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**PURPOSE**

This document provides clarification regarding the CalOMS Readiness Assessment Toolkit and introduces the Outcome Monitoring Program (OMP) Implementation Workgroup.

**DISCUSSION**

During the February 13, 2004, County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators Association of California (CADPAAC) Executive Committee meeting, CADPAAC raised concerns regarding the Readiness Assessment Toolkit. The Committee expressed concern that by providing ASI information, ADP has already decided that the ASI will be included in CalOMS despite the fact that the CalOMS Implementation Workgroup has not come to a conclusion on the issue. Therefore, ADP is providing clarification to ensure project team members and stakeholders have accurate information to work with as they address the challenges of implementing CalOMS.

**REFERENCES**

Not applicable

**BACKGROUND****Readiness Assessment Toolkit**

During November and December 2003 ADP, in conjunction with the Madsen-Rayner consulting firm, conducted an assessment of the readiness of counties and direct contract providers for implementing CalOMS. The direct contract providers and all counties submitted a completed readiness survey as part of the assessment process. The surveys were completed based on a long-term vision for outcome monitoring that



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ADP shared with counties and direct contract providers in the late Summer and Fall of 2003. The survey included a list of potential documents to be included in a toolkit and direct contract providers/counties were asked to identify the items they wanted in the Toolkit. The contents of the Toolkit were based on the results of the survey and reflect the most frequently requested items.

### **OMP Implementation Workgroup**

ADP Director, Kathryn Jett commissioned the OMP Implementation Workgroup to collaborate on issue identification and proposed resolution related to implementing CalOMS. This group is comprised of representatives of counties, providers, research and ADP. We are committed to working with the Implementation Workgroup in a collaborative fashion to best meet the needs of all involved. The Implementation Workgroup has created a Prevention sub-workgroup and a Treatment sub-workgroup. The objectives of these workgroups are to:

- identify outcomes to be measured,
- determine how each outcome will be measured,
- determine the methodology and timing for collecting the outcome data,
- identify the tool(s) or vehicle(s) that would provide the outcome data. (It is at this point that discussion will take place regarding using the ASI as a means to collect the outcomes identified in the first bullet above.)

Implementation Workgroup participants were encouraged to solicit feedback from colleagues and bring that input to the full Workgroup and the appropriate sub-workgroup.

### SUMMARY

As stated in ADP Bulletin #04-1, ADP endorses the ASI and encourages its use as an assessment tool.

ADP is committed to collaborating with the CalOMS Implementation Workgroup to determine California's outcomes, how they will be measured, what data must be collected and when, and the tool(s) that will be used to collect the outcome data.

### QUESTIONS/MAINTENANCE

Questions concerning the OMP Implementation Workgroup may be directed to Jacqueline Tinetti, Associate Governmental Program Analyst, System of Care Redesign Unit, at (916) 324-3348. Please e-mail all other questions related to this Bulletin to: [CalOMSHelp@adp.state.ca.us](mailto:CalOMSHelp@adp.state.ca.us). The Readiness Assessment Toolkit is available at <http://www.adp.ca.gov/CalOMS/Toolkit.shtml>.

### EXHIBITS

None

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