SOMB BUZZ! FEBRUARY 2025

Take the sting out of Standards Revisions by BEEing Informed.

This bulletin is to keep providers and stakeholders informed about Board Business and changes happening that affect their daily practice.

Pending Standards Revisions

The Board reviewed the following Action Items during the February Board Meeting.

- 1. Revisions to Adult Standards and Guidelines, 5.110, 5.115, and 5.120 were proposed to update statutory language regarding supervising agency referrals for Offense Specific Treatment. The Board voted to move these revisions to Public Comment.
- 2. The removal of Appendix M from the Adult Standards and Guidelines was proposed. The Computer Use Agreement is a Judicial document not authored by the SOMB. The Board voted to move these revisions to Public Comment.

Public Comment

Public comments will be collected electronically via Jotforms. The Jotform will be available on February 24, 2025, and public comment will be accepted until March 7, 2025.

- <u>Submit Public Comment on proposed revisions to Adult Standards Section 5:</u> 5.110, 5.115, and 5.120
- <u>Submit Public Comment on proposed revisions to Adult Standards Appendix M:</u> Computer Use Agreement Removal

Standards Revisions Approved by the Board

The following Revisions are currently in the Implementation Phase and should be fully implemented by July 1, 2025

- 1. November 2024:
 - a. Adult Standards Revisions 3.500 regarding Acceptance of Responsibility and Accountability.
 - b. Juvenile Standards Revisions 2.210 regarding Pre-Adjudication/Pre-Plea Evaluations.
 - c. Revisions to both the Adult and Juveniles Standards Section 4: Qualifications for Polygraph Examiners.

SOMB Committees

'BEE' a part of the process! Committees are where the honey is made! ALL Meetings have a virtual option. Schedule and Links can be found on the <u>DCJ Public Calendar</u>. You can also email the assigned SOMB Staff to be added to the email distribution list.

- Best Practices 2nd Tuesday of each Month: Erin Austin
- Adult Standards Revisions 3rd Thursday of each month. Erin Austin
- Juvenile Standards Revisions 1st Monday of each month: Paige Brown
- SOMB Victim Advocacy Committee 4th Thursday of each Month: Paige Brown
- SOMB Board Meetings: 3rd Friday of each month. <u>Subscribe to our Newsletter</u> for updates from the SOMB. To see Board Agendas, please visit the <u>Board Meetings Website</u>

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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