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Subject: Revised Policy

Policy 1527.00 – “Admission Criteria” is to include the following language effective July 31, 2007 through September 30, 2007:

“High Intensity services; Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT), Residential Services and High Intensity/Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) clients will have LOCUS assessment completed by 10/1/2007; all other existing consumers at their 180-day review for completion by 4/1/08.

Once every client has had an initial LOCUS completed, the tool should be utilized at each 180-day review and/or when they have a significant change in their lives that would impact Level of Care (LOC) score.”

Please ensure that the additional language for the policy is implemented or revised at your agency immediately. The original policy is being revised to include this language for the upcoming contracting period and may be found at <http://66.114.134.5/Policies/Default.asp>.

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