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OMIG AUDIT PROTOCOL CONSUMER DIRECTED PERSONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CDPAP)

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1.	Missing Documentation of Service
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the recipient's record does not include time sheets or time records to document that a service was provided, the claim will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 504.3(a) 18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(vi) 18 NYCRR § 505.28(j)(3) 18 NYCRR § 540.7(a)(8) 18 NYCRR § 517.3(b)(1)
2.	Missing Recipient Record
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the recipient record is not available for review, the claims for the sampled dates of service associated with the recipient record will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 504.3(a) 18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(iv) 18 NYCRR § 540.7(a)(8) 18 NYCRR § 517.3(b)(1)
3.	Billed More Units than Documented or Authorized
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the recipient record does not support the total units billed, the difference between units billed and the documented or authorized units will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 505.28(j)(3) NYS Medicaid Program Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program Provider Manual Policy Guidelines, Version 2011-1 Section III 18 NYCRR § 504.3(e) 18 NYCRR § 504.3(h)
4.	Missing Authorization or Reauthorization
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the recipient's record does not include authorization or reauthorization for the service, the claim will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(iv) NYS Medicaid Program Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program Provider Manual Policy Guidelines, Version 2011-1 Section II

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5.	Services Performed by a Precluded Individual
OMIG Audit Criteria	<p>For Services Prior to 4/1/2016: If payment was made for services performed by the recipient's spouse, parent, or designated representative, the claim will be disallowed.</p> <p>For Services 4/1/2016 Forward: If payment was made for services performed by the recipient's spouse, parent of the recipient that is under the age of 21, or designated representative, the claim will be disallowed.</p>
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 505.28(b)(3) NYS Medicaid Program Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program Provider Manual Policy Guidelines, Version 2011-1 Section III NYS DOH Medicaid Update, March 2016 Vol. 32, No. 3 NY Social Services Law § 365-f(3)
6.	Failure to Complete Required Health Assessment
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the personnel record does not include documentation of an annual health assessment for the personal assistant, the claim will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	10 NYCRR § 766.11(c) and (d)(5) 18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(ii) and (iii)
7.	Missing Certificate of Immunization
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the personnel record does not include documentation of the required certification of immunizations, the claim will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	10 NYCRR § 766.11(d) 18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(ii) and (iii)
8.	Missing Documentation of a PPD (Mantoux) Skin Test or Follow-Up
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the personnel record does not include documentation that the personal assistant received a complete PPD skin test within the required time frame, the claim will be disallowed. <u>Note:</u> This will include FDA approved blood assay or documentation of appropriate follow-up for positive test results.
Regulatory References	10 NYCRR § 766.11(d) 18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(ii) and (iii)
9.	Missing Personnel Record(s)
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the personnel record for the personal assistant providing sampled services is missing, the claim will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(iii)

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10.	Failure to Process Consumer Directed Personal Assistant's Wages and Benefits
OMIG Audit Criteria	If the fiscal intermediary did not process the consumer directed personal assistant's income tax and other required wage withholdings or comply with worker's compensation, disability and unemployment insurance requirements the claim will be disallowed.
Regulatory References	18 NYCRR § 505.28(i)(1)(i)

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