

Overview: Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation (SMHRF) Screening and Assessment

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS)



Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Facilities (SMHRFs) are facilities that are federally designated as institutions for mental disease (IMDs) to specialize in providing services to individuals with serious mental illness. These facilities are designed to:

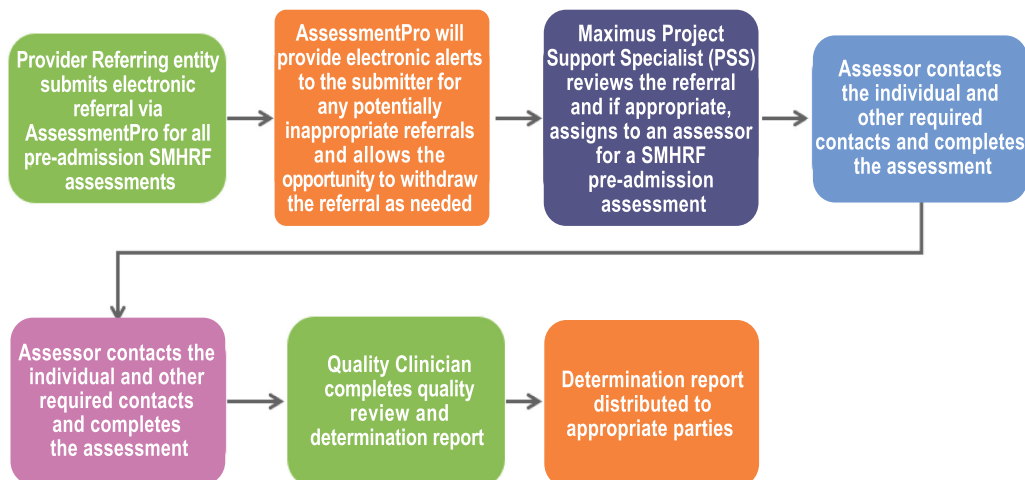
- Improve the adaptive functioning of persons with mental illness
- Facilitate the recovery of those persons
- Enable those persons to achieve a higher level of independence while preventing regression to a lower level of functioning.

All individuals being referred for SMHRF admission must have an assessment by a Qualified Professional to determine the appropriate level for service delivery in the least restrictive setting. No individual with mental illness shall be offered placement in a SMHRF at public expense unless, after being fully informed, he or she declines the opportunity to receive services in a community-based setting. Each assessment will include contact with the individual, their treating psychiatric and/or other professional staff as appropriate and applicable, and other supports as chosen by the individual.

All individuals being referred for SMHRF admission will need to be evaluated by Maximus prior to admission through a person-centered assessment process that is centered on identifying the services and supports required to live in an appropriate community-based setting.

If you are referring an individual for SMHRF admission, it is important that community-based services have been offered to the individual prior to referral.

SMHRF PROCESS WORKFLOW



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