SOMB BUZZ! SUMMER SPECIAL EDITION 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.

Provider Notice! If your listing status expires on 12/31/25, your re-application is due by AUGUST 31, 2025. Please contact Maija.Roscoe@state.co.us with questions.

What You Missed at the Summit in the Rockies Board Meeting: July 2025

The SOMB held its monthly Board meeting at the Summit in the Rockies Conference in Breckenridge, separate from the DVOMB this year. The meeting was well attended by conference attendees and allowed for more engagement and interaction with Board members. Presentations during the Board meeting included a presentation from SOMB Providers, Tom Nelson, and Tanya Ahamed regarding the DOC Support Education Program and a nice reminder of continuity of care requirements in Section 7.0 of the Adult Standards. Erin Austin and Dr. Rachael Collie presented on the Guidance Document regarding Internet Use. This document will be before the Board in September as a decision item, proposing this to replace the former Appendix M - Computer Use Agreement. To review this document, please reach out to Erin.Austin@state.co.us or Rachael.Collie@state.co.us. Lastly, committee updates from SOMB Staff specific to what the Board and public attendees can look forward to seeing from committees in the coming months, as well as reminding everyone that committee meetings are open to the public.

We encourage providers to take a look at the SOMB Public Calendar and become involved.

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: <u>Erin Austin</u>
- 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>

Board Strategic Planning: August 2025

The standard SOMB was cancelled in August, as Board Members engaged in a strategic planning session. Board members came together, along with consultants Dr. Candice Waltrip and Ellen Stein-Wallace, to identify and discuss important Board initiatives for the next year. Preliminary reports will be shared during upcoming meetings, and the Board will begin to discuss next steps to implement initiatives.

Pending Standards Revisions

The Board did not review any Action Items during the July or August Board Meetings.

Public Comment

No documents were approved for release to public comment

Standards Revisions Approved by the Board

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

May 2025

- 1. Adult and Juvenile Standards: Section 4 (Provider Qualifications) and Appendix A-SOMB Administrative Policies regarding Criminal History definition.
- 2. Adult Standards Revisions: Removal of Appendix M.
- 3. Juvenile Standards Revisions: Section 5.000 Revisions Regarding Provider Choice

April 2025

- a. Adult Standards Revisions: 3.600 and 3.700 for Continuity of Care and SOTMP
- b. Adult Standards Revisions: 5.110, 5.115 & 5.120: Statutory requirement for Treatment Referrals

March 2025:

Policy:

1. Use of Interns by SOMB Approved Providers

Revisions

- a. Juvenile Standards Revisions: Removal of Appendix K and subsequent revisions to Appendix 10.
- b. Juvenile Standards Revisions: Section 3.151: Individualized Treatment Plans

c. Juvenile Standards Revisions: Section 5.000: Role of the Supervising Agency

Prior Revisions

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 Juvenile Standards, Section 4: Qualifications for Polygraph Examiners.

SOMB Training

SOMB Hub Catalogue Upcoming Trainings

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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