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TO: Central Management, Site Managers, BVS1, BVS2, Central Training, OIS Oversight Trainers
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SUBJECT: IR/GER for Body Positioning/Physical Positioning

On May 1, 2012, I sent out a memo explaining that the definition for Body Positioning/Physical Positioning changed. Now a year later, the definition has changed again in the OIS Owners Manual to the following:

Physical Positioning PPI

The definition for Physical Positioning PPI is:

1. When staff use their body position, within the environment, for the purpose of preventing access to an area, item, person, activity, etc.,
2. **AND** the individual being supported **demonstrates resistance** to the Physical Positioning through verbal and/or physical actions.

Special Note: Pro-Active Physical **Presence** is defined below for clarification and is not a PPI.

The definition for Pro-Active Physical Presence is:

1. When staff use their body position, within the environment, for the purpose of providing training/cueing/guidance and/or support,
2. **AND** the individual being supported **DOES NOT demonstrate resistance** through verbal and/or physical actions to the training/cueing/guidance and/or support being provided.

A GER continues to be required for Physical Positioning because it is a PPI, however, a GER is not required for Pro-Active Physical Presence.