

MINORITY AIDS INITIATIVE (MAI) CASE MANAGEMENT STANDARDS OF CARE

FOR

HIV CARE SERVICES IN ORANGE COUNTY

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SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

The goal of case management is to enhance independence and increase quality of life for individuals living with HIV through adherence to medical care. Case management shall prioritize individuals who need support in accessing and maintaining regular medical care. Case management addresses the needs of clients with HIV and assists them in overcoming the obstacles they face in obtaining critical services. Case management shall be flexible to accommodate the medical and psychosocial needs of clients with different backgrounds and in various stages of health and illness. The services delivered shall reflect a philosophy of service delivery that affirms a client's right to privacy, confidentiality, self-determination, nondiscrimination, compassionate and non-judgmental care, dignity, and respect.

Case management is a client-centered process. This means respecting the client's perception of their needs and developing service plans in collaboration with them. This also means empowering the client to take control of their care. It is recommended to incorporate a strengths-based approach, by helping clients identify barriers to accessing care and subsequently identifying personal strengths to overcome these barriers. This is especially important when working with newly diagnosed clients or clients who are returning to care and linking them into medical care. A client-centered process is beneficial to relationship and trust building between the client and their case manager.

Case managers shall also seize opportunities to educate clients about HIV prevention and care. When appropriate, case managers shall educate their clients on life skills such as: practical living skills, functional communication, community integration, treatment adherence, nutritional counseling, and skill building exercises. **Goals of the Standards.** These standards of care are provided to ensure that Orange County's case management services:

- Are accessible to all people living with HIV (PLWH) who meet eligibility requirements
- Promote continuity of care, client monitoring, and follow-up
- Enhance coordination among service providers to eliminate duplication of services
- Foster interagency collaboration
- Provide opportunities and structure to promote client and provider education
- Maintain the highest standards of care for clients
- Protect the rights of people living with HIV
- Provide support services to enable clients to stay in medical care
- Increase client self-sufficiency and quality of life

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS OF CASE MANAGEMENT

MAI Medical Case Management ensures individuals are linked to and engaged in core medical services. MAI Medical Case Management consists of a range of client-centered services that link clients with access to medically appropriate levels of health and support services and continuity of care. MAI Medical Case Management services are provided by trained professionals, including both medically credentialed and other health care staff who are part of the clinical care team, through all types of encounters including face-to-face, phone contact, and any other form of communication. These services ensure timely and coordinated access to medically appropriate levels of health and support services. MAI Medical Case Management should also ensure continuity of care through ongoing assessment of the client's needs and personal support systems. Key activities include: (1) initial assessment of services required to implement the plan; (4) monitoring of client to assess the efficacy of the plan; (5) periodic reevaluation at least every three months and adaptation of the plan, as necessary; and (6) clear documentation of assessment, plan, and referrals.

In Orange County, services under MAI case management are provided under two (2) levels of Medical Case Management:

- 1) Linkage to Care
- 2) Medical Retention Services

Definitions for each service are stated below:

<u>Linkage to Care (LTC)</u>: Services to link newly diagnosed individuals and those needing reengagement in HIV care must utilize the Anti-Retroviral Treatment and Access Services (ARTAS) strengths-based model. The preferred model for the ARTAS Linkage to Care service is to have dedicated medical case management staff, distinct from other medical case management staff who provide services beyond the initial ARTAS intervention. The ARTAS Linkage to Care program shall be limited to six (6) months. Individuals that require additional assistance beyond six (6) months shall be transitioned to other levels of case management as deemed appropriate based on identified client need. LTC services are intended for individuals who are:

- Newly HIV-diagnosed
- New to Orange County and have not linked to a HIV medical provider
- Returning or re-engaging to HIV care
- Recently released from incarceration
- Transitioning to another payer source and have not linked to a HIV medical provider

<u>Medical Retention Services (MRS)</u>: Medical Case Management services shall focus on ensuring medical adherence and retention in care. Individuals who are successfully engaged in care should have a plan for transitioning out of Medical Case Management services.

MRS are intended for individuals who are:

- Returning or re-engaging in HIV care
- Not adherent to HIV medication
- Medically compromised or have a viral load greater than 100,000 copies/mL
- Dealing with medical co-morbidities that impede medical care adherence

Coordination of Medical Care

Beyond simply educating the client about medical care, all case managers shall make the following efforts to support and coordinate the continuity of medical care:

- Assess Medical Care Access. Case managers shall regularly assess client's access to medical care and any barriers to care. Case managers shall make an effort to identify barriers to medical care in each case (housing instability, alcohol and drug use, mental health issues, financial factors, attitudes toward medicines, etc.).
- Monitor Medication Adherence. Case managers shall monitor client medication adherence. Client self-reports, pill counts, electronic pill bottle caps, diaries, adherence watches and other reminder systems, lab reports, etc., are used to assist with adherence. Lab reports under Medical Case Management is an integral part of understanding a client's adherence to medications and medical care. The case manager needs to be able to determine which method may be more helpful for a particular client. As needed, the case manager shall find out who has the primary responsibility for giving medication and shall provide HIV and adherence education to family members or caregivers. Case managers shall refer clients to additional treatment adherence services as needed.
 - Case managers shall communicate any adherence barriers to client medical care providers.
 - Case managers shall make an effort to identify barriers to adherence in each case (housing instability, alcohol and drug use, mental health issues, financial factors, attitudes toward medicines, etc.).

Standard	Measure
Case managers shall regularly assess client's	Documentation on ARTAS Tools,
access to medical care and any barriers to	Psychosocial/Acuity Tool, Psychosocial
care	Follow-up Tool, or progress note will ensure
Case managers shall monitor client	Documentation on ARTAS Tools,
medication adherence	Psychosocial/Acuity Tool, Psychosocial
	Follow-up Tool, or progress note will ensure

SECTION 3: STAFFING REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Quality case management starts with well-prepared and qualified staff. To ensure this, Ryan White providers must meet all of the following requirements and qualifications:

- HIV Knowledge. Staff shall have training and experience with HIV related issues and concerns. At a minimum, case managers will have completed one educational session on any of the topics listed below on an annual basis. Certificate of completion shall be included in employee files as proof of attendance. Education can include round table discussion, training, one-on-one educational session, in-service, or literature review. Topics may include:
 - HIV disease process and current medical treatments
 - Adherence to medication regimens
 - o Mental health or psychosocial issues related to HIV
 - Cultural issues related to communities affected by HIV
 - HIV legal and ethical issues
 - Human sexuality, gender, and sexual orientation issues
 - HIV prevention issues and strategies specific to HIV-positive individuals ("prevention with positives")
 - Partner Services
 - Strengths-Based approach to case management training
 - Anti-Retroviral Treatment and Access Services (ARTAS) strengths-based model
- Licensure and Training Requirements. Staff shall have the necessary State of California licenses, and/or trainings for the functions they perform.
 - Linkage to Care:
 - Staff performing Linkage to Care services shall be ARTAS trained and are not required to have healthcare licensure.
 - Medical Retention Services:
 - Staff performing Medical Retention Services shall have appropriate healthcare licensure (i.e., Registered Nurse, Licensed Vocational Nurse, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist, Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor).

- Staff that do not meet the licensure requirement may be exempted and allowed to provide Medical Retention Services with approval using the established Exemption Policy.
- Marriage and Family Therapist (AMFT) and Master of Social Work (ASW) interns may provide Medical Case Management services as long as they are earning hours toward licensure, are appropriately registered, and clinically supervised.
 - Staff shall have a current California Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS) registration in order to provide services.

Caseloads. Staff shall have caseloads set at levels that allow them to conduct their activities adequately and competently. The following outlines recommended caseloads by case management level:

- Linkage to Care (LTC): 10-15 clients
- Medical Retention Services (MRS): 25-40 clients

Caseloads may vary based on agency capacity, staffing, and total client levels.

Supervision. Programs shall provide appropriate supervision to case management staff, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Staff and clients shall have access to supervisory levels of case management.
- Supervision that is observant and attentive to possible bias in treatment of clients because of their sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, substance use, etc.
- Individual supervision and clinical guidance that is available to case managers as needed.
- Multiple methods shall be used to evaluate case manager performance including: direct observation; chart reviews; and client feedback (e.g., through surveys, focus groups, complaint and grievance processes, etc.).

Case Conferencing. Formal or informal case conferencing shall occur at minimum monthly or when important client-specific issues arise that require a team or interdisciplinary approach or solution.

Standard	Measure
Case management staff receive initial trainings within 60 days of hire and annual education regarding HIV related issues/concerns	 Training/education documentation on file including: Date, time, and location of the education Education type Name of the agency and case managers receiving education Education outline, meeting agenda and/or minutes

Standard	Measure
Case management staff receive initial	Training/education documentation on file
trainings within 60 days of hire and annual	including:
education regarding community resources	 Date, time, and location of the education
	Education type
	 Name of the agency and case managers receiving education
	Certificate of completion
Provider will ensure that staff have	Documentation of licensure or degree on
necessary licenses or degrees for the	file
functions they perform	
Staff shall have caseloads set at levels that allow them to conduct their activities adequately and competently (with assistance to include supervision and clinical guidance, formal or informal case conferencing, as well as case manager transition if needed)	Program managers shall conduct periodic assessments to see if caseload assignments allow for quality services and completion of job duties. Documentation of periodic assessments on file.
Formal or informal monthly case	Documentation of case conference on file
conference	
focused on clients-specific issues	

SECTION 4: CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC AWARENESS

Providers must participate in a process of training and education that increases cultural and linguistic competence and improves the case managers' abilities to provide culturally and linguistically appropriate services to all PLWH. Although an individual's ethnicity is generally central to their identity, it is not the only factor that makes up a person's culture. Other relevant factors include gender, gender identity, language, religious beliefs, disability, sexual orientation, beliefs, and institutions. When providing culturally and linguistically competent services, it is important to acknowledge one's personal limits and treat one's client as the expert on their culture.

Based on the Health and Human Services' National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS Standards), culturally and linguistically appropriate services and skills include:

- Effective, equitable, understandable, and respectful services that are responsive to diverse cultural health beliefs and practices, preferred languages, health literacy, and other communication needs.
- The ability to respect, relate, and respond to a client's culture in a nonjudgmental, respectful manner.
- Meeting the needs and providing services unique to our clients in line with the

culture and language of the clients being served, including providing written materials in a language accessible to all clients.

- Recognizing the significant power differential between provider and client and work toward developing a collaborative relationship.
- Considering each client as an individual, not making assumptions based on perceived memberships in any specific group or class.
- Translation and/or interpretation services to individuals who have limited English proficiency and/or other communication needs, at no cost to them, to facilitate timely access to all services.
- Ensure the competence of individuals providing language assistance, recognizing that the use of untrained individuals and/or minors as interpreters should be avoided.
- Being non-judgmental in regards to people's sexual practices.
- Create conflict and grievance resolution processes that are culturally and linguistically appropriate to identify, prevent, and resolve conflicts or complaints.

Standard	Measure
Providers will recruit a diverse staff that reflects the culture (including gender, sexual identity, and disability) of the community served	Providers have a written strategy on file
All staff (including administrative staff) will receive initial trainings within 60 days of hire and annual trainings to build cultural and linguistic awareness	 Training/education documentation on file including: Date, time, location, and provider of education Education type Name of staff receiving education Certificate of training completion or education outline, meeting agenda, and/or minutes
Provider shall have posted and written materials in appropriate languages for the clients served	Site visit will ensure
Agency complies with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) criteria	Completed form/certification on file
Services are accessible to community served	Site visit to review hours of operation, location, accessibility with public transportation

SECTION 5: CLIENT REGISTRATION

Registration is a time to gather demographic data and provide basic information about case management and other HIV services. It is also a pivotal moment for establishment of trust and

confidence in the care system. Case managers shall provide an appropriate level of information that is helpful and responsive to client need, but not overwhelming.

If a client is receiving multiple Ryan White services with the same provider, registration is only required to be conducted one time. If registration information was completed as part of another service; documentation in the client file is sufficient.

If a client has been referred by another Ryan White provider to receive services and the client has opted to share their AIDS Regional Information and Evaluation System (ARIES) data, the provider receiving the referral does not have to collect registration information. The provider shall review ARIES to ensure all registration data has been collected and is documented in ARIES. If the client is non-share in ARIES, the referring provider may provide registration information from the client. Provision of information regarding *Client Rights and Responsibilities* and *Client Grievance Process* may be conducted one-time at the referring provider agency. To document the provision of this information, the referring provider may send the provider receiving the referral a signed document indicating that they have provided this information to the client.

The case manager shall conduct the client registration with respect and compassion. The following describe components of registration:

- **Timeframe.** Registration shall take place as soon as possible, at minimum within five days of referral or initial client contact. If there is an indication that the client may be facing imminent loss of medication or is experiencing any other medical crisis, the registration process shall be expedited and appropriate interventions may take place.
- Eligibility and Qualification Determination. The service provider shall obtain the necessary information to establish the client's eligibility via the Eligibility Verification Form (EVF); See Requirements to be Eligible and Qualify for Services: http://www.ochealthinfo.com/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?BlobID=51477
- **Demographic Information.** The service provider shall obtain the appropriate and necessary demographic information to complete registration; this includes basic information about the client's HIV medical history, living situation, employment and financial status, service linkages, and emergency contact information.
- **Registration Information.** The provider shall obtain information to complete registration as required for the Ryan White Services Report (RSR). This includes, but is not limited to, information regarding demographics, and risk factors.
- **Provision of Information.** The case manager shall clearly explain what case management entails, levels of case management, and provide information to the client. The case manager shall provide adequate information about the availability of various

services or resources within the agency and in the community. The case manager shall also provide the client with information about resources, care, and treatment available in Orange County this may include the county-wide HIV Client Handbook.

- **Required Documentation.** The provider shall complete the following forms in accordance with state and local guidelines. The following forms shall be signed and dated by each client.
 - ARIES Consent: Clients shall be informed of ARIES. The ARIES consent must be signed at intake prior to entry into the ARIES database and every three (3) years thereafter. The signed consent form shall indicate (1) whether the client agrees to the use of ARIES in recording and tracking their demographic, eligibility and service information and (2) whether the client agrees to share select information contained in ARIES with other agencies in the Ryan White system of care.
 - Confidentiality and Release of Information (ROI)/Authorization to Disclose (ATD): 0 When discussing client confidentiality, it is important not to assume that the client's family or partner knows the HIV-positive status of the client. Part of the discussion about client confidentiality shall include inquiry about how the client wants to be contacted (at home, at work, by mail, by phone, etc.). If there is a need to disclose information about a client to a third party, including family members, clients shall be asked to sign a Release of Information form, authorizing such disclosure. Clients receiving Medical Case Management shall strongly be encouraged to sign a Release of Information authorizing their case manager to speak to their medical provider so that the case manager can better assist the client in coordinating care for the client. An ROI/ATD form describes the situations under which a client's information can be released and includes the name of the agency and/or person with whom information will be shared, the specific information to be shared, duration of the release consent, and the client's signature. This form may be signed at intake prior to the actual need for disclosure. The ROI/ATD may be cancelled or modified by the client at any time. For agencies and information covered by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the ROI/ATD must be a HIPAA-compliant disclosure.
 - **Consent for Services:** Signed by the client, agreeing to receive case management services.

The following forms shall be signed and dated by each client receiving case management services. For documents available in the HIV Client Handbook, completed forms may indicate that the client has received the HIV Client Handbook.

- Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP): Clients shall be informed of the provider's policy regarding privacy rights based on the provider's confidentiality policy. For agencies and information covered by HIPAA, providers shall comply with HIPAA guidelines and regulations for confidentiality.
- **Client Rights and Responsibilities:** Clients shall be informed of their rights and responsibilities (included in the HIV Client Handbook).

• **Client Grievance Process:** Clients shall be informed of the grievance process. The HCA's Grievance Process is included in the HIV Client Handbook.

Standard	Measure
Registration process initiated within five (5)	Registration documents are completed and in
business days of initial contact with client or	client service record
documentation of delay	
Registration information is obtained	Client's service record includes data required
	for Ryan White Services Report
ARIES Consent signed and completed prior to	Signed and dated based on ARIES consent
entry into ARIES	form guidelines by client and in client service
	record
ROI/ATD is discussed and completed as	Signed and dated by client and in client
needed	service record as needed
Consent for Services completed	Signed and dated by client and in client
	service record
Client is informed of Notice of Privacy	For clients receiving case management:
Practices	Signed and dated by client and in client file
Client is informed of Rights and	For clients receiving case management:
Responsibilities	Signed and dated by client and in client file
Client is informed of Grievance Procedures	For clients receiving case management:
	Signed and dated by client and in client file

SECTION 6: COMPREHENSIVE PSYCHOSOCIAL ASSESSMENT

Proper assessment of client need is fundamental to case management. A comprehensive psychosocial assessment is required for all persons receiving case management. Assessments shall be provided by staff with the appropriate level of education and experience. Assessments are conducted to determine:

- The client's need for case management services and other treatment and support services,
- Current capacity to meet those needs,
- Ability of the client's social support network to help meet client need,
- Extent to which other agencies are involved in client's care,
- Areas in which the client requires assistance in securing services.

Case management shall target individuals assessed as needing support in accessing and maintaining regular medical care. Individuals who are assessed as self-sufficient and not needing periodic follow-up may not need case management services and may receive services under Client Advocacy.

• Initial and Annual Assessment. The case manager shall conduct an in-depth assessment of the client's current and potential needs. The assessment process shall start within five days of client intake and must be completed within thirty (30) days. A strengths

assessment consisting of past accomplishments is recommended to identify clients' skills and abilities to successfully follow through with their medical care visits, support a positive, trusting relationship with case manager or accessing other services, and other goals. In addition, a comprehensive Psychosocial assessment must be completed annually thereafter. Case managers shall use the Psychosocial Assessment/Acuity Tool (see Appendix B for the Acuity Scale) to document general findings of the assessment and periodic reassessments of client need.

• **Reassessment.** Reassessments (which may be more focused and less comprehensive) shall be conducted whenever health and situational changes make it helpful and necessary to do so. Notwithstanding situational changes, reassessments shall be conducted utilizing the Psychosocial Follow-up Tool (see Appendix C).

The following *minimum* standards for reassessments have been set based upon case management type:

- Linkage to Care: Not applicable for Linkage to Care
- Medical Retention Services : Face-to-face reassessment every three months

Reassessments shall include a review of all pertinent issues. This may be accomplished by reviewing recent comprehensive assessments with the client and focusing only on areas of need. They can also, if appropriate, invite clients to use a form or checklist to self-assess their needs.

Standard	Measure
Initial psychosocial assessment/acuity tool shall be completed within thirty (30) days of intake and annually thereafter	Completed assessment, signed and dated by case manager and in client file
Reassessment conducted at intervals determined by the level of case management	Psychosocial Follow-up Tool demonstrating reassessment in client file

SECTION 7: SERVICE MANAGMENT

Once client registration and intake has been conducted, the provider may provide the appropriate range of services to the client. Service management is the system by which all levels of case management are delivered. Service management shall be consistent with the following principles:

• Service Delivery. Services shall be delivered in a manner that promotes continuity of care. Newly diagnosed clients shall be assessed for barriers that prevent linkage to medical care. To address these barriers, as recommended by the strengths-based case management model, skills and abilities shall be identified to assist clients to successfully access medical care and maintain a positive relationship with the care coordinator.

- Providers shall refer clients to other providers if they cannot provide a level of service that is medically, culturally, linguistically, or otherwise appropriate for the needs of the clients.
- Ideally, clients should see the same case manager over time, as this is a desirable arrangement that helps develop trust. However, the program may consider changing client-case manager assignments if a client expresses their wish to do so.
- **Confidentiality.** Provider agencies shall have a policy regarding informing clients of privacy rights, including use of Notice of Privacy Practices. For agencies and information covered by HIPAA, providers shall comply with HIPAA guidelines and regulations for confidentiality.
- **Service Planning.** Where service provision options are substantially equivalent, the least costly alternative shall be used in meeting the needs of clients.
 - Services shall be planned, managed, and monitored to avoid the need for urgent or emergency services, the interruption of services, and need for emergency or unplanned appropriations of funding to continue services during contract periods.
- **Documentation and Data Collection**. Program and administrative staff shall provide adequate data collection in a timely manner and documentation of all services provided for accounting, reporting compliance, and evaluation purposes. Program data shall be entered into ARIES within five (5) business days as specified in the contract or scope of work. Providers shall document and keep accurate records of units of services for use in reporting units of service for reimbursement and community planning. Providers shall gather and document data (e.g. demographic and risk factor information) for the Ryan White Services Report.
- **Compliance with Standards and Laws**. Service directors and managers shall ensure compliance with all relevant laws, regulations, policies, procedures, and other requirements designed to enforce service standards and quality. Services shall be consistent with standards set forth in this document.

Standard	Measure
Provider shall have procedure to address walk-	Written procedure in place
ins, telephone triage, and emergencies and after-	
hour care	
Provider shall have procedure for making	Written procedure in place
referrals to offsite services	
Staff shall be aware of HIPAA and Notice of	Documentation of HIPAA and Notice of
Privacy Practices regulations via training upon	Privacy Practices education or training
employment and annually thereafter	on file

Standard	Measure
Provider shall ensure client information is in a	Site visit will ensure
secured location	
Provider shall screen clients to ensure the least	Written procedure in place
costly case management service is used as	 Documentation of client screening
appropriate to client needs; screening shall occur	and determination on file
at minimum when client is accessing a new	Site visit will ensure
service and periodically as the client's needs	
change	
Provider shall regularly review client charts to	Written procedure in place
ensure proper documentation including progress	
notes	
Providers shall document and keep accurate	Site visit and/or audit will ensure
records of units of services	
Required client data and services shall be entered	Required data fields will be validated by
in ARIES	the Ryan White Services Report
Service directors and managers shall ensure	Site visit and/or audit will ensure
compliance with all relevant laws, regulations,	
policies, procedures, and other requirements	
designed to enforce service standards and quality	
Provider shall have a procedure to ensure	Written procedure in place
continuity of care to address changes in case	
managers, level of case management, and/or	
service providers	

SECTION 8: INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PLAN (ISP)

Once client needs have been assessed, case managers together with clients shall prioritize care, support needs, and identify activities to address them. This process is documented on the Individual Service Plan (see Appendix D). Individuals enrolled in Linkage to Care are not required to have a completed ISP if utilizing the ARTAS Session Plan tool to document service plan goals. The plan provides a map for both the client and case manager on how to address needs in a manner that promotes self-sufficiency of the client. The ISP shall be completed within thirty (30) days of intake and revised as necessary, but not less than every six (6) months. Discernment is required on the part of case managers to provide enough support to assist clients in meeting needs, while fostering client ability and responsibility for self-care. Often this requires an approach that is heavier in initial support, which includes a transition over time to increased client responsibility. Good communication regarding roles and expectations is essential from the beginning of the client-case manager relationship because it is necessary to respectfully and successfully navigate the process of establishing and modifying the ISP. The ISP must be developed in collaboration with the client, taking into account his/her priorities and perception of needs. The ISP should drive the referrals, communication, and services with client. Implementation, monitoring, and follow up involve ongoing contact and interventions

with (or on behalf of) the client to achieve the goals detailed on the ISP, evaluate whether services are consistent with the ISP and determine any changes in the client's status that require updates to the ISP. These activities ensure that referrals are completed and services are obtained in a timely, coordinated fashion. In implementing the ISP, case managers are responsible for the following:

- **Client Education.** Based on the client's assessed needs and goals stated in their ISP, case managers shall provide clients with information and education about basic health care, prevention, available resources, and the application process for available resources.
- Referrals/Linkages/Coordination of Care. Case managers shall make appropriate and complete referrals to medical and support services offered within the agency or in the community. Case managers shall build strong relationships with health care providers and have a referral network they are comfortable with referring their clients to. After the referral, the case manager shall make contacts with the client and/or the agency to which he or she was referred to make sure linkages were established. This must be done even when the client has been the one to initiate the referral. To ensure that appropriate and complete referrals are made, the following are required:
 - \circ $\;$ Information about resources shall be readily and continually available to all clients.
 - As appropriate, case managers shall facilitate referrals by obtaining releases of information to permit provision of information about the client's needs and other important information to the service provider.
 - Case managers are encouraged to help clients access services on their own (advocacy). Advocacy is a form of empowerment and may help the client to take control of his or her own care. However, case managers must first assess the client's ability to do so, and shall actively facilitate referrals when the likelihood is high that a client will be unable to follow through on his or her own. Examples of these situations include: minimal English language ability; impairment in cognitive functioning, developmental delays, lack of client understanding of, or experience with, the system to be able to negotiate access to care; an unstable living situation; fragile health; drug, alcohol or substance use that interferes with the client's ability to follow through; emotional burden from a new diagnosis; mental health issues; cultural or other reasons that cause the client to be apprehensive about approaching a service providers. In such cases, case managers must take an active role in making and following up on the referral.
 - It is important that the client is satisfied with the referral since they will be more likely to attend the appointment. If the client shows a sense of resignation or lack of motivation, he or she is not likely to seek needed care and services. In such cases, the case manager shall take an active role in making the referral, and an assessment shall be done to determine the basis for the client's behavior. In particular the need for a medical evaluation and/or mental health assessment may be in order.
 - Whenever appropriate, case managers shall assure ongoing coordination of services between providers of care for the client. Case managers shall follow up with clients

and providers of services to make sure clients are staying in care, making progress toward their individual service plans, and to see if there are changes in the their living situation or if there are any problems that need to be addressed. This may be done on a one-on-one basis or through case conferencing.

- Follow-Up and Monitoring. Case management is to be an ongoing "management" process, not simply initial or occasional assessments and referrals. Individuals who are self-sufficient and do not need periodic follow-up may not need case management services. Case management shall target individuals needing support in accessing and maintaining regular care. Follow-up contact by case managers shall be appropriate to the needs of the client rather than at predetermined intervals (e.g., once every one, three, or six months). To that end:
 - Case managers shall respond in a timely and appropriate manner to client requests for assistance and to client needs identified by other providers. In general, case managers are expected to respond to clients and provider within one working day.
 - Even when a case manager has not become aware of any care-related problems or situational issues, he or she shall contact the client periodically in case the client has hesitated contacting the case manager about his or her needs or issues regarding services. Such contacts can serve as opportunities for reassessment of the client's needs and living situation. Frequency of these contacts shall be determined by the case manager's assessment of the client's situation.
 - For newly diagnosed clients, case managers may want to meet more frequently during the initial intake process to link clients into care within ninety (90) days.
 - The following table is provided as a guide for the minimum frequency of assessments and contacts (see Appendix E for Client Flow Chart):

Level of Case Management	Minimum Face-to- Face Reassessment Frequency	Minimum Contact Frequency
Linkage to Care	Not Applicable	1 month
Medical Retention	3 months	1 month
Services		

- These follow-up contacts need not all be face-to-face; telephone contacts would be adequate. However, periodic face-to-face contact is highly desirable, as it provides the chance for development of relationship and trust between the client and the case manager. Case managers shall acknowledge clients' successes and appreciate their commitment as progress is made throughout the individual service plan. With positive feedback, clients will be confident and empowered in committing to their service plans.
- To foster self-sufficiency, clients shall be encouraged to initiate contact with the case manager when changes occur in their health condition, living situation or support systems.

Standard	Measure
ISPs or ARTAS Session Plan (for LTC clients)	Completed ISP/ARTAS Session Plan, signed
must be finalized within thirty (30) days of	and dated by case manager, and in client file
the completion of client intake	
Review and revise ISP as necessary, but not	Documentation of updated ISP in client file
less than once every six (6) months	

SECTION 9: CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CLOSURE

Case management is considered a critical component in assuring access to medical care and other critical services. Discharge from case management services may affect the client's ability to receive and stay compliant with medical care. Client Records will be closed when there is no longer a need for the service. As such, discharge from case management must be carefully considered and reasonable steps must be taken to assure clients who need assistance in accessing care are maintained in case management programs.

A client may be discharged from case management services due to the following conditions:

- [°] The client has become ineligible for services (e.g., due to relocation outside Orange County or other eligibility requirements).
- The client no longer demonstrates need for case management due to their own ability to effectively advocate for their needs.
- ° The client chooses to terminate services.
- ° The client's needs would be better served by another agency.
- The client is being discharged from the correctional facility at which they are receiving jail case management services.
- The client repeatedly shows behavior that violates the agency's policies on client rights and responsibilities.
- ^o The client cannot be located after documented multiple and extensive attempts for a period no less than three (3) months.
- The client has died.

The following describe components of discharge planning:

• Efforts to Find Client. The provider shall periodically query data systems to identify clients who appear to be lost to follow-up. It is recommended, but not mandatory, that at least three (3) attempts to contact the client are made over a period of three (3) months. Efforts shall be made to locate and contact a client who has not shown up for appointments or responded to provider's phone calls. These efforts shall include contacting last known medical provider and other providers for which releases have previously been obtained. Clients who cannot be located after extensive attempts may be referred to available outreach services so that they may be linked back into the care

system. Emergency contacts may be used to reach a client and may be done based on agency policy.

- Closure Due to Unacceptable Behavior. If closure is due to behavior that violates client rights and responsibilities including excessive missed appointments, the provider shall notify the client that his/her services are being terminated and the reason for termination. Within the limits of client's authorization to receive mail, notification of closure shall be mailed to the client. A copy of the notification shall be placed in the client's chart. If the client has no known address or the provider is not authorized to send mail to the client, the provider shall document other types of notification of closure (e.g. phone calls, visit) or attempts to notify the client of closure. If the client does not agree with the reason for closure, he/she shall be informed of the provider's grievance procedure.
- **Case Management Service Closure Summary.** A discharge summary shall be documented in the client's record. The case management service closure summary shall include the following:
 - Circumstances and reasons for closure
 - Summary of service provided
 - Goals completed during case management
 - Diagnosis at closure
 - Referrals and linkages provided at closure
- Data Collection Closeout. The provider shall close out the client in the data collection system (ARIES) as soon as possible, but no later than thirty (30) days of service closure unless the client is receiving other services at the agency. A progress note should clearly indicate why the client was not closed out of ARIES.
- **Transfer.** A client may be closed if his/her needs would be better served by another agency. If the client is transferring to another case management provider, case management service closure shall be preceded by a transition plan. To ensure a smooth transition, relevant documents shall be forwarded to the new service provider with authorization from client. Case Management providers from the two agencies shall work together to provide a smooth transition for the client and ensure that all critical services are maintained. Clients may be anxious to attend the first appointment with the new provider. Introducing the new case manager or staff with whom they will be working with may assist in the transfer process.

Standard	Measure
Follow up will be provided to clients who have dropped out of case management without notice	Signed and dated note to document attempt to contact in client service record
Notify client regarding closure if due to repeatedly showing behavior that violates the agency's policies on client rights and responsibilities.	Copy of notification in client service record If client has no known address or is unable to receive mail, documentation of other types of notification or attempt at notification in client service record
A case management service closure summary shall be completed for each client who has terminated case management	 Client service record will include signed and dated case management service closure summary to include: Circumstances and reasons for closure Summary of service provided Goals completed during case management Referrals and linkages provided at closure
Closeout of data collection shall be completed for each client who has been closed from all Ryan White services at that provider agency	Data collection system (ARIES) will indicate client's closure no later than thirty (30) days of service closure
A client may be closed due to transfer if the client's needs would be better served by another agency	 Client service record will include signed and dated case management progress note or other documentation that the client was closed due to a transfer and shall include: authorization from client transition plan documentation that relevant documents have been forwarded to the new service provider

SECTION 10: QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Providers shall have at least one member on the Health Care Agency's Quality Management (QM) Committee. The QM Committee will oversee quality management activities for all providers under Ryan White Part A. Providers may continue to have their own QM committee if they desire and/or are required to do so under other funding streams. The intent of a centralized QM committee with representation from all providers is to ensure information between agencies is consistent, quality initiatives are undertaken by the entire Ryan White system, and service delivery issues can be addressed system wide.

As providers participate in the centralized QM committee, the intent is for all providers to actively participate in and provide feedback on the following items:

- Providers shall participate in community-wide Quality Improvement initiatives as developed by the QM committee.
- Providers will implement strategies that may lead to improvements in health outcomes as outlined in annual Performance Outcome Goals.
- Providers will implement quality assurance strategies that improve the delivery of services.

Each case management provider is responsible for Quality Assurance (QA) activities. QA activities shall include, at minimum, the following:

- Supervisors shall conduct record reviews of all staff utilizing the Ryan White Site Visit Tool at minimum quarterly. The number of records shall be three (3) to five (5), but can be more than five (5) based on findings.
- Providers shall conduct peer reviews utilizing the Ryan White Site Visit Tool at minimum quarterly. Each peer shall review two (2) to three (3) records. Providers that have five (5) or more case managers in a case management tier shall review two (2) records per peer. Providers who have less than five (5) case managers per tier shall review three (3) files per peer.
- All providers shall conduct case conferencing. Case conferencing may include clinical supervision activities, supervisory meetings, team lead meetings, or coordination meetings. Providers shall document their process for case conferencing.

Standard	Measure
Providers shall participate in annual quality initiatives	Documentation of efforts to participate in quality initiatives
Providers shall participate as a member of the Quality Management Committee	Quality Management Committee membership
Supervisor and peer chart reviews shall be conducted at minimum quarterly	Completed site visit tools for client records reviewed
Providers shall conduct case conferencing	Documented policy and procedure for case conferencing and notes, highlights, and/or sign- in sheets of case conferences

The terms defined in the appendix are general terms used throughout all of the standards of care and may not appear in the each individual standard.

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA): The ADA is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas open to the general public. The purpose of the law is to make sure that people with disabilities have the same rights and opportunities as the general public.

ARIES: The AIDS Research Information and Evaluation System (ARIES) is a centralized HIV/AIDS client management system that allows for coordination of client services among medical care, treatment and support providers and provides comprehensive data for program reporting and monitoring. ARIES is used by Ryan White-funded service providers to automate, plan, manage, and report on client data.

Authorization to Disclose (ATD): Signed consent by client that wants to grant another individual or organization access to their protected health information (PHI).

Benefits Counseling (BC): The provision of specific assistance applying for benefits (i.e., Social Security, State Disability, Medicare, etc.).

Client: Individual receiving services.

Client Advocacy (CA): The provision of information and referrals to services for clients who are not receiving Linkage to Care, Medical Retention Services, or Client Support Services. Client Advocacy clients do not require regular follow-up for eligibility screening, psychosocial assessments, or client service plans. They also do not require registration in ARIES unless a referral is being made on the client's behalf.

Client Support Services (CSS): The provision of services to a client who is HIV medically stable but requires assistance to access support services like housing, food services, legal services, etc.

Eligibility for a service: Is based on Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) and/or Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) requirements. It includes that a person must have proof of HIV status, proof of Orange County residency, and proof of payer of last resort. Eligibility workers are responsible for verifying this information.

Eligibility Screening (ES): The provision of eligibility screening for Ryan White programs which includes proof of diagnosis, proof of Orange County residency, income verification, and verification or referral to healthcare insurance options based on established criteria. This service also provides screening for and assistance with completing the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) and the Office of AIDS CARE Health Insurance Premium Program (CARE-HIPP) documents.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA): Is the US federal legislation that provides data privacy and security provisions for safeguarding medical information. Additional information can be found: <u>https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/index.html</u>

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA): HRSA is an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, responsible for improving health care to

people who are geographically isolated, economically or medically vulnerable including people living with HIV.

Intake: The process of acquiring information to begin services such as need screening, medical history, and other information that is needed to provide the appropriate level of service and is specific to each provider.

Linkage to Care (LTC): The provision of services to link clients to HIV medical care.

Medical Case Management: The overarching service category that includes services to ensure linkage and retention in medical care. Services under Medical Case Management include Linkage to Care (LTC) and Medical Retention Services (MRS).

Medical Retention Services (MRS): The provision of services to help clients address HIV medical issues and stay engaged in HIV medical care.

Notice of Privacy Practice (NPP): A notice to clients that provides a clear, user friendly explanation of client's rights with respect to their personal health information and the privacy practices of health plans and health care providers as required by HIPAA.

Non-Medical Case Management: The overarching service category that includes supportive services to ensure retention in medical care. Services under Non-Medical Case Management include Client Support Services (CSS), Client Advocacy (CA), Benefits Counseling (BC), and Eligibility Screening (ES).

Protected health information (PHI): Under US law, any information about health status, provision of health care, or payment for health care that is created or collected by a covered entity such as a health plans, health care clearinghouses, and health care providers as defined by HIPAA rules that can be linked to a specific individual.

Provider: An institution or entity that receives funding to provide Ryan White services. This includes a group of practitioners, clinic, or other institution that provide Ryan White services and the agency at which services are provided.

Qualifying for a service: Based on HRSA and/or HOPWA eligibility and Planning Council determined requirements (for example, proof of disability for Food Bank, income less than 300% of Federal Poverty Level for Mental Health Services), providers are responsible for ensuring that services provided adhere to qualifying requirements.

Registration: The process of acquiring documentation such as ARIES consent form, Confidentiality and Release of Information, Consent for Services, Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP), Client Grievance Process, and Client Rights and Responsibilities required to provide services.

Release of Information (ROI): Signed consent by client that wants to grant another individual or organization access to their protected health information (PHI).

Ryan White Act: Federal legislation first authorized in 1990 that created Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program which provides a comprehensive system of care that includes primary medical care and essential support services for people living with HIV who are uninsured or underinsured.

Service Management: The provider specific system by which all levels of case management services are delivered. The structure includes how clients are transitioned, service delivery, confidentiality is maintained, service planning, data collection, and how providers should comply with standards and/or appropriate laws.

Staff: An individual who directly provides Ryan White services, oversees the provision of Ryan White services, or perform administrative functions for Ryan White services. This may include paid employees, subcontractors, volunteers, or interns.

Appendix B. Ryan White	Psychosocial Assessment/Acuity Combined Tool		
Assessment Conducted at (Chec	k one): Office Client's Home Hospital Other:	Date:	/
Assessment/Acuity Type (Check	cone): 🗌 Initial Assessment/Acuity 📄 Annual Assessment/Acuity		
First Name	Last Name MI OR No MI	AKA	Mother's MN
Date of Birth: /	/ Age: Gender (Check one): M	F TG (M-F)	TG (F-M)
Marital Status: Married	Single Divorced Other: Sexual Ori	entation:	
Risk Factors OR		ved HIV-Infected Bloo	d/Product Unknown
N/A (Only required for initial assessment):	Partner of HIV+ Partner of IDU Partner of MSM	Other:	
	section is documented elsewhere and not completed below. Indica		
Race: White Black/Afrid	can Amer. Asian Pacific Islander/Hawaiian Native Amer.	Other:	
	Not Hispanic/Latino Unknown Decline to State Sub-eth		
Primary Language:	Requires Translation Servic		No
			Yes No
Address	City or location if homeless	Zip Code	Ok to Mail
Address	City or location if homeless	Zip Code	Ok to Mail
Address Preferred Number OR None	Yes No Yes No Yes No		
	Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Ok to Call Ok to Leave Message Ok to Text Email		Yes No Ok to Email
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Linkage to Care (Client is newly diagnosed/new to the area, Client is returning to Care, or Client is transitioning to another payer source for medical care). If applicable, check one box for each area of assessment below. \square N/A

Assessment/Acuity	HIV Medical Provider:				Phone		OR
	None at this time						
Medical Home	Zero		One		Two	Three	Total
N/A	Client is engaged in me	dical care for	Client is		Client has	Client is not engaged	
Referral Needed	longer than 12 months.		engaged in ca	re	been engaged	in medical care;	
Accepted			for more than	6	in care for less	OR	
Declined			months but le	SS	than 6 months.	Client is in and out of	
			than 12 montl	hs.		jail resulting in lack of	
						linkage to care;	
						OR	
						Client is newly	
						diagnosed.	
Notes:							
Access to Medical Care	Insurance Type: None	e 🗌 Medi-Cal	Medi-Medi	M	Iedicare 🗌 Private	(list):	
N/A	Zero	0	ne		Two	Three	Total
Referral Needed	Client has adequate	Client has i	nsurance but	С	lient is eligible for	Client has history of	
Accepted	insurance;	insurance doe	s not include	insu	rance but needs	difficulty or non-	
Declined	OR	all essential he	ealth benefits;	refe	rral for assistance	compliance completing	
	Client has HIV	C)R	to co	omplete	the application for	
	medical coverage	Client has i	nsurance but	appl	ication (Medi-Cal,	insurance;	
	through Ryan White.	needs referral	for assistance	Cove	ered CA, OA-HIPP,	OR	
		with deductib	les, co-	ADA	.P);	Client refuses	
		payments, sha	are-of-cost		OR	treatment;	
		requirements;	;	C	lient's application	OR	
		0)R	is pe	ending and	Client has had a	
		Client has r	no health	requ	ires follow-up.	change in medical	
		insurance and	requires			coverage and is at risk	
		referral to Rya	n White care.			for falling out of care in	
						the next 60 calendar	
						days.	
Notes:							

Linkage to Care (Continued)

HIV Knowledge	Zero	One	Тwo	Three	Total			
N/A	Client is able to	Client has basic	Client has limited	There is no				
Referral Needed	verbalize accurate	knowledge of HIV disease,	understanding of HIV	indicator for this				
Accepted	understanding of HIV	treatments, progression,	disease, treatments,	level.				
Declined	disease, treatments	and/or transmission but may	progression, and/or					
	disease progression,	benefit from a referral to HIV	transmission and requires					
	and/or transmission.	101.	significant education to					
			engage in HIV care.					
Notes:								
Assessment/Acuity	Zero	One	Тwo	Three	Total			
HIV Knowledge re: Access to	Client is able to	Client has basic	Client has limited	There is no				
Care	verbalize accurate	knowledge of their medical	understanding of their	indicator for this				
N/A	understanding of their	coverage and/or options for	medical coverage and/or	level.				
Referral Needed	medical coverage and/or	care but may benefit from a	options for care and					
Accepted	options for care.	referral to a benefits	requires significant					
Declined		counselor.	education to access care					
			appropriately.					
	Total Linkage to Care Score:							
For Women Only ORN/A:	Currently Pregnant:	lo 🗌 Yes: If Yes, 🗌 In prenata	al care OR Referred to p	renatal care				
Notes:								

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Retention in Medical	l Care: Check one box for ea	ch area of assessment below	w. 🗍 N/A if client is in the	process of being Linked to Care.
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	HIV Medical Provider:			Phone:		
Assessment/Acuity	Date of Last HIV Medical A	Appointment: /	/			
HIV Medical Care Adherence N/A Referral Needed	Reasons for Missed Forgot Didn't feel good Felt good Work/school No transportation Cost Appointments (check all Don't like doctor Don't like office staff Didn't like how treated at last appointment that apply) OR N/A: Alcohol/substance use Didn't feel like going Other:					
	Zero	One	Two		Three	Total
Declined	Client has no missed	Client has missed no	D Client has missed	more	Client has missed	
	HIV medical	more than one (1) HIV	than two (2) HIV med	dical	more than three (3) HIV	
	appointments in the last	medical appointment in	n appointments in last	12	medical appointments	
	6 months.	the last 6 months.	months;		in the past 12 months;	
			OR		OR	
			Client's immigrati		Client is in and out of	
			status limits access to	C	jail resulting in lack of	
			medical care.		medical care adherence.	
Notes:						
HIV Medication Adherence:		oo many pills Side effe		Forgot	No Privacy Cost	
N/A		ot feeling good Feeling		oills 🜅 O	ther:	
Referral Needed	Zero	One	Тwo		Three	Total
Accepted	Client reports 90%	Client reports 85-	Client reports		nt reports that he/she has	
Declined	U	90% adherence to HIV	missing doses of HIV	stoppe	d taking HIV meds;	
		meds and is virally	meds and is not virally		OR	
Current HIV Meds:		suppressed;	suppressed;		nt reports he/she has not	
	OR	OR	OR		I taking prescribed HIV	
	Client's doctor	Client reports	Client has begun	meds;	<u></u>	
Medication Rx:		sporadic issues with	HIV meds within the		OR	
Pills Rx Each Day	-	adherence and may	last three (3) months;		nt Mental Health or	
Days in Month		benefit from referral to			nce Use needs to be	
Total Pills		treatment adherence	Client is unable to		sed to increase HIV med	
Taken/Month		assistance;	provide medication Rx	adhere		
% Adherence		OR	details.		OR	
Calculation: Total Pills Taken		Client chooses not			nt reports taking HIV	
in a month/(Total Pills Rx		to start HIV meds with		meds f	or at least six months as	

Client ID:

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Each Day x Number of Days in	HIV doctor	prescribed but viral load is	
month)	acknowledgement.	greater than 100,000 copies/mL.	
Notes:			

Retention in Medical Care (Continued)

Assessment/Acuity					
HIV Treatment and	Zero	One	Тwo	Three	Total
Medication Knowledge	Client is able to	Client has basic	Client needs repeated	Client does not know	
N/A	verbalize accurate	knowledge of their HIV	oral instructions or	or understand health	
Referral Needed	understanding of their	disease treatments (e.g.,	assistance to understand	information or	
Accepted	HIV disease treatments	viral load, CD4, and labs)	health information or	medications.	
Declined	and medication (side	and medication but may	medications;		
	effects, purpose of	need treatment adherence	OR		
	meds).	assistance.	Client is cognitively		
			impaired.		
Notes:					
HIV Disease Progression	Viral Load ¹ (Suppressed is	under 200 copies/mL):	Date of Test: /	/ / 🗌 Unkn	own
□N/A	CD4 (Prophylaxis required	under 200 cell/mm³):	Date of Test: /	/ / 🗌 Unkn	own
Referral Needed	OI Type if Diagnosed in La	st 12 Months:	Date:	/ / OR 🗌 N/	/A
Accepted	Zero	One	Тwo	Three	Total
Declined	Client has no history	Client has had an OI in	Client has had an OI in	Client viral load is	
	of an Opportunistic	the past 12 months with	the past 12 months on TX;	greater than 100,000;	
	Infection (OI);	appropriate treatment	OR	OR	
HIV: Stage Unknown	OR	(TX);	Client has been	Client currently has	
HIV: Asymptomatic	No HIV-related	OR	hospitalized due to HIV in	an OI and not currently	
HIV: Symptomatic	hospitalization in the	Client has a CD4 count	past 6 months.	on TX;	
CDC-Defined AIDS	last 12 months.	less than 200 cell/mm ³ but		OR	
Date:		has started prophylaxis.		Client has been	
Other:				hospitalized due to HIV	
				in past 3 months.	
Notes:					

¹HRSA Viral Load suppression definition is used for consistency.

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Retention in Medical Care (Continued)

Assessment/Acuity						
Disease Co-Morbidities	Proble	ms with Too m	any pills Side effects	Alcohol/drug use	🗌 Forgot 🗌 No Privacy 🔲 (Cost
N/A	Meds O	R N/A: Not fe	eling good 🗌 Feeling g	ood CLost/misplaced	pills Other:	
Referral Needed		Zero	One	Two	Three	Total
Accepted	Client	has no reported co-	Client has	Client has	Client has multiple	
Declined	morbiditi	es;	reported difficulties	reported an	unmanaged co-	
		OR	managing co-	unmanaged co-	morbidities impacting	
	Client	has reported	morbidities.	morbidity.	health;	
	managed	co-morbidities.			OR	
					Client has	
					progressive co-	
					morbidities that require	
					monitoring.	
Notes:						
Medication List (Check all that apply):						
Antibiotics			ctive Pulmonary Disease	<u>Other</u>		
Amoxicillin (generic for Amoxil)		Fluticasone (generic			(generic for Zyloprim)	
Amoxicillin/Potassium Clavulanate ER (ger	neric for	Montelukast (generi	c for Singulair)		prine (generic for Flexeril)	
Augmentin XR) Azithromycin (generic for Zithromax)		Other:			(generic for Lasix)	
Other:		Cholesterol			ne (generic of Synthroid)	
Anti-inflammatories		Atorvastatin Calcium	n(generic of Lipitor)		e (generic of Prilosec)	
Meloxicam (generic for Mobic) Methylpre	dnisolone	Crestor		Pantoprazol	e (generic for Protonix)	
(generic for Medrol)		Fenofibrate (generic	-		Chloride (generic for Klor-Con)	
Prednisone (generic for Deltasone)		Pravastatin (generic for Pravachol)			Tamsulosin (generic for Flomax)	
Other:		Simvastatin (generic	for Zocor)		eneric for Coumadin)	
Anti-hypertensives/Heart Medications Amlodipine (generic for Norvasc)		Diabetes		Other: Psychotropic		
Atenolol (generic for Tenormin)	Metformin (generic for Gluco		for Glucophage)		(generic for Xanax)	
Carvedilol (generic for Coreg)		Other:		= .	ne/Dextroamphetamine (generio	c for
Clopidogrel (generic for Plavix)		Depression		Adderall)		
Hydrochlorothiazide (generic for Microzide	e)	Bupropion (generic	for Wellbutrin)	Duloxetine (
Lisinopril (generic of Prinivil)		Citalopram (generic	for Celexa)		n (generic for Lexapro)	
Lisinopril/HCTZ (generic for Zestoretic)		Other:			generic for Prozac)	
Losartan (generic for Cozaar)		Opiate or Pain Medicati	<u>ons</u>	🔄 Sertraline (g	eneric for Zoloft)	

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Losartan Potassium (generic for Lopre) Metoprolol (generic for Lopre) Metoprolol ER(generic for Top Other:	ssor) Hy prol XL) Tr Ot	abapentin (generic for Neurontin) /drocodone/Acetaminophen (gene amadol (generic for Ultram) .her:			
Retention in Medical Care (Dentist:		Dharaa		• • •
Oral Health Needs	Dentist: Date of Last Dental Appoin	tmont: / /	Phone: OR Doesn'	OR None at th	is time
	Current Dental Issue (Indic				Δ
Referral Needed	Dental Issue Causing Probl		No		A
	Zero		Two	Three	Total
	Client has a dentist	Client has a dentist and	Client does not have a	Client reports having	Total
	and reports seeing	requests a referral for	dentist and has not been	an acute and urgent	
Client refuses Oral	dentist at least once in	general care.	seen in the last 12 months.	dental situation and/or	
Health Care	the last 12 months;			mouth pain.	
	OR				
	Client reports no				
	dental issues.				
Notes:					
Medical Nutrition Needs	Assistance is Needed to Ge		No Already getting assistanc		
(assessment of nutritional	Zero	One	Тwo	Three	Total
needs for improved health)	Client reports no	Client has had	Client reports on-going	Client reports severe	
	nutrition problems (e.g.,	occasional episodes of	nutritional problems;	and on-going nutritional	
Referral Needed	nausea, vomiting,	nausea, vomiting, or		problems;	
Accepted (Check	diarrhea).	diarrhea and may benefit	Client has reported or	OR	
all)		from a nutritional referral; OR	observed difficulties	Client has been	
		Client reports need for	preparing meals; OR	diagnosed with wasting syndrome.	
RW Pantry		food services assistance to	On Observed weight loss or	synuronne.	
Other Pantry		maintain health.	gain in last 6 months that		
Declined			requires a nutrition referral.		
For Women Only OR N/A:	Currently Pregnant:	No Yes: If Yes, In pre	· ·	to prenatal care	
				on in Medical Care Score:	
Notes:					

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•	arriers to Care: Complete for Linkage and Retention in Care. Check one box for each area of assessment below. The assessment below does not constitute						
diagnoses. Brief Mental Health Assessment: Complete the following based on appearance:							
		Poor Hygiene Other:					
•• ·							
Mood: Norm	al Euphoric De	pressed Irritable Anxiou	is Angry Restless Sec	date Other:			
Speech: Clear	Loud Mumbled	Slurred Rapid Slow	Incoherent Other:				
Attention: Norm	al Distracted Hy	yper Inconsistent Other					
Brief Mental Health C	uestionnaire: Inquire a	about the following in past yea	r (If Yes to any of the question	ns below, offer Mental Health referral.)			
1. Have you felt blue	e, sad, or depressed for	at least two weeks in a row?	Yes No				
2. Have you lost inte	rested in things like ho	bbies, work, or activities? 🗌 Y	es 🗌 No				
3. Have you felt wor	ried or anxious for a pe	eriod that lasted longer than a	month? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No				
4. Have you ever had	d a sudden feeling of ar	nxiousness or fear? 🗌 Yes 🔲 I	No				
5. Have you heard ve	pices or seen things oth	ners did not hear or see? 🗌 Ye	s 🔲 No				
6. Have you thought	about hurting yourself	f or other? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No					
7. Have you ever had	d a Mental Health clinic	cal diagnosis? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No (If	Yes, check below in assessmen	t section)			
8. Do you see a doct	or or talk to a counselo	or about your feelings or diagno	osis? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No				
	essment/Acuity Doctor/Counselor: Phone: OR None at this time						
Assessment/Acuity	Doctor/Counselor:		Phone:	OR None at th	is time		
Mental Health	Date of Last Appoint						
Mental Health	Date of Last Appoint Reasons for Missed A	Appointments Forgot]Didn't feel goodFelt good	d Work/school No transportation Co			
Mental Health Referral Needed Accepted	Date of Last Appoint	Appointments Forgot OR N/A: Don't like	Didn't feel good Felt good	d Work/school No transportation Co			
Mental Health	Date of Last Appoint Reasons for Missed A (check all that apply)	Appointments Forgot OR N/A: Don't like Alcohol/d	Didn't feel good Felt good staff or treatment Refuse	d Work/school No transportation Cc d to go after being referred ng Other:	ost		
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Notes: **Barriers to Care (Continued)**

Self-Reported Use of Non-Prescribed Substances: Complete for each substance and check off N/A or History and/or Current Use and Frequency

Substance	N/A	History	Current Use	Frequency
Alcohol				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Cocaine/Crack				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Heroin/Opiates				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Amphetamines (Speed, Crystal)				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Inhalants				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Hallucinogens				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Misuse of prescribed drugs (Indicate):				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Marijuana				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Tobacco				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Other (Indicate):				Daily Weekly Monthly Occasionally
Notes:				

Brief Substance Use Questionnaire: Inquire about the following in past year:

1.	Do you think you have a problem with alcohol or other drugs?	No	Refused to answer	

2.	2. Has your alcohol and/or drug use ever interfered with your daily activities? Yes No Refu	ised to answer 🛛 🗌 N/A

3. Have you ever injected drugs? Yes No Refused to answer Don't Know N/A

4. Are you currently in treatment? Yes No (If Yes, Indicate type of treatment: _____)

- 5. Are you currently in recovery? Yes No N/A
- 6. Are you willing to go to treatment? Yes No N/A

Assessment/Acuity	Program/Counse	elor: Pho	Phone:						
Substance Use/Abuse	Zero	One	Two	Three	Total				
See Notes	Client	Client reports history of substance	Client reports	Client reports substance					
Referral Needed	reports no	abuse/misuse and is currently in treatment;	current substance	abuse problem but is not					
Accepted	history of	OR	abuse or relapse	willing to seek treatment;					
Declined	substance	Client reports history of substance	problem and is	OR					
	abuse (alcohol	abuse/misuse and states he/she is in recovery	willing to seek	Client denies current					
	and/or other	with appropriate support;	assistance	substance abuse/misuse but					
	drugs).	OR		behavior or evidence of current					
		Client reports using alcohol and/or other		substance use is observed.					
		drugs intermittently but use does not interfere							
		with daily functioning.							
Treatment (Tx)	Treatment (Tx) In Tx Waiting list Refused Tx Completed Tx Pre-Treatment Process Dropped out of Tx No Active Tx								
Options (Check one)	Tx Resumed [Unknown Other:							

Notes:							
Barriers to Care (Cont	inued)						
Assessment/Acuity Zero One			Тwo		Three	Total	
Financial	Client reports	Client reports	Clier	Client currently does not have		nt has no income or source of	
See Notes	having income or	having an unstable	enough	n income to meet financ	cial financia	al support;	
Referral Needed	source of financial	income but knows h	ow obligati	ions/meet basic needs a	and	OR	
Accepted	support is able to	to request/access	require	es a referral for financial	Clier	nt needs frequent follow up to	
Declined	meet financial	financial assistance	assistar	nce.	ensure	basic needs are met.	
	obligations.	when needed.					
Notes:							
Living Situation	Lives: Homeless	Alone Friend/room	mmate 🔤 Pai	rtner Parents Rela	tives 🗌 Other	:	
Referral Needed	Client Reports Diffi	culty With: Personal h	iygiene 🗌 Pr	eparing meals Clean	ing Other:	N/A	
Accepted	Zero	One		Тwo		Three	Total
Declined	Client has	Client currently	Client is i	n transitional or	Client is ho	meless and requires housing	
	permanent	has stable housing	unstable ho	using;	assistance;	ssistance;	
	housing.	and knows how to		OR		OR	
		access rental/utility		ports potential risk of		Client has an immediate risk of eviction	
		assistance when	eviction or u	itility shut off;	or utility shut		
		needed.	_	OR		OR	
				quests assistance with		Client's current living situation presents	
			rent/utilities	s to maintain housing;		health hazard that interferes	
				OR	with HIV care	or HIV meds adherence;	
			Client cho	ooses to be homeless.		OR	
					Client is unable to live independently		
					without appropriate assistance.		
Notes:							
Support System	Person(s)/Activit	—	Family	Friend Church gro	up Support	group	
Referral Needed	Provide Most S			T		Thurse	Tatal
Accepted	Zero	One			tl	Three	Total
Declined	Client reports	Client has limited	••			There is no indicator for	
	dependable and	and may benefit fro				this level.	
	available support.	to support groups o	r activities;	ties; or activities.			
		OR	l support				
		Client has genera					
		support.	v-specific				
Notes:							
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Assessment/Acuity	Zero		One		Two		Three	Total
Linguistic Referral Needed Accepted Declined Client is monolingual: But language is not a barrier at this agency but may be for referrals.	Client reports no language barriers to care.		Client requests occasional assistance in understanding or completing forms or new information. Client requires translation or sign interpreters to complete forms or understand medical concepts/directives; OR Client is illiterate or has low literacy that interferes with ability to understand medical concepts/directives.		e I ow	There is no indicator for this level.		
Notes:								
CulturalClient reports thatReferral Neededculture is not a barrierAcceptedto accessing services.		Client reports that cultural barriers interfere with the ability to access care.			There is no indicator for this level.			
Notes:		I					ł	
Medical Transportation	Primary Type of Tra	-		Walk	Bike Other:			
Referral Needed	Assistance Needed	or Rec		s 🗌 v	an Other:			
Accepted	Zero		One		Тwo		Three	Total
Declined	Client reports self-sufficiency in getting to medical appointments.	assist assist acces	ient needs occasional tance getting to medical tance and knows how to ss assistance; OR ient requires bus passes to ad medical services.	disab ACCE	ent has physical/mental lities which require van or SS transportation services e medical care access.	to t ir a	Client has persistent ssues/problems utilizing ransportation services mpacting medical care dherence.	
						10	tal Barriers to Care Score:	
Notes:								

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Other Risks and Issues

Assessment	isment						
Sexual Risk Behaviors	Scale of Least to Highest (1-10), Importance of Protecting Oneself from STDs/STIs:					
Declined to have	Scale of Least to Highest (1-10), Importance of Reducing Risk of Transmitting HIV to Others:					
conversation	Things Currently Done to Protect Oneself from	Reduce number of partners Don't have sex with strangers Have sex with steady partner Abstain					
regarding sexual risk	STDs:	Use condoms or other barriers Ask partners about their STDs/HIV status Other:					
behaviors	Things Currently Done	Have types of sex less likely to transmit HIV Tell Partner HIV status Abstain Take HIV medications					
See Notes	to Protect Partners from Getting HIV:	Only have sex with other HIV+ individuals Use condoms or other barriers Other:					
Referral Needed	Number of Sex Partners in	Last Three (3) Months:					
	Sex Partners: Men	Women TG (M-F) TG (F-M) Sex workers Other: N/A					
	In Past Three (3) Months,	Has Had Sex For: Money Alcohol/drugs Basic needs Housing Other:					
	Condom Use: Always Often Sometimes Never Only when not with primary partner						
	How Often do you Know HIV Status of Partners: Always Often Sometimes Never N/A						
Reasons for Unprotected Sex: Alcohol/drug use No condoms available Partner refused Other:							
	Reports Knowing How to Use Condom Correctly: Yes No Not Sure						
	Reports Ability to Negotiate Safer Sex Activities with Partner(s): Yes No Not Sure						
	STDs Diagnosed or an Out	break in Last 12 Months: Syphilis Gonorrhea Chlamydia Herpes Other: N/A					
Notes:							
Partner Services (PS)	Reports Comfort Disclosir	g HIV-Status to Partners: Yes No N/A					
Referral Needed	•						
Accepted Declined	Reports Needing Help Dis	closing HIV-Status to Partners (Sex and/or Needle Sharing): Yes No N/A					
	Discussed Partner Servi	ces Helped With Disclosure (2 nd Party) Referred for Partner Services (2 nd or 3 rd Party)					
Notes:							
Domestic Violence N/A Referral Needed Accepted	Always Often Client Needs/Requests:	rent/Friend/Roommate Makes Them Feel Afraid/Unsafe: Sometimes Never N/A					
Declined	Help with getting restra	aining order Help with filing charges Help with a moving out of current home N/A					

Client ID:

Notes:								
Other Risks and Issues	Other Risks and Issues (Continued)							
Legal Issues	Current Legal Issues (C	heck all that apply): On probation On parole Recently released N/A						
Referral Needed	Pending Legal Issue	Yes No (Indicate Issue if Yes):						
Accepted	Client Needs/Reques							
Declined	Following OR N	A: Help with discrimination case/issue Other:						
Notes:								
Immigration Status		US Citizen Lawful US Resident (Indicate Type):						
Referral Needed	Immigration Status:	Undocumented Other (i.e., asylum, protected status, etc.):						
Declined	Immigration Issue/Co	ncern: Yes No (Indicate Issue if Yes):						
Notes:								
Case Summary Notes:								

Medical Case Management (Linkage to Care or Medical Retention Services)

Linkage to Care (LTC) services are intended for individuals who are:

- Newly diagnosed;
- New to Orange County and have not linked to a HIV medical provider;
- Returning to HIV care; and/or
- Transitioning to another payer source and have not linked to a HIV medical provider.

Medical Retention Services (MRS) are intended for individuals who are:

- Not HIV medication adherent;
- Medically compromised or have a viral load greater than 100,000 copies/mL; and/or
- Dealing with medical co-morbidities, mental health, or substance use that impede medical care adherence.

MRS must be provided by medically credentialed or other healthcare staff who are part of a clinical team.

	Score	Conditions					
Linkage to Care							
Minimum contact once a month unless documentation indicates less contact needed.		Linkage to Care clients will receive up to six (6) months LTC services, regardless of acuity score.					
		Case Manager can refer to a different level of case management at any time.					
Medical Retention Services (MRS)							
Minimum psychosocial every three (3) months. A score of 10 and above in Retention in Care section (first five assessment sections HIV Med Adherence to							
Minimum contact once a month.Disease Co-Morbidities only) requires MRS.							
Individual Service Plan (ISP) every six (6) months.		Case Manager can refer to a different level of case management based on client needs/progress at any time.					
Barriers to Care							
Client should be referred to service(s) that can potentially address barrier(s). Follow up should be conducted at minimum two (2) weeks from referral to confirm linkage to service							
(s). A face-to-face assessment should be conducted three	(3) month	ns from the date of referral to assess status. During assessments, if the services needed do not directly impact					
medical care, a referral to Non-Medical Case Managemen	t (Client S	upport) may be appropriate.					

OR

Non-Medical Case Management (Client Support or Client Advocacy)

Client Support Services are intended for individuals who are medically stable but require psychosocial support to ensure medical care adherence (e.g., housing, substance use, and food instability). Client Advocacy is available to answer basic questions and provide referrals to services for individuals who do not need on-going case management. Non-Medical Case Management may be provided by non-medically credentialed and unlicensed trained professionals.

Client Support

Service	Score	Conditions					
Minimum psychosocial every six (6) months.		A score of 14 and above in Barriers to Care requires Client Support.					
Minimum contact every three (3) months.							
ISP every six (6) months.		Scores below 14 should be referred to Client Advocacy.					
Client Advocacy							
No minimum psychosocial assessment.		Service is provided on an as needed basis.					
No minimum contact.							

Override Rationale:

Referrals (Check all referrals made)								
Benefits Counseling Dental EFA for Medications Eligibility Food Services Health Insurance Premium Assistance HIV Ed.								
Housing Legal Mental Health Partner Service Prevention Services Psychiatry Registered Dietitian								
Substance Use/Abuse Services Support Group	ansportation TX Adherence Other:							
CM Name and Licensure (Print)	Signature	Date						
CM Name and Licensure (Print)	Signature	Date						
Clinical Supervisor Signature, If required	Date							
Next Psychosocial/Acuity: / / Next ISP:	/ / Next Eligibility: / /	Full OR Self-Attestation						

Appendix C Continued: Follow-Up Psychosocial Assessment

Assessment Conducted at (Check	cone): Office	Client's Home	Hospital	Other:	Date:	/ /			
First Name	L	ast Name	MI OR	No MI	AKA	Mother's MN			
Date of Birth: / / / Marital Status: Married	/ Age:		er (Check one):	M F Sexual Orie		6 (F-M)			
Information in "double line"	section is documented	elsewhere and not o	completed belo	ow. Indicate	Location:				
Race: White Black/African Amer. Asian Pacific Islander/Hawaiian Native Amer. Other:									
Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino	Not Hispanic/Latino	Unknown	ecline to State						
Primary Language:		I	Requires Trans	lation Services	: Yes N	No			
						Yes No			
Address		City or location if	homeless		Zip Code	Ok to Mail			
	Yes No	Yes No	Yes	No		Yes No			
Preferred Number OR 🗌 None	Ok to Call	Ok to Leave Messag	ge Ok to To	ext Email		Ok to Email			
Monthly Income (Reported or Ba	sed on ARIES-Eligibility):		Federal Pov	erty Level Percentage:				
Income Type (Check all that apply	y): Employment	Unemployment 🔲 D	isability 🗌 Re	tirement 🔲 G	en. Assist/TANF 🗌 Otł	ner:			
Disability : None Type (Lis	t):	Perm	anent OR 🗌 T	emporary	Expiration:	/ /			
Emergency Contact					Languaga of				
HIV Aware					Language of Emergency				
HIV Unaware		Ph	ione:		Contact:				
Employment Info OR 🗌 N/A	Employment Type:		Γ	Full Time Of	R Part Time Bend	efits: Yes No			
Comment Lindian City at its	Stable/Permanent	Housing Homele	ss/Unstable	Other:					
Current Living Situation:	Temporary/Transit	ional Housing - Indic	ate Date Housi	ng Ends:		/ /			
Education Completed: Elemer	ntary/Primary 🏼 Jr. Hi	gh 🗌 High School/G	ED Trade/\	/ocational	College Other:				

Core Medical Issues

Access to HIV Medical Care: Describe any pertinent information regarding insurance, or provider	access to HIV Medical C	are, including chan	ge in employment, health
			Referral Needed
Access to Other Medical Care: Describe any pertinent information regardine Health, etc.	ng access to other Medic	al Care, for example	e, Mental Health, Oral
			Referral Needed
Medical Condition : Describe any pertinent information regarding medical adherence, etc.	condition, including viral	l load/CD4, co-morl	bidities, medication
Viral Load ¹ (Suppressed is under 200 copies/mL): CD4 (Prophylaxis required under 200 cell/mm ³):	Date of Test: Date of Test:		Unknown Unknown Referral Needed Accepted Declined
Mental Health Status: Describe any pertinent information regarding ment	al health status		
			Referral Needed
Substance Use Activities: Describe any pertinent information regarding su	ubstance use activities		
			Referral Needed
Risk Behaviors: Describe any pertinent information regarding risk behavio	rs		
			Referral Needed Accepted Declined

¹HRSA Viral Load suppression definition is used for consistency.

Psychosocial Issues	
Financial: Describe any pertinent information regarding financial situation that may impact health	
	Referral Needed
	Accepted
	Declined
Housing: Describe any pertinent information regarding housing/living situation	
Tousing . Describe any pertinent mornation regularing housing/ining struction	Referral Needed
	Decimed
Support System: Describe any pertinent information regarding support system	
	Referral Needed
	Accepted
	Declined
Transportation: Describe any pertinent information regarding transportation needed to access medical services	
	Referral Needed
	Accepted
	Declined
Legal: Describe any pertinent information regarding legal situation or need, including immigration status	
	Referral Needed
	Accepted
	Declined
HIV Knowledge: Describe any pertinent information regarding HIV knowledge, disease treatment, or medication eff	ects
	Referral Needed
	Accepted
	Declined
Recommended Level of Case Management: LTC Medical Retention Services Client Support Client Ac	vocacy
Additional Notes or Goals:	

CM Name and Licensure (Print)					Signature					2
Clinical Supervisor Sig Next Psychosocial/Acuity:	gnature,	lf requ	uired /	Next ISP:	/	/	Next Eligibility:	/	Date	Full OR

Individual Service Plan									
Date:	ate: / / / Level of Case Management: Linkage to Care Medical Retention Services Client S								
	First Name		Last Name	МІ	OR	No MI	ΑΚΑ	Date of Birth	

The Individual Service Plan (ISP) is intended to be a living document to develop goals in collaboration with the client that will lead toward improvements along the HIV Care Continuum (Linkage to Care, Retention in HIV Care, Taking ART, and Viral Load Suppression) and ultimately client self-sufficiency. Case Managers should consider the following in working with the client. A copy of page two may be printed for the client.

- Goals should be **SMART**: Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Timely.
- ISP goals should lead toward the overall long-term goals for the client.
- Clients should have enough time to develop long-term goals, it is not expected that a long-term goal will be completed within a set timeframe.

The following are suggested questions that can help guide goal development:

- Who are the individuals in your life that can help you meet your goals?
- Who are the individuals in your life that can cause a barrier to you meeting your goals?
- How would your life look if you could meet your goals?
- How would your life look if you could not meet your goals?
- What problems or difficulties do you have right now and how do they affect your life?

Long-Term Goal 1: Indicate client's goal:	OR	Long-term goal was not developed during this session	
Indicate barriers to achieving goal:			
Notes:			

Long-Term Goal 2: Indicate client's goal	OR	Long-term goal was not developed during this session
Indicate barriers to achieving goal:		
Notes:		

Plea	Please indicate Goal Area(s) from the list below:									
	Medical Care		Mental Health		Support System		Legal Issues			
	Medication Adherence		Substance Use		Transportation		Immigration Status			
	Oral Health		Financial		Sexual Risk/Partner Services		Education/Job Training			
	Nutrition		Living Situation		Safety Issues		Other:			

Step 1 Area:	Indicate client's goal for this area:		
Indicate at least three actions to	reach this goal:		
Action	Person(s) Responsible for Helping to Achieve Goal	Target Date	Date Achieved or Modified
1.		/ /	/ /
2.		/ /	/ /
3.		/ /	/ /
Notes:		•	
Referral s Made OR N/A:			

Step 2 Area: Indic	ate client's goal for this area:								
Indicate at least three actions to reach this goal:									
	Person(s) Responsible for Helping								
Action	to Achieve Goal	Target Date	Date Achieved or Modified						
1.		/ /	/ /						
2.		/ /	/ /						
3.		/ /	/ /						
Notes:									
Referral s Made OR N/A:									

Client Name (Print) - Optional						Name	(Signatur	e) - Optional		Date		
CM Name and Licensure (Print)					Date			Clinical Su	Clinical Supervisor Signature, If appropriate			
Next	/	/	/	Next Psychosocial/ Acuity:		/	/	Next Eligibility: _	/	/	Full OR	

