Instructions for Completing the Department Approved Competency Checklist
for Intervention Specialists
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Individuals who choose to meet the Department approved competency to provide intervention services as an Intervention Specialist may meet the minimum requirements by completing this Competency Checklist. Individuals must demonstrate proficiency by performing each skill listed on the Competency Checklist.

Who is Qualified to Complete the Competency Checklist?
An individual can administer the Competency Checklist if they meet or exceed the provider qualification for which they are reviewing. For the purpose of the Competency Checklist this person will be referred to as the assessor. The assessor can be employed by the same employer or can be an individual who is an Independent Provider. There may be multiple assessors who complete one individuals Checklist.

For individuals completing the Competency Checklist to become an Intervention Specialist the following individuals can administer the Competency Checklist:

- Intervention Specialist
- Evidence-Based Model (EBM) Intervention Specialist
- Intervention Professional
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How do I complete the Competency Checklist?
The assessor must assess each competency area with the individual. If a section is not checked as determining proficiency, the staff will not meet the minimum requirements to provide services as an Intervention Specialist. The Checklist can be completed in the following ways:

Direct Observation: the assessor will observe the individual completing the tasks on the checklist while they are interacting with a client.

Interview/Role-play: the assessor will ask the individual questions in which responses would indicate that the staff could demonstrate the minimum content requirements.

Multiple: the assessor will use a combination of observations and interviews/role-play to demonstrate the individual’s competency in specified content areas.

It is recommended that the staff review the content areas prior to completing the Competency Assessment with the assessor so that they are familiar with the content and competency areas.

How long will it take me to complete the Competency Checklist?
The amount of time it takes to complete the Competency Checklist varies from individual to individual. If an individual can demonstrate proficiency and skills are signed off on by the assessor, completing the Competency Checklist may not take that long. If the individual is unable to demonstrate their proficiency, the assessor may provide them with feedback and/or additional resources to be utilized to gain further knowledge in that specific skill or area. The assessor can then re-assess those skill areas.

Can I change or modify the Competency Checklist?
The Competency Checklist is a Department of Health & Welfare approved form and will be referenced in the Medicaid Provider Handbook. No modifications should be made to this document. If you have questions about the form or have identified an error, please email Angie.Williams@dhw.idaho.gov