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**[The hospital must require appropriate staff to have education, training, and**

**demonstrated knowledge based on the specific needs of the patient population in at least the following:]**

**§482.13(f)(2)(v) - Clinical identification of specific behavioral changes that indicate that restraint or seclusion is no longer necessary.**

### **Interpretive Guidelines §482.13(f)(2)(v)**

The use of restraint or seclusion must be ended at the earliest possible time regardless of the length of time identified in the order. Staff must be trained and demonstrate competency in their ability to identify specific patient behavioral changes that may indicate that restraint or seclusion is no longer necessary and can be safely discontinued.

### **Survey Procedures §482.13(f)(2)(v)**

Does the hospital educational program address identification of specific behavioral changes that may indicate that restraint or seclusion is no longer necessary?

Interview staff to determine if they are able to demonstrate the abilities addressed in this requirement.