

**2955.0160 STANDARDS FOR USING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT PROCEDURES.**

Subpart 1. **Policy.** A treatment program that uses special assessment and treatment procedures must develop and follow a written policy and procedure that describes the:

- A. special assessment and treatment procedures to be used;
- B. purpose and rationale for using each procedure;
- C. qualifications of staff who implement the procedure and any technology needed to conduct each procedure;
- D. conditions and safeguards under which the procedure is used for a client;
- E. process by which the procedure is approved for use with a client;
- F. determination of which procedures will be voluntary and require informed consent from the client or the client's legal guardian, as appropriate;
- G. process to obtain and document informed consent under item F; and
- H. process by which the use of the procedure is documented and evaluated for effectiveness.

Subp. 1a. **Juvenile treatment program.** A treatment program serving juvenile clients may use special assessment and treatment procedures if:

- A. allowed under the Practice Guidelines for Assessment, Treatment, and Intervention with Adolescents Who Have Engaged in Sexually Abusive Behavior;
- B. the assessment is administered by an examiner under part 2955.0090, subpart 6 or 7; and
- C. any materials used as stimuli in the assessment are securely stored.

Subp. 2. **Specific standards for deception assessment.**

A. In addition to the requirements under subpart 1, the standards under this subpart apply if a deception assessment is used for an adult client.

- B. A deception assessment must be administered:
  - (1) by an examiner under part 2955.0090, subpart 6; and
  - (2) in accordance with the following documents incorporated by reference under part 2955.0025:
    - (a) the Standards and Principles of Practice; and
    - (b) the Best Practice Guidelines for the Assessment, Treatment, Risk Management, and Risk Reduction of Men Who Have Committed Sexually Abusive Behaviors.

**Subp. 3. Specific standards for sexual interest and response assessment.**

A. In addition to the requirements under subpart 1, the standards under this subpart apply if a sexual interest and response assessment is used for an adult client.

B. An assessment must be administered:

(1) by an examiner under part 2955.0090, subpart 7; and

(2) in accordance with the Best Practice Guidelines for the Assessment, Treatment, Risk Management, and Risk Reduction of Men Who Have Committed Sexually Abusive Behaviors.

C. Materials used as stimuli in the assessment must be stored securely.

**Subp. 4. Additional standard for results and interpreting data.**

A. The results obtained through an assessment under this part must be used for assessment, treatment planning, treatment monitoring, or risk assessment.

B. The results must be interpreted within the context of a comprehensive assessment and treatment process and must not be used as the only or the major source of clinical decision-making and risk assessment.

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