Idaho Department of Correction

Pre-Treatment Guidelines

Pre-Treatment Defined: 4 hours a week of either group or individual treatment and RSS including case management, recovery coaching, transportation and substance testing.

1. Treatment Goals:

- **a.** Assess willingness and readiness for change
- **b.** Explore and address problems or risk factors related to substance use
- c. Recognize the harmful consequences of ongoing use
- **d.** Gather collateral information (drug/alcohol testing) for GAIN/level of care (LOC) assessment
- e. Immediate SUD tx prior to the GAIN assessment,
- **f.** Appropriate treatment strategies matched to the stage of change.

2. Length of Pre-Treatment Episode:

- **a.** Expectation of maximum 60 days, extensions may be approved if determined clinically appropriate by BPA Health, up to 120 days.
- **b.** Thorough assessment of all 6 dimensions
- **c.** Identify barriers that could be corrected if the client had RSS services such as SSH (not available in pre-tx)
- **d.** Attendance/engagement = attending 50% or greater of appointments offered, not including the GAIN assessment
- **e.** Partner with the PO for the use of discretionary jail time (DJT) or detox services as an intervention (external motivation)
- **f.** The attendance and engagement guidelines of pre-treatment do not apply if a client meets ASAM criteria for level 3.5 Adult Residential Treatment. A request for 3.5 Adult Residential Treatment can be submitted before client attends pre-treatment.

3. Transfer to higher level of care by submitting an Authorization Change Request (ACR) in WITS:

- **a.** Dimensions 1,2 and 3 are stable, referred to appropriate services or won't interfere,
- **b.** Dimensions 4,5 and 6 indicate appropriate LOC to OP ,IOP, or 3.5 Adult Residential, or
- **c.** Request another pre-treatment episode i.e. making progress but no need for higher LOC or is not ready to commit to a higher LOC

4. Discharge from pre-treatment:

- a. Unwilling to participate, less than 50% attendance not including the GAIN
- **b.** Lack of RSS is not the reason for lack of attendance
- c. Partner with PO for alternatives to treatment in the community
- d. Has completed early intervention and does not meet criteria for a higher LOC

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As noted in the new service matrix effective July 1, 2012 (updated 1/21/16), pre-treatment services include service and authorization limits. Drug testing, case management, recovery coaching transportation, and transportation flat fee are the only RSS that will be authorized during pre-treatment.
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