



# COUNTY OF MONTEREY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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<b>Policy Number</b>	208
<b>Policy Title</b>	ASAM Training
<b>References</b>	<p>45 C.F.R. § 160 and § 164          Title 42 United States Code, to the extent that these requirements are applicable;          42 C.F.R. to the extent that these requirements are applicable;          42 C.F.R. Part 438, Medicaid Managed Care, limited to those provisions that apply to Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs), except for the provisions listed in paragraph B of the Contract          42 C.F.R. § 438.208(b)          42 C.F.R. § 455 to the extent that these requirements are applicable;          42 C.F.R. § 438.208(b)(2)(i)-(iv), Cal. Code Regulations, title 9 § 1810.415          Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964          Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972          California Code of Regulations Title 22, Section 51341.1, Section 51341.1, Section 51490.1, Section 51008.5, Section 51341.1, California Health and Safety Code Section 1596.792(e)          Age Discrimination Act of 1975          Rehabilitation Act of 1973          Americans with Disabilities Act          Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act          Deficit Reduction Act of 2005;          Balanced Budget Act of 1997;          Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule Network Adequacy Standards (July 19, 2017), Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)          Monterey County Behavioral Health Polices          Monterey County Health Department Policies</p>
<b>Form</b>	none
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1 **Policy**  
 2 Monterey County Behavioral Health (MCBH) provides mental health and substance use disorder  
 3 (SUD) services to a diverse population, directly and through contracted providers. It is our mission  
 4 to provide regular training to MCBH and its contracting provider staff to enhance their clinical  
 5 abilities and ensure that services remain culturally sensitive and trauma informed.  
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7 **Procedure**  
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 9 The MCBH SUD Program Administrator is responsible for ensuring that required training is  
 10 provided to both county and contracting provider staff serving consumers with co-occurring and  
 11 substance use disorders. MCBH will ensure that all county staff and contracting providers who

12 serve this population receive training in providing a continuum of care modeled after the American  
13 Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria for substance use disorder treatment services.

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15 Staff will receive training related to the following principles of the ASAM Criteria:

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- 17 • Understanding and implementing assessment criteria, the six dimensions and levels of  
18 care
- 19 • Importance of meeting criteria definition of medical necessity for SUD treatment services
- 20 • Organizing assessment data and matching information to levels of client care
- 21 • Applying criteria to refer clients for placement into the appropriate level of services
- 22 • Determine continued stay and discharge/transfer decisions to ensure continuity of care
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24 The MCBH SUD Program Administrator and SUD Provider staff will be responsible for reviewing  
25 ASAM training attendance rosters and certificates of completion on a quarterly basis. Completion  
26 of trainings will also be verified during annual SUD program compliance reviews facilitated by  
27 MCBH. SUD Provider administrative staff will be notified of individuals who need to complete the  
28 required training. ASAM training will be provided by MCBH throughout the year and may include  
29 classroom instruction and/or electronic learning courses.

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