ASAM Q & A SESSIONS – LIST OF QUESTIONS

APRIL 20, 2023:

- o what are the alternatives to the continuum software, the ASAM interview guide on paper? You are requiring one or the other?
 - HSD: each provider can choose to either ensure their current assessment tool is compliant with the OAR for ASAM assessments or use one of the ASAM proprietary assessment tools (pdf version that is free or the CONTINUUM software – integrated or stand alone versions)
- Is the LOI a commitment from the organization to implement Continuum, or can it reflect our interest to learn or pursue (and leave the option to decide after learning more)?
 - HSD: The LOI response is not a commitment. We are looking for a projection of how many providers might be interested in the software options.
 - HSD: Look for that email next week, and please email us at the address that will be provided on the LOI if you have any questions.
- o Can we get the list of EMRs that are currently integrated?
 - https://www.asam.org/asam-criteria/asam-criteria-software/asam-criteria-softwa
- Would using Continuum cover all required elements of an A&D assessment per the OARs? I have met with ASAM and they said its not customizable on an ad hoc basis.
 - HSD: Yes, the ASAM CONTINUUM software or the pdf version would meet the OAR requirements.
- Some of the language in Continuum wasn't as trauma informed as it could be... It also can take a long time to complete in one sitting. I'm concerned that it could be a barrier to accessing services for vulnerable patients. Could we initiate services based on the Co-triage screening and do the Continuum Assessment over time?

- O Will bring this back to our team and further discuss and then respond. Thank you for the question. A complete response may be several months out as this may be in-part reliant upon what HSD writes into the rules as a result of the recommendations made by the Rapid Engagement workgroup later this summer.
- Would our particular compliance specialist be the go to person for questions, or is it someone on this meeting I should be communicating with so as to not bog down the process?
 - o HSD: Please email your questions to melissa.c.farin@oha.oregon.gov and your Compliance Specialist.
- I might have missed it but did we discuss the fiscal impacts for the new licensure structure for each LOC?
 - The Rules Advisory Committee process addresses impact to small business owners.
 - Yes, will take this back to the team and then follow up with you [Cassie Sturtz], and/or add to FAQs.
- o Is the requirement for base lines still in there?
 - HSD: Yes, that was not addressed, as it is expected to part of the Rapid Engagement workgroup.
- I think it removed duration (minutes/hrs) for the services on the service plan?
 - HSD: this is what was removed from Service Planning OARs in DIV 18:
 - (c) The date, time of service, and the actual amount of time the services were rendered;
 - (d) The type of personnel furnishing the services;
 - o HSD: this is what was removed from Service *Planning OARs* in DIV 19:
 - (c) A projected schedule for service and support delivery, including the expected frequency and duration of each type of planned service or support; (the strike-though here shows what was removed)
 - (d) The credentials of the personnel providing each service and support;

- HSD: this is what was removed from Service Notes OARs in DIV 19 (it was not in DIV 18):
 - (d) The relationship of the services provided to the treatment objective described in the service plan;
- o are these updated OARs online? on the state website?
 - HSD: yes. please only obtain OAR through the Secretary of State website: https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/ruleSearch.action
- HSD: We are working hard to overcommunicate. Please let us know what is helpful and what is not, or what else might be helpful, and we will do our best to modify our approach as needed going forward.