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To: PBH MH and SA Providers  
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RE: Update to LOCUS and CALOCUS

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Dear Providers,

The Child and Adolescent Level of Care Utilization System (CALOCUS) and the Level of Care Utilization System (LOCUS) have been updated. The essential features of both assessment scales have not changed. The scale still includes Six Dimensions and Six Levels of Care. Basic Services or Level 0 is not considered a Level of Care.

Changes to the CALOCUS are mainly to the manual. There is a re-emphasis of System of Care Principles and language, especially related to coordination and integration of care with family and across community stakeholders when applicable (Mental Health, Schools, DJJ, DSS, etc).

Changes with this version of the LOCUS include:

- Simplified language within the rating scales
- Name change of Dimension VI from Engagement to Engagement and Recovery Status, and
- The stages of change (as conceived by Prochaska and DiClemente) have been applied to Dimension VI

Please make sure that you are referencing the most current version of each manual when you are scoring a LOCUS or CALOCUS. Updated versions of the LOCUS or CALOCUS can be found at [www.pbhsolutions.org](http://www.pbhsolutions.org) or on the internet at:

[http://www.communitypsychiatry.org/publications/clinical\\_and\\_administrative\\_tools\\_guide\\_lines/calocus.aspx](http://www.communitypsychiatry.org/publications/clinical_and_administrative_tools_guide_lines/calocus.aspx)

[http://www.communitypsychiatry.org/publications/clinical\\_and\\_administrative\\_tools\\_guide\\_lines/locus.aspx](http://www.communitypsychiatry.org/publications/clinical_and_administrative_tools_guide_lines/locus.aspx)

You can also find an updated version of the LOCUS/CALOCUS Training at [www.pbhsolutions.org](http://www.pbhsolutions.org)

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