

To:	BHS Contracted Mental Health Children & Youth Providers
From:	Behavioral Health Services
Date:	September 3, 2024
Title	Outcome Measures for Children and Youth

With the transition to SmartCare, the CYF mHOMS will be discontinued effective September 1, 2024.

All user accounts specific to the child outcome measures detailed below will be deactivated after September 15, 2024.

Measures currently in CYF mHOMS migrating to SmartCare

- Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PSC) – starting September 1, discontinue entry of any PSC measures collected after August 31 into CYF mHOMS. Measures collected on or before August 31 may still be entered into CYF mHOMS through September 15. Effective September 1, only the Parent measure will be required. Parent measures collected on or after September 1 should only be entered into SmartCare.
- Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) - starting September 1, discontinue entry of any CANS measures collected after August 31 into CYF mHOMS. Measures collected on or before August 31 may still be entered into CYF mHOMS through September 15. Measures collected on or after September 1 should only be entered into SmartCare.

Measures currently in CYF mHOMS that are being sunset

- CANS-Early Childhood (EC) - starting September 1, discontinue entry of any CANS-EC measures collected after August 31 into CYF mHOMS. Measures collected on or before August 31 may still be entered into CYF mHOMS through September 15. Measures collected on or after September 1 should only be entered into SmartCare with a dedicated EC module versus a standalone tool.
- PSC-Youth (Y) – starting September 1, the PSC-Y measure will no longer be required and will not be supported by CYF mHOMS or SmartCare. Youth PSC will shift to an optional measure and programs who wish to retain it may download the measure from the CASRC website and score it in house. QSR objectives related to the PSC-Y will be removed from the QSR.
- Personal Experience Screening Questionnaire (PESQ) – starting September 1, the PESQ will no longer be required, and will not be supported by CYF mHOMS or SmartCare. QSR objectives related to the PESQ will be removed from the QSR.
- CYF mHOMS Administrative Forms – starting September 1, CYF mHOMS administrative forms will no longer be utilized:
 - CYF mHOMS Client Information Sheet
 - AD Discharge Supplemental Questionnaire
 - PESQ Cover Sheet

Quarterly Status Report (QSR) & Monthly Status Report (MSR) impacts

- As the county learns more about report functionality in SmartCare, the CANS and PSC QSR objectives will be aligned
- PSC-Y and PESQ objectives will be removed for FY2425
- QSR/MSR reports from CYF mHOMS will be unavailable after September 15, 2024

For More Information:

- Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)

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CANS and PSC-P Timelines in SmartCare

SmartCare is designed to collect CANS and PSC based on the client timelines. Therefore, when intaking a client who has another open enrollment/episode, all programs will follow the client outcome timelines. The client outcome intervals start at intake, 6-month reassessment intervals, and discharge. Entries outside of those intervals will be identified as 'urgent' versus a 'reassessment' which is acceptable to utilize as appropriate and expected when program design is set with 3-month reassessments (i.e. STRTPs). When a reassessment and discharge is due for a client with multiple serving providers, coordination is required for one submission for the client. SmartCare issues an error message stating that outcome cannot be completed any sooner than 4 months or any later than 8 months from the most recently completed measure which is addressed through the 'urgent' notation.

As the system transitions to SmartCare, the intent is to have the last CANS completion date pulled from CYF mHOMS to SmartCare for existing clients so the system can accept reassessment and discharge outcomes. This is a tentative plan and contingent on timelines, programs may receive SmartCare error alerts.

Outcome Websites

Both outcome websites are available and will be updated during the transition to SmartCare:

- https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/bhs/workforce/cyf_outcomes.html
- <https://psychiatry.ucsd.edu/research/programs-centers/casrc/soce/index.html>

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