documentation of an resubmission to the Hillsborough County Office of Emergency Management .	A 181		

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