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YOLO COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG AND MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

SUBJECT: Interim Services

DEFINITIONS

Interim services are provided to reduce the adverse health effects of substance abuse, promote the health of the individual, and reduce the risk of transmission of disease. Interim Services include:

- Counseling and education about human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and tuberculosis (TB), the risk of needle sharing, the risks of transmission to sexual partners and infants, and steps that can be taken to ensure that HIV and TB transmission does not occur.
- Referrals for HIV or TB treatment services, if necessary.
- Counseling pregnant women on the effects of alcohol and other drug use on the fetus and referrals for prenatal care for pregnant women.
- Referrals based on individual assessments that may include, but are not limited to: self-help recovery groups, pre-recovery and treatment support groups, sources for housing, food and legal aid, case management, children's services, medical services, and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)/Medi-Cal services.

POLICY

To ensure compliance in the delivery and documentation of substance use disorder services conducted within Yolo County; these Policies and Procedures shall apply to County staff and entities contracting with the Yolo County to provide substance use disorder services. In accordance with state and federal regulations in particular 45 CFR 96.121, 96.126 and 96.131; qualifying clients/consumers will be referred to Interim Services.

PROCEDURE

- 1) Injection drug-users must be either:
 - a) Admitted to a program no later then 14 days after making the request; or
 - b) Admitted to a program within 120 days after making the request, if interim services are provided.
- 2) Pregnant substance users: When a program is unable to admit a substance-using pregnant woman because of insufficient capacity or because the program does not provide the necessary services, referral to another program must be made and documented. Pregnant women must be referred to another program or provided with interim services no later then 48 hours after seeking treatment services. Pregnant women receiving interim services must be placed at the top of the waiting list for program admission.

The Provider Directory is posted at http://www.yolocounty.org/index.aspx?page=1866.

REFERENCES	
45 CFR 96.121, 96.126 and 96.131	
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