

# West Slope Casa Standards of Care

**Policy:** The West Slope Casa Quality Improvement Committee, made up of representatives from all West Slope Casa providers, believes all clients have the right to the highest standards of care, regardless of location, ability to pay, or other barriers to treatment.

**Procedure:** The Standards of Care are a unanimous value adopted by all WSC programs and based upon current research, collective experience, and market conditions (market conditions would be competition, ADAD standards, location of treatment services, etc.) **All WSC providers agree to meet or exceed these standards in clinical practice.**

This is a fluid document and will be added to as the need arises.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Modality</u>	<u>Standard</u>
1-9-01	Intensive Outpatient	Minimum 9 hours per week for 6 weeks with mandatory aftercare*

\*The Quality Improvement Committee recommends a “step down” program with the highest level of care being 9 hours per week, a less-intensive level of care at 4 or more hours per week, and a continuing care level of care at one hour per week. Lengths of stay to be determined by clinical need except for the highest level, which requires a minimum of 6 weeks length of stay. It is recommended, but not required, that these groups be open and clients able to enter the program at any level, depending upon clinical need.