Sex Offender Management Board: Adult and Juvenile Standards Update May 2020

Greetings -

This is an update regarding the Colorado Sex Offender Management Board's work on the Standards and Guidelines for the Assessment, Evaluation, Treatment and Behavioral Monitoring of Adult Sex Offenders and the Assessment, Treatment and Supervision of Juveniles Who Have Committed Sexual Offenses.

Included in this bulletin regarding the Adult and Juvenile Standards and Guidelines:

- 1. Ratifications Approved by the Board
- 2. Solicitation for Public Comment
- 3. Board Meeting Agenda Items
- 4. Any other changes made or updates

RECENT RATIFICATIONS BY THE BOARD:

On May 15, 2020, the Board has ratified, and therefore finalized the following revisions:

- Revision to Section 4 (Adult & Juvenile)
 - Language added discussing administrative and third-party investigations as well as demonstrating compliance with the Standards and attesting to the commitment to comply with these Standards.
 - Revisions to the training requirement, 40 hours of training which includes the SOMB Introductory or the SOMB Booster.
 - Revisions to the third-party investigation regarding reference checks being completed and the SOMB requesting additional references or further background investigation.
 - 4.800 revisions with Period of Compliance, adding a Grace Period for Renewal along with an Eligibility for Future Renewal section.
 - Revisions to the Not Currently Practicing status and moving from active status to an administrative inactive side.

Revision to the Administrative Policies (Adult & Juvenile)

- Added Period of Compliance, Grace Period for Renewal and Eligibility for Future Renewal sections.
- Added language to explain the complaint process, Standards Compliance Reviews and the Variance process.

SOLICITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

On May 15, 2020, the Board made no approvals which required Public Comment.

MAY BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:

- Presentations by the SOMB Executive Committee, and Registration legislative Work Group.
- > Presentation of the Best Practices Protocol.
- Lifetime Supervision Criteria Discussion.
- ➤ White Paper Discussion-Juveniles Transferred to Adult Courts.

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Should you have questions regarding any of these agenda items, please contact the SOMB Staff listed below.

OTHER CHANGES OR UPDATES:

- The ARC is working on revisions to Section 4 for Polygraph Examiners and updating Provider Applications.
- > Staff are providing regular updates regarding COVID 19 and the Variance Process. The Discretionary Period for the Variance ends on July 1, 2020. Providers will have until August 31, 2020 to transition back to providing services per the Standards or submit a request for an extension. Further guidance will be provided as the situation evolves.

*******IMPORTANT REMINDER TO ALL APPROVED PROVIDERS******

Please review your database profiles and public listing for accuracy and contact the Standards Coordinators to request updates or edits. As stated in Section 4 of the Adult and Juvenile Standards, providers are required to "notify the SOMB in writing within two (2) weeks of changes to contact information."

As you review this updated information and questions arise, please do not hesitate to contact a Standards Coordinator via email or telephone.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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