



2020-2021 Prevention Workplan and Performance Standard Guidelines

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The New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports, Division of Prevention and Problem Gambling Services (PPGS) has determined that the following requirements, as stated in the **2014 Prevention Guidelines**, will be adjusted to address the development of 2020-2021 Workplans for the continued delivery of prevention services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Questions regarding this guidance should be directed to the Division of Prevention and Problem Gambling Services at Prevention@oasas.ny.gov

WORKPLAN AND WITNYS REPORTING FOR SERVICES JULY 1 - AUGUST 30, 2020.

Workplans for services delivered between July 1, 2020 to September 1, 2020 should be entered into survey monkey using the following link by **July 31, 2020**:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/summerservice2020>

Planned activities that occur starting July 1, 2020 should not be entered into WITNYS until the 2020-2021 Workplan has been approved by the NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS). Providers should keep track of these services until submitted in WITNYS.

WORKPLAN SUBMISSION:

The deadline for the submission of 2020-2021 workplans in **September 1, 2020**.

EXPANSION OF AGE PARAMETER

Prevention services (prevention education, environmental strategies, information awareness, community capacity building, positive alternatives, EBP early intervention) shall extend over the **lifespan**. This will further expand your ability provide prevention services that are innovative in reaching families and communities.

The current age parameter for prevention counseling services shall remain in effect to include individuals between the ages of 5-22 years old.

PERFORMANCE STANDARD 1: Planned Percentage of EBPS Staff Allocation

The 2014 OASAS Prevention Guidelines require prevention providers to allocate 60 percent of their OASAS funded prevention efforts to the delivery of evidence-based programs and strategies (EBPS) in their Workplan each year. EBPS are approved by the OASAS EBPS Review Panel and are listed in the Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Strategies (REPS) for Prevention.

For the 2020-2021 Workplan submission, the performance standard is amended and the guidance below is effective immediately. Prevention providers may select from the following menu of options in meeting performance standards for the 2020-2021 Workplan:

EBP Programs:

- Providers will have the option to continue using an EBP on the NYS EBP Registry.
- Virtual delivery of EBPs must meet one of the criteria listed below. Providers should consult the developer regarding best practice for the virtual delivery of program curriculum.
 - Online versions of [EBPs](#) created by the developer;
 - Use of established [EBPs](#) with populations across the lifespan (as guided by the developer).
 - Virtual implementation of [EBPs](#) as guided by the developer.

Environmental Prevention/Change Strategies:

- To be credited towards the 60% performance standard, implementation of environmental prevention strategies as an EBP, providers will be held to the standard of implementing all three components: Policy; Enforcement/Compliance; and Media/Public Awareness.
- **Promising Practice Programs (PPP)**
Prevention providers will be allowed to select programs from the attached (Attachment 1) OASAS Promising Practice Programs (PPP) list. These programs have been reviewed by PPGS and have a foundation in the science of prevention. The programs expand the targeted populations to include diverse youth, families and communities. Promising Practice Programs may or may not meet the 60% EBPS requirement in Prevention Planning Year 21-22.