

Growth Cap Webinar (Round 2)

September 15, 2023

Question & Answer Sheet

General

Q: Will a copy of these slides be shared later?

A: Yes, the slides will be emailed to participants and the slides along with the webinar recording will be made available online at www.dsh.ca.gov.

Q: How can we make a referral to or get access to the IST re-evaluation team?

A: If an individual has been identified as potentially competent, information sufficient to identify the individual should be sent to the Patient Management Unit (DSH Court Referrals courtreferrals@dsh.ca.gov) via secure/encrypted email. Required information includes patient name, CII, committing county along with any supplemental documentation supporting the referral. The Patient Management Unit will work with the DSH IST Re-Evaluation Service to schedule the patient for a re-evaluation, if appropriate, and will reach out to the county for any supplemental information that may be needed.

Methodology

Q: When are commitments counted?

A: IST determinations will be counted based on the commitment order date to DSH or a DSH-funded program. Unreconciled IST determination data will be recorded on a flow basis and reported out to counties on a quarterly basis. A final reconciliation of IST determination data must be completed by September 30th annually for the prior fiscal year's data. To complete the reconciliation of data by September 30th, IST determination data for commitment orders made in the prior fiscal year must be received by DSH by August 31st annually. Please refer to Department Letter 23-003, Attachment C entitled [IST Determination Methodology](#).

Q: Will any adjustments be made to the baseline?

A: No further adjustments to the IST determination policy are anticipated at this time. However, if a county has information that may lead to a correction of the baseline count, a dispute may be filed with DSH. Please refer to Department Letter 23-003, Attachment E, [Dispute Process](#).

Q: Have the Baseline and Quarterly reports been sent out already?

A: Yes, the reports were sent when the policy was released and can be found online here: https://www.dsh.ca.gov/Publications/Dept_Letters.html

- [Attachment A: FY 2021-22 Baseline Data](#)
- [Attachment B: FY 2022-23 Unreconciled Data](#)

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Designated Representatives

Q: How can Counties find out if they have a Designated Representative on file or not?

A: You can find out if you have a Designated Representative on file by emailing DSHISTGrowthCap@dsh.ca.gov.

Q: Which dept. at the County is typically the representative on file? Is it the Behavioral Health, the Court or the CAO's office, etc.?

A: All counties are encouraged to review Attachment D that was released with the policy to assist them in making the appropriate designation for their county. Most representatives that have been received by DSH have been from County Behavioral Health.

Rate/Fee

Q: I recall that any fees that Counties need to pay for IST overages will be deducted from 'local revenue sources.' What does that constitute - realignment dollars?

A: Fees can be paid from any local funding source including realignment. The local funding source(s) utilized is at the county's discretion.