

Memorandum

Idaho Dept of Correction

Education, Treatment & Reentry Bureau

DATE: August 3, 2011
TO: SUD Treatment Provider Network
FROM: IDOC Central Office SUD Program Team
RE: July 1, 2011 Implementation

The Idaho Department of Corrections (IDOC) continues to work on implementing the system changes to serve the Substance Use Disorder (SUD) funded IDOC clients. We wanted to take this opportunity to update the provider network on the status of the changes.

Assessment

IDOC has created seven District Intake Units, one for each main probation and parole district office. The clinician's in the Intake Units are nearing the completion of their GAIN I certification and have received WITS training and access to the WITS and ABS system. Starting September 1, 2011 the District Intake Units will conduct the majority of the GAIN-I assessments on felony offenders. IDOC will utilize network providers in rural areas or on an as needed basis to conduct GAIN- I assessments under the current procedures.

Treatment Services

IDOC's goal is to serve the maximum number of clients via a consistent and fiscally sustainable referral process. To accomplish this goal a treatment matrix has been developed that supports client movement in phases based on ASAM criteria and Continued Stay Requests (CSR) conducted by BPA. The IDOC SUD Clinical Treatment Services Matrix (*See attached*) is limited to three (3) phases of treatment with service and time limitations in each phase. IDOC believes this process will allow an increase of the number of clients treated within the allocated budget. The IDOC central office clinical team will work closely with the BPA care management team to review each client in this process. If budgetary constraints do not permit services as requested, the IDOC SUD Team will prioritize and determine final service authorization.

It is critical for you to communicate and work closely with the client and their PO in this process. IDOC expects you to continue to utilize your clinical expertise in engaging the client in care as well as discharging clients who are not engaged or willing to participate in care. Again, collaboration should take place with the PO in this process.

Stage 1 and Stage 2 Continued Stay Requests (CSR's) should be submitted to BPA two weeks prior to the end of the authorization end date to allow for the CSR review to be completed by BPA and communicated to IDOC for final determination.

At this time clients who complete Stage 3 will be discharged from SUD funded treatment. However, IDOC will monitor and manage the budget closely and may develop consideration of additional RSS services or maintenance services at the local district offices.

Clients with Open Authorizations

IDOC is working closely with BPA to transition clients with an open authorization to the new system. Providers can expect to receive notice from BPA to either transition the client to one of the three phases in the IDOC model based on the length of time they have been in treatment, or to discharge the client. IDOC is also working with BPA to close any open authorizations for an inactive client or clients that are not accepted into the IDOC Funding. Providers should help transition these clients out of treatment and provide appropriate referrals.

Contact and Resources

Please continue to work closely with BPA on authorizations, CSR's and claims processes. We encourage you to work closely with your local district probation and parole offices and probation officers.

Providers may also contact Suzette Driscoll at 672-3425 or at sdriscol@idoc.idaho.gov for any questions or issues they may have in this new process.

IDOC is committed to the clients, providers and our partners to make this new infrastructure successful. We can achieve this with open communication and commitment from all of those involved. We look forward to working together with you in this new process.