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# Louisiana PASRR

## **Provider Newsletter:**

# Assessment Best Practice Tips & Reminders



#### **New LA PASRR Tools & Resources Site**

Have you seen the new **LA PASRR provider website layout**? If not, please take some time to check it out! It now has easy-to-navigate tabs for:

- About the Program
- Announcements
- FAQs
- Resources
- Training



#### New banners in AssessmentPro (APro):

- Reminder to submit all NF-initiated Resident Reviews in APro.
- Reminder that all Level II documents can be uploaded to APro.



#### Did a person trigger for Level II?

If so, make sure to **email all required Level II documents to OBH** (those that weren't uploaded to APRO), to avoid delays in OBH review.



#### **Level I Document Upload**

Make sure to **review all documents and ensure they are for the correct person** before uploading them to AssessmentPro.



#### **Reason for Screening**

When creating a Level I, **be mindful to answer the** *Reason for Screening* **question correctly**. If you are submitting a Level I Preadmission, mark "NF applicant." If submitting a Resident Review and the person is already in the NF, make sure to mark, "Nursing facility resident who is not currently in an inpatient psychiatric hospital/unit."



#### What Are the Eligibility Criteria for an EHD Approval?

A person must be admitted to a medical unit in a medical facility and require treatment for the same thing they are being treated for in the hospital for 30 days or less. The Physician Certification form must be signed by the treating MD and submitted with the Level I screen. Additionally, make sure to check the relevant EHD request in the Level I.

**Note:** A person is not eligible for an EHD if they are in the ED/ER or in an observation unit.

Are you Requesting a Terminal Illness Categorical?



If so, please make sure to include documentation indicating the person has 6 months or less to live along with a recent H&P and/or medical notes with a Review of Systems.



#### What is PAQA?

PAQA stands for **Post Admission Quality Assurance**. As a contractual requirement, Maximus completes a quality review of Level I screens that were algorithm approved. PAQA reviews both quality of the Level I outcome in APRO (ensuring accuracy based on the information provided) and provider quality to determine accuracy of the Level I screen based on information and documentation included in the Level I.

Maximus only conducts PAQA on a random sample of 10 Level I screens per week, which means that there's a low likelihood you will receive one of these requests very often. However, if you do receive a PAQA request, **please respond within 7 days**.

One of our Maximus Admins will contact you directly to explain the process and the documentation required. Feel free to ask our Admin any questions when they call. The outcome of our PAQA reviews are provided directly to the State on a regular basis.

### CONTACT: Maximus Louisiana PASRR Help Desk



Maximus provides easily accessible resources to support you. You may access the **Louisiana PASRR Help Desk** for technical assistance on specific referrals and assessments.

• Email: <u>LAPASRR@maximus.com</u>

• Phone: 833.571.4466

 Louisiana PASRR Tools and Resources: <a href="https://maximusclinicalservices.com/svcs/la/pasrr">https://maximusclinicalservices.com/svcs/la/pasrr</a>

For questions on Louisiana PASRR policy and procedure, contact the OAAS Nursing Facility Admissions (NFA) Unit by calling **337.262.1664**.

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