

# Meeting Summary



<b>Project / Initiative:</b>	FASAMS
<b>Meeting Purpose:</b>	Data Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	6/22/2021
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	10:00am - 11:00am

	Attendee	Office		Attendee	Office
x	Ronesha Jefferson	SAMH	x	Danielle Downing	Credible
x	Richard Power	SAMH		Natalie Kelly	FAME
x	Greg Nix	SAMH		Paul Bebee	FAME
	Tracey Fannon	SAMH	x	Jesse Lindsey	FEI
x	Kyle Knowles	SAMH		Andrew Barden	FEI
	Ed De Cardenas	SAMH		Rodney Pritchard	Knight Software
	Christi Anderson	SAMH		Josh Botbol	Let's Talk Counseling
	Wendy Scott	SAMH		Arthur Cooksey	Let's Talk Interactive
	Heather Allman	SAMH		Jason Lee	Let's Talk Interactive
x	Maura Comer	SAMH	x	Jennifer Ramirez	LSF
	Mike Idoni	BHCPNS		Ryan Lavender	Netsmart
x	Beau Frierson	BHCPNS		Andy Mead	Netsmart
x	Sharyn Dodrill	Carisk		Seana Zagar	Qualifacts
	Diego Wartensleben	Carisk		Matt Lightner	Streamline
x	Larry Brown	CFBHN		Katie Morrow	Streamline
	Joseph Glidden	CFBHN	x	Johnny Guimaraes	Thriving Mind (SFBHN)
x	Joanne Szocinski	CFBHN	x	Debbie Stephenson	Five Points
	Nydia Neris	CFBHN		Bryan Micu	LSF
x	Mike Lupton	CFCHS	x	Dan Field	
x	Tom Rose	CFCHS	x	Chris Jones	NWFHN (BBCBC)
x	William Garcia	CFCHS	x	Corey Chafin	SAMH, NW Region
x	Steve Lord	Circles of Care		Lori Nicolosi	
x	Nathan McPherson	OITS			
x	Mark Grant	OITS			
x	Victor Gaines	OITS			
	Wen Cao	OITS			

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## Agenda and Discussion Summary

#	Topic	Comments																								
1	Review Action Items	(Reference <a href="#">THIS</a> spreadsheet)																								
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3	Open Issues	<p><b>1. FASAMS “Unexpected Error”</b> FEI will provide an update on the work in progress to address this issue.</p> <p>Jesse opened by saying they took Amazon’s advice of making updates to the drivers which they expect to help as far as the unexpected error goes. He asked for everyone to let him know if they continue seeing these errors as they submit. In addition, they took another step to extend the retry logic so the system doesn’t try to reprocess a failed attempt too quickly. He asked for tickets to be submitted if errors come up and to copy him so that he can keep track.</p>																								

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## 2. Administrative Discharge Question

Some of Netsmart’s providers have asked questions about Administrative Discharges. Do they still exist in FASAMS and if so, what the criteria is, how it affects Treatment Episode/Services data submitted, and how they are to be handled?

Administrative discharge is still identified in Chapter 5 for DischargeReasonCode

<b>DischargeReasonCode</b>	string	<p>The code indicating the outcome of the treatment episode or discontinuance of treatment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required</li> <li>• Must be one of the following values:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1 for Successfully Completed Treatment/Services</li> <li>○ 2 for Did not Complete Treatment-Voluntary (Examples: (lost contact, left against medical advice, eloped, failed to return from leave, and individual choice)</li> <li>○ 3 for Did Not Complete Treatment-Involuntary (Examples: <b>Administrative discharge</b> (no longer eligible for services, funding source change, assessment only, agency closure)</li> <li>○ 4 for Successfully Completed--Transferred to Another Provider</li> <li>○ 5 for Incarcerated</li> <li>○ 6 for Death</li> <li>○ 8 for Transferred to State Mental Health Treatment Facility</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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Field	Value Type	Description/Validation Rules
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 9 for Client Moved Out of Service Area</li> <li>○ 10 for Client Only Received Non-Treatment Services (e.g. assessment, detox, intervention, prevention, etc.)</li> <li>○ 14 for Did Not Complete Treatment-Transferred to Another Provider (i.e. Long Term Medical Care)</li> <li>• This field is part of TEDS minimum data set for reporting DIS 10 – Reason for Discharge, Transfer or Discontinuance of Treatment Discharge.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note: Vocabulary Codes under review and may be updated by DCF policy makers.</b></p>

Rich advised Administrative discharge does still exist with a code that does not complete treatment involuntary. He added it’s still possible where you have a client that disappears without knowing what happened to said client. He doesn’t think there was ever any formal policy on this, and his understanding is that each provider has their own local policies. Rich asked if due to the nature of an administrative discharge that there is no client available, do the rules need to be relaxed? Steve answered yes as they have administrative discharges frequently. He then asked if when it comes to his performance outcomes, he sees it a value code 3, is this different than how successful treatment is calculated vs. how it was done in the past? Rich said the code numbers may differ, but the calculation of successful treatment is still the same. Steve asked if in this case will they be able to suspend those data elements if its an administrative discharge? Rich answered yes, that’s how it always been done.

Rich ended by saying SAMH will have to figure out which data elements they will not be required to answer on the POMS. Then we’d have to put it in the Pamphlet.

## 3. Option to include PAC in POM **\*NEW\***

Some of our stakeholders have asked us to consider options to include PAC in the POM without having to wait for version 15. This would make it easier for them to

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submit co-occurring admissions. We understand the need to not make significant changes to the system (i.e. data structure changes) without providing 6 months notice to the field. FEI has presented an option that might not require providers to make any changes to their submissions if choose not to; but, allow some providers a new option if they so choose. The details of this proposal will be discussed in the meeting.

Jesse opened by saying the idea of moving the program area code to the performance outcome measure entity has been around for quite some time. The concern is the amount of time required to get the systems updated for the correct data to be submitted. One option is in addition to the program area code being on admission also add it to the performance outcome measure entity as an optional field. Then, it essentially overrides what is submitted under admission. Nathan stated it seems like the team can do this, and he's heard back from some that this would be beneficial. This new field would be optional and not required. He wants to be sure that if the decision is made to implement this optional field, the ME's are prepared to receive it as it will have an impact on them and their systems.

Rich touched base on the actual problem to give more insight into this situation. In the historical resubmissions, you have a client who was originally a mental health only client with the appropriate mental health POMS records, but now in the resubmission the client is changed to co-occurring, and the record is rejected.

Mike said this makes sense but the likelihood of them being able to have this in place quickly isn't that great. He also wasn't comfortable providing a reasonable date at this time. Johnny added this is doable but the timing of this is the concern.

Rich added one of the advantages of this is it's not required, so if you don't need it, don't use it. Jesse stated the earliest this would be able to go into FASAMS would be November.

Sharyn asked what if everyone just answered every question? Adding NA where needed for questions they didn't need. Would this solve the issue altogether? Danielle said right now there are actual errors for answering certain questions which puts partners in a weird situation if they do want to report everything. Beau added he thinks "NA" would be used when it's actually not applicable which could cause more issues.

Jesse asked Dan to send a list of potential issues to SAMH.

#### 4. Pamphlet 155-2 Update Process (Greg Nix) **\*NEW\***

Greg shared his screen and provided detailed information on this topic.

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## New Action Items

#	Item Description	Assignee	Estimated Completion
1	Determine what rules need to be modified based on Dan Fields's questions concerning Administrative Discharge	Rich Power	6/28/2021
2	Prepare a description of remaining concerns regarding FARS/CFARS and CGAS to be presented in the next DAC meeting.	Sharyn Dodrill	6/28/2021
3	Contact Diego and Sharyn about concerns pertaining to subcontract usage	Jesse Lindsey	7/2/2021