

# ACEs TRAINING FOR CDC/PA SUBMISSION

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# WHY ADD ACEs?

- ▶ Standardized childhood trauma information to assist with both adult client care and with informing systems about population risk factors
- ▶ The original ACE Study correlated the top 10 causes of death in the United States with risk factors pertaining to the childhood ACE Score

# WHO, WHAT & WHEN

- ▶ The ACE Questionnaire shall be given to all adults, ages 18 and older, seeking outpatient or inpatient behavioral health services from the ODMHSAS and the OHCA (SoonerCare/Medicaid).
  - ▶ The Questionnaire only has to be given once per person, per provider.
  - ▶ The ACE Questionnaire is to be given at the time of initial Clinical Assessment.
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# HOW

- ▶ It is a self-administered instrument and shall be completed by the individual seeking services without intervention from staff (ex: staff may not reframe the question or give explanation regarding the intent of the question).
- ▶ This Questionnaire will be asking you some questions about events that happened during your childhood; specifically the first 18 years of your life. The information you provide by answering these questions will allow us to better understand problems that may have occurred early in your life and allow us to explore how those problems may be impacting the challenges you are experiencing today. This can be very helpful in the success of your treatment.

# HOW

- ▶ The only assistance that staff may provide is with regard to literacy or vision challenges, and in that instance the introduction and questions must be read aloud to the individual exactly as written on the questionnaire.
  - ▶ Due to the sensitive nature of the questions, the individual completing the ACE Questionnaire should be given a confidential space in which to complete it.
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# SCORING

- ▶ For each of the ten (10) questions on the questionnaire, the individual will give a Yes or No answer. When scoring, each “Yes” answer will be given one (1) point. These points will be tallied to determine the individual's ACE Score.

## EXAMPLE

# CDC/PA REPORTING

- ▶ Beginning 6/1/2019
  - ▶ ACE score will be reported on all CDC/PA 23 (admission) and CDC/PA 42 (6 month update/extension)
  - ▶ Although the score only has to be collected once, please report the same ACE score on all subsequent CDCs. There is no need to update the score, just like the race and gender fields are rarely updated, but always reported.
- ▶ For currently open clients
  - ▶ Collect and report the ACE score on the next CDC/PA 42 (6 month update/extension)
- ▶ Provider Type Exceptions (Level of Care = CL):
  - ▶ Homeless Shelters
  - ▶ Community Living Programs (housing, ResCares)
- ▶ Program Exceptions (Service Focus 11, 23, 24, 26)
  - ▶ 11: Other (ResCare, Homeless/Housing services)
  - ▶ 23: Day School (a single child's program in Tulsa)
  - ▶ 24: Medication Clinic Only
  - ▶ 26: Mobile Crisis