

Introducing

The ASAM Criteria Track

A learning resource for professionals and organizations implementing The ASAM Criteria 3rd or 4th Edition



The ASAM Criteria track is part of The Change Companies' Fidelity Platform – a dynamic resource center that helps staff master evidence-based practices and measure progress. Learning opportunities include on-demand trainings for CEUs, a growing microlearning library, relevant articles and more.

The ASAM Criteria track features content specific to effective implementation of The ASAM Criteria and other best practices in addiction treatment.

The ASAM Criteria Track: Explore Topics

Users of The ASAM Criteria track can select which edition of The ASAM Criteria they are using and access a learning library specific to their ASAM needs. Edition-agnostic addiction treatment best practices are core to the track, regardless of which edition you are using. The topics below are slated to roll out throughout 2024.

The ASAM Criteria 3rd Edition Topics

- Foundational overview of The ASAM Criteria 3rd Edition
- Understanding the six dimensions as a biopsychosocial framework for understanding clinical needs
- How to use the dimensional and diagnostic admission criteria to determine the level of care
- How to decide when to move to The ASAM Criteria 4th Edition
- The true intent of risk ratings
- Understanding withdrawal management within The ASAM Criteria

The ASAM Criteria 4th Edition Topics

- Foundations of the 4th Edition
- What's new in the 4th and why?
- Dimensions, subdimensions and driving dimensions
- Understanding the new levels of care
- What happened to "Readiness to Change"?
- Level 1 services: Long-term remission monitoring and recovery management check-ups
- Understanding the two parts of level of care and treatment planning assessments with the 4th Edition
- Understanding the new 0.7 across all levels of care
- An overview of the new level of care decision algorithm

Evidence-based Addiction Treatment Topics

- Strengthening program design to improve fidelity to The ASAM Criteria
- Understanding system change in the context of implementation
- Effective individualized treatment planning: Developing and using the treatment plan
- Implementing effective harm reduction approaches
- Following "the golden thread": Effective documentation from intake to transition
- Understanding CARF certification
- Common misconceptions about The ASAM Criteria



The ASAM Criteria Track: On-demand Trainings

On-demand trainings offered in The ASAM Criteria track provide a scalable way for staff to understand the foundations of the criteria. They effectively prepare individuals to get the most out of in-person training.

ASAM Criteria 3rd Edition

Module 1: Multimedimensional Assessment

- Understand the six assessment dimensions
- Understand who can benefit from The ASAM Criteria
- Learn how to effectively assess and implement the Criteria through admission, service planning, treatment and discharge or transfer
- Practice applying The ASAM Criteria

Module 2: From Assessment to Service Planning and Level of Care

- Approach assessment from a personcentered perspective
- Perform an initial assessment
- Determine appropriate level of care placement
- Develop a collaborative service plan

Module 3: Introduction to The ASAM Criteria

- Review the historical context of The ASAM Criteria
- Identify terminology, populations, and emerging understandings of the 3rd Edition
- Apply The ASAM Criteria 3rd Edition toward person-centered, ongoing disease management

ASAM Criteria 4th Edition

Module 1: Introduction to the Fourth Edition of The ASAM Criteria

- Employ underlying principles and concepts of The ASAM Criteria 4th Edition
- Identify key components of The ASAM Criteria 4th Edition and implement them into practice

Module 2: Continuum of Care

- Employ the underlying principles and concepts of The ASAM Criteria
- Identify ASAM Criteria's continuum of care treatment levels and understand how integrated care is implemented within the different levels of care

Module 3: Assessments: Level of Care and Treatment Planning

- Employ the underlying principles and concepts of The ASAM Criteria
- Conduct The ASAM Criteria Level of Care Assessment and apply the Dimensional Admission Criteria to make level of care recommendations
- Utilize The ASAM Criteria Treatment Planning Assessment to determine treatment priorities and guide treatment planning

Module 4: Case Application Exercise

• Case activity for learning objectives covered in modules 1-3





The ASAM Criteria Track: Features

Updated regularly to meet your learning needs, the ASAM Criteria track features a growing library of relevant articles, downloadable resources, webinars, microlearnings, on-demand trainings and more.

Features

Microlearning library Brief skill-building videos for learning on the go	✓
On-demand trainings for CEUs Including NAADAC, NBCC, and more	✓
Relevant articles New ASAM-specific content added monthly	✓
Downloadable PDFs At-a-glance resource library for quick reference	✓
Webinar recordings In-depth overviews of key ASAM knowledge	✓

