

Infectious Disease Screening

Policy: All West Slope Casa substance abuse programs will screen for infectious diseases in all clients except those receiving a differential assessment only.

Procedure:

1. The ADAD Infectious Disease Medical Screen (8-02) must be administered with opening paperwork to all substance abuse clients except those receiving differential assessment only.
 - a. The clinician will score the instrument at intake.
 - b. If any questions in the Response Guide are answered “yes”, the clinician must make a referral to a local medical care provider for further screening.
 - c. Programs cannot force clients to seek further care.
2. Programs must establish relationships with the Public Health Nurse, private practitioner, or low income medical clinic to provide further screening for clients who score in the “At Risk” range on the screening instruments.
3. The ADAD Infectious Disease Behavioral Screen (8-02) must be administered to every substance abuse client openend to the program, within three clinical visits.
 - a. The clinician will score the instrument after administration.
 - b. Anyone scoring in the medium- to high-risk range must be referred to a local medical care provider for further screening.
 - c. Programs cannot force clients to seek further care
4. Providers will keep track of clients (by aggregate number only) and report the number of persons at risk of TB and the number of persons at risk of HIV on the West Slope Casa quarterly report, due the 15th of the month following each quarter.
5. All results of screens are protected by 42 CFR Part 2 and cannot be disclosed without written consent unless otherwise provided for in the regulations.
 - a. Completed screens may be kept in client charts or in another area separate from the charts which is secure.
 - b. Evidence that the screens have been administered must appear in the chart.