

Policy and Quality Committee Meeting Agenda

February 8, 2023

10am-10:34am

Attendees: Susan Forbes, Deanna Herrera, Jennifer Rodriguez, Selina Leyba (presenter), Nicole Hernandez, Susan Seefeldt, Kate Nash, Cassandra De Camp, Renee Valerio, Dominic Jaramillo, Ermanda King-Begay, Steven Wrigley, Tracy Perry, Tim Gardner, Robert Kegel, Melissa Carrasco

Agenda items:

1. **Vineland Assessment implementation presentation:** Selina Leyba presented the PowerPoint on the Vineland Assessment Tool. The PowerPoint was shared with the entire ACQ following the Policy and Quality Committee meeting. A link was provided to the committee to provide additional comments and recommendations.
2. **Question and Answer portion of the Vineland implementation presentation:**
 - **Robert Kegel:** Is there a Spanish version of the assessment? Are there Spanish speakers that administer the assessment? If this is going to be used for development of a service plan, then the assessment must be based on the environment. Service environments such as supported living and community services might require different supports and would impact rates. When Vineland use was previously being considered, it was deemed not viable.
 - **Jen Rodriguez:** The previous assessment tool used was not the Vineland, it was the ABA. The Vineland has been utilized by DDS for some time now.
 - **Tim Gardner:** Why use the Vineland How will it impact the participants? How will the team use the Vineland?
 - **Jen Rodriguez:** The Vineland is a tool that measures adaptive behavior. The team should consider information to aid in determining what the person receiving services may need. It is not an assessment to measure support needs outright and it has nothing to do with rates. Vineland is not tied to resource allocation and is one tool to be used in person centered planning
 - **Robert Kegel:** Why does the TPA need to see it? Why is the IDT not completing the assessment?
 - **Jen Rodriguez:** The TPA holds the contract for the Vineland. The IDT does not complete the assessment because they are not trained to complete the assessment.
 - **Cassandra De Camp:** The Vineland is available in Spanish. The report from the Vineland can appear clinical. Will CMS, Consultants, etc be able to interpret the information? Will training be available to help with this?
 - **Jen Rodriguez/Selina Leyba:** We will follow up with HSD to determine if there is a report that is less clinical in nature. There is a training available.
 - **Robert Kegel:** Requests an appropriate roll out of the assessment and that it includes parents and guardians.

- **Cassandra De Camp:** Is the CIA still included as an assessment and will it be updated.
 - **Jen Rodriguez:** We are considering the elimination of the CIA.
3. There are no further questions. A sample of the Vineland will be sent to the ACQ along with today's PowerPoint and summary