





Topics Covered for this Training

- Crisis Management Services
- Screening Tools for Substance Use and Psychiatric Issues
- Assessment Tools for Substance Use and Comprehensive Evaluation
- Integrated Treatment Plans



- All new consumers requesting or being referred for behavioral health will, at the time of first contact, receive a preliminary screening and risk assessment to determine acuity of needs.
- That screening may occur telephonically or in person.



Collaborative Management and Assessment of Suicidality

• The framework fundamentally involves a participant's engagement and cooperation in assessing and managing suicidal thoughts and behaviors and the therapist's understanding of the patient's suicidal thoughts, feelings, and behaviors. A multi-purpose clinical tool, called the Suicide Status Form (SSF), guides the patient's assessment and treatment and is developed collaboratively between the patient and the practitioner throughout the course of therapy. The duration of the CAMS treatment varies, depending on the patient's condition.

Suicide Status Form (SSF)

Let's look at the form.

Crisis Management Services

• Identifying and managing individuals who may be at-risk of or currently experiencing withdrawal is essential to mitigating risk and determining the level of care needed to safely manage the severity of withdrawal. Individuals will be assessed for signs and symptoms of withdrawal using the *Clinical Institute Withdrawal Assessment of Alcohol Scale (CIWA/CIWA-Ar)* and the *Clinical Opiate Withdrawal Scale (COWS)*.

Crisis Management Services

- If the screening identifies an emergency/crisis need, appropriate action is taken immediately, including any necessary subsequent outpatient follow-up.
- If the screening identifies an urgent need, clinical services are provided and the initial evaluation completed within one business day of the time the request is made.
- If the screening identifies routine needs, services will be provided and the initial evaluation completed within 10 business days.

Crisis Management Services

- For those presenting with emergency or urgent needs, the initial evaluation may be conducted telephonically or by telehealth/telemedicine but an inperson evaluation is preferred.
- If the initial evaluation is conducted telephonically, once the emergency is resolved the consumer must be seen in person at the next subsequent encounter and the initial evaluation reviewed.

Screening Leads to Assessment

- All new consumers will receive a more comprehensive person-centered and family-centered diagnostic and treatment planning evaluation to be completed within 60 calendar days of the first request for services.
- This requirement that the comprehensive evaluation be completed within 60 calendar days does not preclude either the initiation or completion of the comprehensive evaluation or the provision of treatment during the 60 day period.

Screening in Context

- The preliminary screening will be followed by:
 - (1) an initial evaluation, and
 - (2) a comprehensive person-centered and family-centered diagnostic and treatment planning evaluation, with the components of each specified in program requirement, 4.
 - Each evaluation builds upon what came before it.



Types of Screening Tools

- *The Patient Health Questionnaire-9 (PHQ-9)* and the *DSM-5 Level 1 and 2 Cross-Cutting Symptom* screens are also standardized screening tools that provide a wide variety of validated screenings as well and symptom severity ratings for on-going monitoring of symptoms during treatment and recovery.
- Standardized screenings assist clinical decision making to determine if an individual may meet criteria for a behavioral health issue and require additional diagnostic assessment.



Using Screening Measures to Make Informed Decisions

• All individuals requiring further diagnostic assessment will be provided with standardized bio-psycho-social assessments to help guide the clinician, in collaboration with the individuals seeking services and their families, to make informed decisions on the treatment and recovery support options.

Assessment

• The comprehensive person-centered and family-centered diagnostic and treatment planning evaluation is updated by the treatment team, in agreement with and endorsed by the consumer and in consultation with the primary care provider (if any), when changes in the consumer's status, responses to treatment, or goal achievement have occurred.

Assessment

• The assessment must be updated no less frequently than every 90 calendar days unless the state has established a standard that meets the expectation of quality care and that renders this time frame unworkable, or state, federal, or applicable accreditation standards are more stringent.



Assessment

- The initial evaluation (including information gathered as part of the preliminary screening and risk assessment), as required in program requirement 2, includes, at a minimum:
 - (5) a list of current prescriptions and over-the-counter medications, as well as other substances the consumer may be taking;
 - (6) an assessment of whether the consumer is a risk to self or to others, including suicide risk factors;
 - (7) an assessment of whether the consumer has other concerns for their safety;
 - (8) assessment of need for medical care (with referral and follow-up as required); and
 - (9) a determination of whether the person presently is or ever has been a member of the U.S. Armed Services.







Assessment

- Factors that should be considered related to the assessment include:
 - (10) assessment of need for other services required by the statute (i.e., peer and family/caregiver support services, targeted case management, psychiatric rehabilitation services, LEP or linguistic services);
 - (11) assessment of the social service needs of the consumer, with necessary referrals made to social services and, for pediatric consumers, to child welfare agencies as appropriate; and













- Completed by an appropriately licensed clinician such as an LCSW.
- Additional biopsychosocial questions related to mental health status, symptomology and impact of functioning
- Determine threshold of significance
- Detailed psychiatric evaluation with collaborative DSM 5 diagnosis

Standardized Biopsychosocial Assessment Tools

• Functional impairment measurement using the *World Health Organization Disability Assessment Scale Version 2 (WHODAS 2.0)* will provide the client's treatment team with valuable information they can use to determine eligibility for additional supports, such as Long-term Services and Supports (LTSS) and address the degree to which an individuals' level of impairment may impact treatment and recovery outcomes.

Standardized Biopsychosocial Assessment Tools

- DSM 5 Diagnosis (Differential Diagnosis)
 - Provisional Diagnosis
 - Rule Out
 - Differential Diagnosis
 - The ability to diagnosis a full range of substance use and/or other psychiatric disorders





- Substance Use Related Goals, Action Steps, Interventions
- Mental Health Diagnosis Related Goals, Action Steps, Interventions
- Medical Related Diagnosis Related Goals, Action Steps, Interventions
- Case Management Related Goals, Action Steps, Interventions

Questions?

Thank you for participating!