

INTAKE DECISION GUIDE BASED ON ASAM DIMENSIONS FOR A 3.1 FACILITY



Individuals who have had active substance use in six months prior to intake may be considered for admission.

ASAM DIMENSIONS	NEEDS LOWER LEVEL OF TREATMENT (OUTPATIENT) IF #2-#6 ARE ALL IN THIS COLUMN	GOOD FIT FOR OUR 3.1 PROGRAM MUST HAVE SOME ISSUES IN 2, 3 & 4. HAVE HAD TX BEFORE, AND/OR 6 BE HOMELESS	NEEDS HIGHER LEVEL OF TREATMENT IF HAS 1-3 IN THIS COLUMN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 ONLY—DETOX FIRST • 2-3 NEEDS 3.3 OR HIGHER LEVEL OF TREATMENT
1. POTENTIAL FOR WITHDRAWAL	Doesn't need detox, or at mild or moderate risk while in withdrawal.	Doesn't need detox, or at mild – moderate withdrawal risk because drug of choice is opioids or alcohol; has no other medical conditions and/or is younger	Is at risk for serious symptoms due to drug of choice (benzos the worst, alcohol second) and/or due to medical conditions or is older. (Needs detox before coming in)
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3. EMOTIONAL, COGNITIVE & BEHAVIORAL	No mental health conditions. Cognition in normal range	Has no mental health or mild to moderate mental health conditions (depression, anxiety, bipolar II, PTSD, OCD, ADHD) but is still able to get along (most of the time) with others and is able to function daily. Cognition in normal range	Suicidal, has history of multiple suicide attempts or hospitalizations. Has diagnosis of schizophrenia, schizoaffective, or Bipolar I; Has history of violence and serious trouble getting along with others. Has history of being EP'd and refusing to take meds. Not able to function every day. (Needs 3.3 or higher level of treatment) Has obvious low cognition, is unable to understand or follow instruction and has problems processing information about condition/illness (Needs 3.3 or higher level of treatment specializing in intellectual disability)
4. READINESS TO CHANGE	High	Moderate	Low
5. RELAPSE & CONTINUED USE POTENTIAL	Relapse potential is low; No prior treatment	Relapse potential is moderate; No prior treatment or has done outpatient treatment, and/or inpatient treatment before	Relapse potential is high; History of multiple high level treatment admissions
6. HOMELESSNESS	Note homeless	Homeless or lacks stable housing	Homeless or lacks stable housing