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DVR did not provide effective monitoring in accordance with the monitoring agreement.	We recommend DVR conduct monitoring in accordance with the risk assessment and monitoring plan. In addition, we recommend DVR promptly provide any monitoring results and recommendations for improvement to the CIL and ensure corrective action has been initiated on noted deficiencies.	Concur. VR has completed the 2020-21 Risk assessment and monitoring plan. The CIL in Central Florida is scheduled to be monitored twice during the contract year. Any monitoring results and recommendations for improvement will be immediately shared with the CIL and ensure corrective action can be initiated in a timely manner to correct any noted deficiencies.	VR is in the process of completing two monitoring's this year, in accordance with the monitoring plan. The results of any deficiencies will be shared with the CIL in a timely manner to support any needed corrective action.	1st monitoring completion, April 30, 2021, 2nd monitoring completion July 31, 2021, Monica Moye 245-7004
The CIL did not maintain sufficient documentation to	We recommend DVR include a review of expenditures incurred	Concur. VR will include a review of expenditures incurred and the supporting documentation as part of their	As part of scheduled monitoring of the CIL, VR will include a review of selected 1 st and 3 rd quarter	1 st monitoring completion, April 30, 2021, 2 nd monitoring

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demonstrate	and the supporting	monitoring efforts to ensure	expenses based on the	completion July
appropriate	documentation as part of	expenditures are supported,	monthly budget	31, 2021,
allocation of Contract	their monitoring efforts to	allowable, allocable, reasonable,	reconciliation that require	Monica Moye
#19-103 funds.	ensure expenditures are	and necessary to the	all expenses be tracked by	245-7004
	supported, allowable,	performance of the contract	funding source.	
	allocable, reasonable, and	during the bi-annual monitoring		
	necessary to the performance	of the CIL in Central Florida.		
	of the contract.			
Consumer service	We recommend DVR	Concur. VR will include a	As part of scheduled	1 st monitoring
records did not	include a review of CSRs in	review of CSRs in its monitoring	monitoring of the CIL, VR	completion, April
include all required	its monitoring activities and	activities to ensure consumers	will include a review of	30, 2021, 2 nd
elements and	ensure consumers have been	have been deemed eligible for	selected 1 st and 3 rd quarter	monitoring
documentation could	deemed eligible for services	services in accordance with the	consumer service records,	completion July
be strengthened.	in accordance with the	federal regulations during the bi-	based on required monthly	31, 2021,
	federal regulations.	annual monitoring of the CIL in	consumer service record	Monica Moye
		Central Florida.	reports, to see if consumers	245-7004
			have been deemed eligible	
			in accordance with federal	
			regulations.	
The CIL did not	We recommend the CIL	Concur. CIL concurs that	Notations on individual	Completed and
maintain sufficient	notate the funding	notations were not made on	invoices as to the	ongoing
documentation to	allocations on the individual	individual invoices showing	breakdown of SSA/Part B	
demonstrate	invoices or expense	allocated amounts to the State	and General Revenue	Contact:
appropriate allocation	categories to support	contract and breaking down		Charlotte Leavitt

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of Contract #19-103	expenditures incurred. We	amounts allocated specifically to	dollars allocated will begin	Operations
funds.	additionally recommend the	SSA/Part B and General	on 7/1/2020 and be ongoing	Director
	CIL enhance its procedures	Revenue dollars. Expense		cleavitt@cilorlan
	to ensure expenses funded	categories were also not notated		do.org
	through DVR's contract are	on individual invoices. CIL did		
	allowable and appropriately	provide supporting documents		Direct line:
	reflected by funding source.	for all sampled expenditure		(407) 961-5531
		transactions for both FY 2018-		
		2019 and July-December 2019.		
		The line item amounts in the GL		
		stated the expense category		
		associated with State funding		
		expenditure accounts that		
		specifically correlated to the		
		DVR Contract budget and		
		matched the amounts reported in		
		the quarterly or monthly budget		
		reconciliations submitted. All		
		supporting documents, either		
		individually or as a group for a		
		given expenditure in a given		
		month or quarter, for these		
		expenditures exceeded the		
		amount allocated to the State		

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		budget. However, amounts		
		allocated to the State were		
		extrapolated from these total		
		amounts, and individual invoices		
		did not have the specified		
		amount allocated to the State		
		budget notated on the invoice.		
		CIL provided the State auditors		
		with the original invoice entry		
		transactions in the G/L 200 fund		
		account and correlating journal		
		entry allocating the expenditure		
		to the corresponding State		
		budget line item. This way an		
		audit trail was established from		
		supporting documentation to		
		State allocated expenditure. All		
		costs were allowable. CIL		
		expended all funds in accordance		
		with budget allocations		
		submitted. CIL maintains a		
		financial management system		
		relating to funds received and		
		expended in accordance with		

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		generally accepted accounting		
		principles as reported in our		
		annual single audit conducted by		
		an independent, state of Florida		
		licensed CPA firm. CIL		
		documents its cost		
		methodologies used to allocate		
		direct and indirect costs in its		
		cost allocation plan. CIL will		
		make notations on individual		
		invoices breaking down the		
		amounts allocated to Part B/SSA		
		dollars and GR dollars. Notated		
		amounts will include the expense		
		category.		
Consumer service	We recommend the CIL	Concur. CIL concurs that there	Eligibility Determination	Completed and
records did not	improve disability	were three consumer service	form and statement will	ongoing
include all required	verification practices and	records (4%) that did not have	begin for all new consumers	
elements and	documentation by including	signed and dated eligibility	whose entry date is on or	Contact:
documentation could	an eligibility determination	documentation before or at the	after 10/1/2020 and be	Elizabeth Howe
be strengthened.	statement in the CSR. We	time of the development of the	ongoing. ILP creation date	Executive
	additionally recommend the	IL plan or services and that	documentation prior to or	Director
	CIL establish IL plans with	currently there is not a specific	concurrent with services	
		eligibility determination	rendered will begin for all	Direct line:

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	consumers prior to rendering	statement in the CSR. CIL has	new consumers whose entry	(407) 961-5526
	services.	always documented (but not	date is on or after 10/1/2020	
		signed) an individual's disability	and be ongoing.	
		prior to the person becoming a		
		consumer and developing an ILP		
		or waiver. This is done at the		
		information and referral (IR)		
		level and notated and dated in a		
		contact note that is merged into		
		the consumer record if and when		
		the individual becomes a		
		consumer and signs all		
		applicable documentation. Our		
		IR procedures specifically state		
		that disability is established		
		before they are referred to any		
		CIL program for services. We		
		will develop and implement a		
		separate eligibility determination		
		form documenting reported		
		disability and eligibility		
		determination date. This will be		
		printed and signed and added to		
		the consumer record. As for the		

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		second part of the		
		recommendation, CIL currently		
		develops IL plans prior to or at		
		the same time that services are		
		rendered. However, in some		
		instances the plan may be		
		developed with the consumer		
		over the phone, initiating		
		services, with the signing of the		
		ILP occurring in the future when		
		staff meet face-to-face with the		
		consumer. Best practice is to		
		assure that the signed and dated		
		plan indicates plan creation		
		concurrent with or prior to		
		services rendered.		