

WSC Procedures for Treatment of Priority Populations

Policy: Programs are contractually required to treat certain populations in a priority manner.

Procedure:

- The first four priority populations in the list below must be given priority admission in the following order:
 - Involuntary Commitments
 - Pregnant Women
 - Injecting Drug Users
 - Women with Dependent Children
- Priority populations cannot be refused services for inability to pay up front
- Programs must have a provision for their sliding fee scale to go to zero for the first four populations

*Refer to the current ADAD Contract Exhibit B for further information on the West Slope Casa website, <http://www.westslopecasa.org/ADADcontract.aspx>.

- The following matrix illustrates Federal Block Grant requirements for treatment of these populations. All programs must either provide, or make provisions for these services.
- Providers will assure all clinical staff are trained in the Priority Population requirements, as well as the ADAD Contract Treatment and Related Services Exhibit B within the first 90 days of hire. Contract Exhibit is accessed on the link above.

| Population | Level of Care | Special Assessment | Required Interim Services | Required Services | Auxiliary Services | Linkages |
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| Involuntary Commitments | Determine by State | By ADAD | Apply if one of top 4 priority populations | Apply if one of other priority populations | Apply if one of other priority pops | |
| Pregnant Women | Determine by ASAM | ASI, Special Connections screen, Family Assessment | Counseling, within 48 hours provide referral for prenatal care, education & testing for HIV and TB, including risks of needle sharing, risk of transmission to sexual partners and infants | Gender-specific treatment, including women-only group therapy & pregnant women's groups provided by staff trained in women's issues. Education on the effects of alcohol and drugs on the fetus. Also child care & transportation to treatment, prenatal & primary medical care. | Parenting classes, Violence prevention, Nutrition, Child development, Budgeting, Educational assessment, Therapeutic interventions for children in the custody of women in treatment | Family planning, Social Services, Mental health, Voc rehab, Housing, Health education |
| Injecting Drug Users | Determine by ASAM | ASI and Infectious Disease Screens (ADAD, 8/02) | HIV & TB education & testing, weekly outpatient counseling, works monitoring (if applicable) | Education about HIV and TB, including risks of needle sharing, risk of transmission to sexual partners and infants | Outreach | Voc rehab, Housing |
| Women with Dependent Children | Determine by ASAM | ASI, Family assessment | Weekly outpatient therapy, plus all required interim services for pregnant women, if applicable. | Referral for primary medical & pediatric care, Child care & transportation during treatment, Case management, Gender-specific treatment addressing women's issues provided by staff trained in women's issues | Parenting skills, Violence prevention, Nutrition, Child development, Financial planning, Educational assessment | Family planning, Social services, Mental health |
| Parents & Children Referred by | Determine by ASAM | ASI, ASAP II or other approved | | Family therapy & education on prevention of child abuse & neglect provided by staff | Child care, Parenting classes, Financial planning, | Family planning, Mental Health, Primary health |

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| Child Welfare | | instrument, Family Assessment | | trained in family therapy | Educational Assessment | care |
| Minors | Determine by Adolescent ASAM | ASAP II or other approved instrument | | Adolescent-only groups | Age-appropriate services | Schools, Job training, social services, primary healthcare, mental health |
| Recipients of Aid to Needy and Disabled | Determine by ASAM | Social Services | Apply if one of top 4 priority pops | Apply if one of other priority pops | Apply if one of other priority pops | Apply if one of other priority pops |
| Adult Criminal Justice Referrals | Determine by ASAM or 11.5 assessment from Probation | ASI or 11.5 from Probation | | Address co-morbid anti-social behaviors in addition to substance abuse | Strategies for Self Improvement and Change (SSIC) | Voc rehab, Social services, Consumer credit, Primary health care, Mental health |
| Persons with Co-Occurring Disorders | Determine by ASAM | ASI plus Differential Assessment for mental health issues for adults, ASAP II or other approved instrument for adolescents | | Provisions made for administration of prescribed medications while in treatment | | Social services, Mental health, Primary health care, Housing, Voc rehab |
| Indigent DUI | Determine by Alcohol Evaluator | | | Ongoing verification of indigent eligibility | | |