

Memorandum

Idaho Dept of Correction

Education, Treatment & Reentry Bureau

DATE: November 22, 2011

TO: SUD Treatment Provider Network

FROM: IDOC Central Office SUD Program Team

RE: *IDOC Update*

The Idaho Department of Corrections (IDOC) has continued to work with the District offices, the judicial system, Business Psychology Associates (BPA), Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) and the provider network on the implementation of our SUD treatment program. We have strived to keep the providers updated through communications from IDOC, BPA, DHW and most recently a series of regional Provider Meet & Greets. The changes to the system have been immense and challenging for all involved and we thank you for your positive feedback and consideration through this process.

Through conversations with many of you and our partners we understand that the changes have had impacts on your businesses and it is with some excitement that we can bring you some good news.

After implementing effective fiscal controls, we are happy to report that IDOC has allocated one third (1/3) of the direct services budget at 1/3 of the way through the fiscal year. Having begun this process September 1, 2011 and having 60 days experience with authorizations, census and claims data, we are on target to meet our goal of serving the maximum number of clients within the budgeted amount. So far the data is reflective that the 19-2524 remains steady without significant upwards trends which is good news in respect to expanding services to the risk to revoke population.

Referral for Risk to Revoke

Our seven District Intake Units with cooperation from the Probation Officers are responsible for identifying and screening participants for criteria as a risk to revoke for community based SUD treatment. A participant is considered to be at a higher risk to revoke if he/she is actively using drug and/or alcohol.

The district offices will follow our standard process via the Community Corrections Division (CCD) violation matrix which is utilized first and foremost to identify participants for community safety and risk.

We have streamlined the request for funding to make it quick and efficient for the Intake Units to follow. Central office requests will be processed daily with approval notifications to BPA taking place in 24 hours. Contingent on the client contacting BPA this process should take place within 3 days, 5 at the most for the client to begin treatment. We have attached our Risk to Revoke Flow Chart to assist you in understanding the process. (See attached Risk to Revoke Placement Flow Chart)

Authorization and Treatment Services

Providers will receive an authorization from BPA that will include units for a GAIN I assessment and Level 2.1 IOP Stage 1 Treatment. Providers will conduct the GAIN I and submit the GRRS to BPA for review. IDOC is allowing BPA to initiate the first authorization as IOP as we believe that a risk to revoke client will meet the IOP criteria for placement. We rely on providers to assess for the most appropriate level of care. Any changes in level of care will be communicated directly to BPA.

IDOC strongly encourages utilization of case management for our participant population. Many times the risk to revoke population is experiencing critical needs in their life that case management can help to resolve. Providers can request RSS services based on the results of the GAIN I and client need.

IDOC has an expectation that providers will communicate with their district probation officers (PO) any concerns about client attendance, progress and/or participation. In conjunction with the treatment provider, this information will assist the PO in determining the appropriate participant interventions. Accurate and valid information from the providers is critical to assist the PO's support of the participant's success in the treatment process.

Contact and Resources

Please continue to work closely with BPA on authorizations, CSR's and claims processes. We encourage you to work closely with your local district probation and parole offices and probation officers.

Providers may also contact Suzette Driscoll at 672-3425 or at sdriscol@idoc.idaho.gov for any questions or issues they may have in this new process.