ADOLESCENT ASAM LEVEL OF CARE PLACEMENT

ASAM	Dimension 1	Dimension 2	Dimension 3	Dimension 4	Dimension 5	Dimension 6
Adult	Acute	Biomedical	Emotional,	Readiness to	Relapse,	Recovery/Living
Level of	Intoxication	Conditions	Behavioral, or	Change	Continued	Environment
Care	and/or	and	Cognitive		Use, or	
	Withdrawal	Complications	Conditions and		Continued	
	Potential		Complications		Problem	
					Potential	
Intensive	Adolescent is	None, or	The	The	Unable to	Environment is
Inpatient	experiencing	stable, or	adolescent's	adolescent	control use	dangerous to
Level 3.5	mild to	receiving	status features	needs	and/or	his or her
	moderate	concurrent	one or more of	intensive	behaviors and	recovery, so
Clinically	withdrawal (or	medical	the following:	motivating	avoid serious	that he or she
Managed	is at risk of	monitoring as	A) Moderate	strategies in	impairment	requires
Medium-	withdrawal),	needed.	but stable risk	a 24-hour	without a 24-	residential
Intensity	but does not		of harm, thus	structured	hour	treatment to
Residential	need		needing	program to	structured	promote
Services	pharmacological		medium-	address	program. He	recovery goals,
	management or		intensity 24-	minimal	or she is	or for
	frequent		hour	engagement	unable to	protection.
	medical or		monitoring or	in, or	overcome	
	nursing		treatment for	opposition	environmental	
	monitoring.		safety; B)	to,	triggers or	
			Moderate to	treatment,	cravings, has	
			severe	or to	insufficient	
			interference	address his	supervision	
			requiring	or her lack	between	
			medium-	of	encounters at	
			intensity	recognition	a less	
			residential to	of current	intensive level	
			support	severe	of care, or has	
			engagement;	impairment.	high	
			C) Moderate to	-	chronicity	
			severe		and/or poor	
			impairment		response to	
			that cannot be		treatment.	
			managed at a			
			less intensive			
			level of care; D)			
			Moderate to			
			severe			
			difficulties with			
			Assisted Daily			
			Living (ADL)			

risk of withdr being concu	None, or stable, or receiving concurrent medical monitoring as needed.	hour supervision and medium- intensity staff assistance; and/or E) Adolescent's history (combined with the present situation) predicts destabilization without medium- intensity residential treatment. The adolescent's status is characterized by one or more of the following: A) Adolescent needs a stable living environment for safety; B) Moderate interference requiring limited 24-hour supervision to support treatment engagement; C) Moderate impairment needing limited	Open to recovery but needs limited 24- hour supervision to promote or sustain progress.	Understands the potential for continued use and/or has emerging recovery skills but needs supervision to reinforce recovery and relapse prevention skills, limit exposure to substances and/or environmental triggers, or maintain therapeutic gains.	Environment poses a risk to his or her recovery, so that he or she requires alternative residential secure placement or support.
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responsibilities;	
D) Moderate	
difficulties with	
ADLs requiring	
limited 24-hour	
supervision and	
frequent	
prompting;	
and/or E) The	
adolescent's	
history	
(combined with	
the present	
situation)	
predicts	
instability	
without limited	
24-hour	
supervision.	

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