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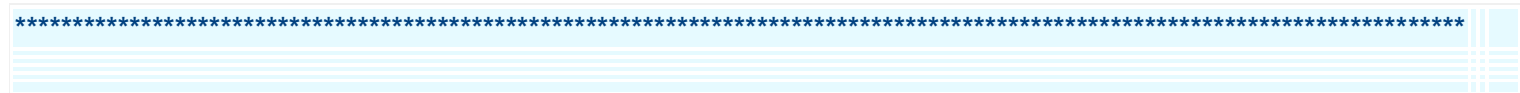
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Summary

Revised and updated the entirety of this page for accuracy. Removed procedural information from the page and updated/migrated this content to the CSD Procedures Handbook.



Chemical Dependency Substance Use Disorders: Assessment and Treatment Requirements fFor ABD, HEN Referral, and PWA, And HEN Referral

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WAC 388-447-0120 -How does alcohol or drug dependence affect my eligibility for referral to the housing and essential needs (HEN) program?

WAC 388-449-0220 -How does alcohol or drug dependence affect my eligibility for the ABD cash and pPregnant wWomen aAssistance programs?

Clarifying Information

1. If there is an indication of a potentialWhen we have current objective information that indicates an ABD or HEN Referral recipient may have a substance use disorder that is material to the client's incapacitating or disabling condition(s), ABD and /HEN Referral /PWA-recipients must complete a chemical dependency assessment as a condition of eligibility. Indications of a ~~potential~~ substance use disorder include, but are not limited to:
 - o A diagnosis of a substance use disorder;
 - o ~~SA note regarding alcohol on the breath (AOB) or signs of intoxication~~ noted by a medical provider; ~~r or DSHS staff.~~
 - o ~~A diagnosis of a substance related disorder.~~
 - o Medical or mental health chart notes indicating overuse or misuse of prescribed medication; ~~r~~
 - o Recent legal problems associated with substance use (e.g. as reported by the client or documented via medical records)e.g. DUI, Possession of Controlled Substance; or
 - o ~~Concern regarding the person's substance use expressed by family members, friends, or past employers.~~Statement from the client that their substance use is a barrier to employment
2. When we have current objective information that indicates a PWA recipient may have a substance use disorder, PWA recipients must complete a chemical dependency assessment as a condition of eligibility.
3. ~~If a current the~~ chemical dependency assessment from a certified chemical dependency counselor indicates a need for treatment, ABD, /HEN Referral, and /PWA recipients must participate in recommended treatment as a condition of eligibility.
3. Chemical dependency assessments are valid for 6 months. Once a client is engaged in substance use treatment, it is not necessary to obtain a new chemical dependency assessment unless otherwise recommended by the client's treatment provider.
4. Good cause for failure to complete a chemical dependency assessment or treatment is limited to the following:
 - o The recipient's physical or mental impairment(s) prevent them from participating based on a review of available objective medical evidence;
 - o The outpatient substance use disorder treatment the recipient needs is not available in the county where they reside; or
 - o The inpatient substance use disorder treatment the recipient needs is not available in an area they can reasonably access.
5. When a client is terminated from ABD, HEN Referral, or PWA due to a failure to follow through with an assessment or treatment without good cause, the client remains ineligible until they take necessary steps (within their power) to resolve their non-cooperation.

~~4.6. The Disability Specialist monitors assessment and treatment requirements for ABD, HEN Referral, and PWA clients. (See CSD Procedures Handbook: Substance Use Disorder Assessment and Treatment- ABD, HEN Referral, and PWA) If a person is assessed as dependent, no additional assessments are needed for 6 months.~~

~~Worker Responsibilities~~

- ~~1. If there is an indication of a substance use disorder or chemical dependency, notify the ABD/PWA/HEN Referral recipient that they must complete a chemical dependency assessment using the 14-529 (ABD) or 14-527 (HEN Referral).~~
- ~~2. If the chemical dependency assessment indicates a need for treatment, notify the ABD/PWA/HEN Referral recipient that they must participate in treatment using the 14-529 (ABD) or 14-527 (HEN Referral).~~
- ~~3. Track participation in the chemical dependency assessment and treatment using the CD Treatment tab of the ICMS Case Plan screen. Treatment monitoring is required for all recipients assessed as in need of substance use disorder or chemical dependency treatment.~~
- ~~4. If the recipients fails to follow through with an assessment or treatment, send the 14-522 (ABD) or 14-528 (HEN Referral). If the recipient does not respond to the 14-522 (ABD) or 14-528 (HEN Referral), assume non-cooperation without good cause.~~
- ~~5. Good cause for failure to complete a chemical dependency assessment or treatment is limited to the following:
 - ~~○ The recipient's physical or mental impairment prevents them from participating based on a review of available objective medical evidence;~~
 - ~~○ The outpatient substance use disorder or chemical dependency treatment the recipient needs is not available in the county where they reside; or~~
 - ~~○ The inpatient substance use disorder or chemical dependency treatment the recipient needs is not available in an area they can reasonably access.~~~~
- ~~6. If the recipient fails to follow through with a chemical dependency assessment or treatment without good cause, terminate ABD/PWA/HEN Referral using ACES Reason Code 578.~~
- ~~7. The individual remains ineligible for the ABD/PWA/HEN Referral programs until they reapply and provide proof they have resolved their non-cooperation status.~~