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Basic Residential Services 2023-100-03

Q1. Page 18 3.3 A.

Core Services for Basic Residential Program:

The second paragraph describes an Intake assessment completed when the child is placed and annually thereafter. Is there a standard form we are to complete? If there is not a specific form and we are to develop one, what specific skills/behaviors/information must be included?

R1 No there is not; the RFPs state what is needed in the intake assessment:

Complete an intake assessment upon entering and once per calendar year thereafter. The intake assessment presents psychological and social functioning, the child's reported physical and medical condition, the need for additional evaluation and/or treatment and the child's fitness for services.

Q2. 3.3.C.

Forty (40) hours of pre-service training including Trauma Informed Partnership Permanency Safety (TIPS) which is a 30-hour curriculum. Is it acceptable to partner with a local DHR or another agency to provide this training, since there is a required number of participants? Is Deciding Together or its equivalent acceptable when there are not enough participants? Also, must this training be completed before beginning employment?

R2. All training and requirements to be licensed should be completed prior to being approved. Vendor would be able to contact SDHR Office of Training for classes related to Trauma Informed Partnership Permanency Safety (TIPS).

Q3. Page 21 3.5

Additional Services for Youth from 14-21 Years Old 3.5.F This requires youth to have a transition plan in place for a more independent living placement no later than age 19 $\frac{1}{2}$. Does this mean they must leave our basic residential program by age 19 $\frac{1}{2}$? Who is responsible for making and implementing this plan?

R3. The children do not have to leave the program at 19 if your program services children until the age of 21. The ISP team is responsible for making and implementing the plan to transition the youth to a more independent living placement.

Q4. 3.7 Outcomes:

Is a Global Assessment of Functioning Scale (GAF) or the Modified Global Assessment of Functioning Scale (MGAF) required for a basic level program? If so, is this something the DHR worker will arrange?



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- R4. Yes. General outcomes will be measured by the Global Assessment of Functioning Scale (GAF) or the Modified Global Assessment of Functioning Scale (MGAF) with an expectation of 75% or better. The GAF can be assessed within a psychological evaluation which could be requested during the referral by DHR
- Q5. Page: 24 4.2.5.2 VENDOR FINANCIAL STABILITY
 What specific letters are you requesting from the auditors who performed our 2019 and 2020 audits?
- R5. The Letters from the auditors who performed the audits for 2019 and 2020 providing a summary of the findings.