

# AAW and ACAP Restrictive Intervention Plan Indicator ODP Announcement 20-084 Update

## AUDIENCE:

Adult Autism Waiver (AAW) and Adult Community Autism Program (ACAP) Behavioral Specialists (BSs) and Supports Coordinators.

## **PURPOSE:**

To remind AAW and ACAP Behavior Specialists/Behavioral Health Specialists to answer the restrictive procedure plan indicator in the Behavioral Support Plan (BSP), and to request that all existing BSPs are checked for accuracy of the indicator question.

### BACKGROUND:

Effective with the September 2017 HCSIS 8.5 Release, the question "Is the BSP restrictive?" was added to the BSP section of the Individual Support Plan (ISP). For each Desired Behavioral Outcome (DBO), the question is asked and requires the user to select *Yes* or *No* from the corresponding dropdown list. The indicator question and response will appear on the printed or downloaded version of the plan (Print Plan). The original BSASP communication <u>BAW17-37</u> was distributed November 7, 2017.

#### **DISCUSSION**:

A restrictive intervention is defined as a practice that:

- "limits an individual's movement, activity, or function;
- interferes with an individual's ability to acquire positive reinforcement;
- results in the loss of objects or activities that an individual values;
- or requires an individual to engage in a behavior that the individual would not engage in given freedom of choice."

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BSPs that incorporate such practices, or otherwise modify an individual's rights as outlined in Chapter 6100 regulations, §6100.181 – 6100.183 (AAW) and the ACAP Agreement, Articles 2.2.I.1-3 and 2.2.J.1-9, require the development of a restrictive procedure plan that is reviewed and approved by the Human Rights Team (HRT).

Please confirm that there is appropriate documentation to demonstrate HRT approval before updating the BSP in HCSIS and answering the indicator question as "*Yes*." ODP uses restrictive plan data for monitoring and reporting of performance measures, thus it is critical that the data is accurate.

BSASP requests that all Behavioral Specialists/Behavioral Health Specialist log in to the BSP section of the ISP for their assigned participants to check the accuracy of the restrictive plan indicator. The restrictive plan indicator is located at the top the DBO page in the BSP. If the participant has multiple DBOs, the indicator must be marked for each DBO. If there are restrictions that are associated with a particular DBO, the indicator must be marked yes for that DBO.

BSASP requests that this activity is completed by 9/15/2020. To confirm that this requested activity has been completed for all participants on your caseload, please use the link below to attest to the completion and accuracy. If there are multiple behavior specialists within a provider organization, it is acceptable for there to be a single point person who enters all the information on behalf of al behavior specialists, as long as the accuracy of the indicator has been confirmed.

https://restrictiveplanindicator.guestionpro.com

Please direct any questions related to this communication to the Provider Support Mailbox <u>ra-basprovidersupprt@pa.gov</u>.

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