Change in Reassessment Responsibility

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• All participants are muted
• Type in your questions into Web-ex
• Can revisit this training on the webinar archive
Upcoming MnCHOICES Assessment release

2018 change in reassessment responsibility
Anticipated to be in the September, 2017 release:

- Reduced the number of questions required to run eligibility
  - Assessors continue to remain responsible to ensure items pertinent to the person (such as quality items) are completed
  - These items could be completed either in the field or in a summative nature back in the office
- Some questions have had a symbol changed from * to !!
- Screening tools moved to separate domain called “screening tools”
- Added search and filter options for all activity assessment queue
**Eating**

* Challenges - What difficulties does the person have with eating? *

- [ ] Behavioral issues
- [ ] Cannot cut food
- [ ] Chewing problem
- [ ] Choking problem
- [ ] Disease/symptoms interfere with performing task
- [ ] Mouth pain
- [ ] Poor appetite
- [ ] Poor hand to mouth coordination
- [ ] Problems with taste
- [ ] Swallowing problem
- [ ] Other

**Notes:**

* Strengths - What does the person do well while eating? *

- [ ] Cooperates with caregiver
- [ ] Has a good appetite
- [ ] Independent with equipment/adaptations
- [ ] Manages own tube feeding
- [ ] No swallowing problems
- [ ] Person is motivated

**Notes:**

* Preferences - What does the person prefer when eating? *

- [ ] Bland diet
- [ ] Finger foods
- [ ] Snacks
Example: Asterisk removed (upcoming release)
Example: New symbol (current)

**Employment**

- Information about the type of work they are doing, their responsibilities or tasks

- Things valued and enjoyed about their job or working

- Concerns or wishes about their job, what they do, or how it is going, including hours and salary. Indicate how concerns will be addressed

- If looking for or wanting a new job, summarize search effort, interest area, and any preferences that were shared. Discover if job supports are needed
Example: New symbol (upcoming release)
Example: Screening tools (current)

- Psychosocial
  - About this Domain
    - (Psychosocial)
  - Behavior/Emotion/
    - Symptoms
  - Depression Screen
  - Suicide Screen
  - Alcohol/Substance
    - Abuse/Tobacco/
      - Gambling
  - Referrals & Goals
    - (Psychosocial)
- Memory & Cognition
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Example: Screening tools (upcoming release)
• The County of Financial Responsibility (CFR) is responsible for completing *reassessments* for people under the age of 65 receiving long-term services and supports

• The County of Residence (COR) is responsible for completing reassessments for people over the age of 65 receiving long-term services and supports

• For PCA and aging programs, the COR is responsible for completing assessments as well as reassessments
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• Subd. 3. Long-term care consultation team.

(b) Each lead agency shall establish and maintain a team of certified assessors qualified under subdivision 2b, paragraph (b). Each team member is responsible for providing consultation with other team members upon request. The team is responsible for providing long-term care consultation services to all persons located in the county who request the services, regardless of eligibility for Minnesota health care programs.
• As of January 1, 2018:
  • The County of Residence (COR) is responsible for completing all reassessments for people receiving long-term services and supports
  • The COR continues to be responsible for all new assessments for long-term services and supports requests
  • For PCA and aging programs, all assessments (reassessments and new assessments) are completed by the county of residence or service

• Workgroup consisting of lead agencies and DHS representatives began in February, 2015
Participating agencies - Reassessment workgroup

- Le Sueur
- Nicollet
- Washington
- Dakota
- Carver
- Ramsey
- Sherburne
- Benton
- Morrison
- Crow Wing
- St. Louis
- White Earth Nation
- Otter Tail
- Mahnomen
Must have’s

• Key parameters:
  • Clarity-define roles responsibilities and expectations
  • Standardization/Norms
  • Shift in perspective from “yours/mine” to “ours”-working partnership

• Guiding principles:
  • Communication/Discussion
  • Collaboration/Teaming
  • Transparency/Trust
Tools

• Guidance Document
  • Timeline and role clarification

• Reassessment Communication Form
  • Fosters standardized communication between lead agencies

• MnCHOICES Interagency Contact Point (MICP)
  • Clarification regarding MICP’s important role
• MnCHOICES Interagency Contact Point will play an important role
  • Review the MICP purpose, roles
  • Review and update the contact point for your agency on the MICP list
• Located on the landing page of MnCHOICES CountyLink page
Questions