

245G.07 TREATMENT SERVICE.

Subdivision 1. **Treatment service.** (a) A licensed residential treatment program must offer the treatment services in clauses (1) to (5) to each client, unless clinically inappropriate and the justifying clinical rationale is documented. A nonresidential treatment program must offer all treatment services in clauses (1) to (5) and document in the individual treatment plan the specific services for which a client has an assessed need and the plan to provide the services:

(1) individual and group counseling to help the client identify and address needs related to substance use and develop strategies to avoid harmful substance use after discharge and to help the client obtain the services necessary to establish a lifestyle free of the harmful effects of substance use disorder;

(2) client education strategies to avoid inappropriate substance use and health problems related to substance use and the necessary lifestyle changes to regain and maintain health. Client education must include information on tuberculosis education on a form approved by the commissioner, the human immunodeficiency virus according to section 245A.19, other sexually transmitted diseases, drug and alcohol use during pregnancy, and hepatitis;

(3) a service to help the client integrate gains made during treatment into daily living and to reduce the client's reliance on a staff member for support;

(4) a service to address issues related to co-occurring disorders, including client education on symptoms of mental illness, the possibility of comorbidity, and the need for continued medication compliance while recovering from substance use disorder. A group must address co-occurring disorders, as needed. When treatment for mental health problems is indicated, the treatment must be integrated into the client's individual treatment plan; and

(5) treatment coordination provided one-to-one by an individual who meets the staff qualifications in section 245G.11, subdivision 7. Treatment coordination services include:

(i) assistance in coordination with significant others to help in the treatment planning process whenever possible;

(ii) assistance in coordination with and follow up for medical services as identified in the treatment plan;

(iii) facilitation of referrals to substance use disorder services as indicated by a client's medical provider, comprehensive assessment, or treatment plan;

(iv) facilitation of referrals to mental health services as identified by a client's comprehensive assessment or treatment plan;

(v) assistance with referrals to economic assistance, social services, housing resources, and prenatal care according to the client's needs;

(vi) life skills advocacy and support accessing treatment follow-up, disease management, and education services, including referral and linkages to long-term services and supports as needed; and

(vii) documentation of the provision of treatment coordination services in the client's file.

(b) A treatment service provided to a client must be provided according to the individual treatment plan and must consider cultural differences and special needs of a client.

Subd. 2. **Additional treatment service.** A license holder may provide or arrange the following additional treatment service as a part of the client's individual treatment plan:

(1) relationship counseling provided by a qualified professional to help the client identify the impact of the client's substance use disorder on others and to help the client and persons in the client's support structure identify and change behaviors that contribute to the client's substance use disorder;

(2) therapeutic recreation to allow the client to participate in recreational activities without the use of mood-altering chemicals and to plan and select leisure activities that do not involve the inappropriate use of chemicals;

(3) stress management and physical well-being to help the client reach and maintain an appropriate level of health, physical fitness, and well-being;

(4) living skills development to help the client learn basic skills necessary for independent living;

(5) employment or educational services to help the client become financially independent;

(6) socialization skills development to help the client live and interact with others in a positive and productive manner;

(7) room, board, and supervision at the treatment site to provide the client with a safe and appropriate environment to gain and practice new skills; and

(8) peer recovery support services provided one-to-one by an individual in recovery qualified according to section 245G.11, subdivision 8. Peer support services include education; advocacy; mentoring through self-disclosure of personal recovery experiences; attending recovery and other support groups with a client; accompanying the client to appointments that support recovery; assistance accessing resources to obtain housing, employment, education, and advocacy services; and nonclinical recovery support to assist the transition from treatment into the recovery community.

Subd. 3. **Counselors.** All treatment services, except peer recovery support services and treatment coordination, must be provided by an alcohol and drug counselor qualified according to section 245G.11, subdivision 5, unless the individual providing the service is specifically qualified according to the accepted credential required to provide the service. The commissioner shall maintain a current list of professionals qualified to provide treatment services.

Subd. 3a. **Use of guest speakers.** (a) The license holder may allow a guest speaker to present information to clients as part of a treatment service provided by an alcohol and drug counselor, according to the requirements of this subdivision.

(b) An alcohol and drug counselor must visually observe and listen to the presentation of information by a guest speaker the entire time the guest speaker presents information to the clients. The alcohol and drug counselor is responsible for all information the guest speaker presents to the clients.

(c) The presentation of information by a guest speaker constitutes a direct contact service, as defined in section 245C.02, subdivision 11.

(d) The license holder must provide the guest speaker with all training required for staff members. If the guest speaker provides direct contact services one day a month or less, the license holder must only provide the guest speaker with orientation training on the following subjects before the guest speaker provides direct contact services:

(1) mandatory reporting of maltreatment, as specified in sections 245A.65, 626.557, and 626.5572 and chapter 260E;

(2) applicable client confidentiality rules and regulations;

(3) ethical standards for client interactions; and

(4) emergency procedures.

Subd. 4. **Location of service provision.** The license holder may provide services at any of the license holder's licensed locations or at another suitable location including a school, government building, medical or behavioral health facility, or social service organization, upon notification and approval of the commissioner. If services are provided off site from the licensed site, the reason for the provision of services remotely must be documented. The license holder may provide additional services under subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (5), off-site if the license holder includes a policy and procedure detailing the off-site location as a part of the treatment service description and the program abuse prevention plan.

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