

SUD RESIDENTIAL WITHDRAWAL MANAGEMENT ASAM LEVEL OF CARE PLACEMENT

ASAM Level of Care	Length of Stay/Continued Service and Discharge Criteria
Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Management (WM) Level 3.2WM	<p>For individuals who are intoxicated or experiencing withdrawal with signs and symptoms sufficiently severe to require 24-hour observation, structure and support; however, the full resources of Level 3.7WM are not necessary.</p> <p>The patient continues in Level 3.2WM program until:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Withdrawal signs and symptoms are sufficiently resolved that he or she can be safely managed at a less intensive level of care; or, 2. The patient's signs and symptoms of withdrawal have failed to respond to treatment and have intensified (as confirmed by higher scores on a standardized scoring system), such that transfer to a more intensive level of WM service is indicated; or 3. The patient is unable to complete WM at Level 3.2WM, despite an adequate trial. For example, he or she is experiencing increasing depression and suicidal impulses complicating cocaine withdrawal and indicating the need for transfer to a more intensive level of care or the addition of other clinical services (such as intensive counseling).
Medically Monitored Inpatient WM Level 3.7WM	<p>For individuals whose intoxication and withdrawal signs and symptoms are sufficiently severe to require 24-hour observation, monitoring and treatment based on a defined set of medically approved policies and medically-monitored procedures.</p> <p>The patient continues in a Level 3.7WM program until withdrawal signs and symptoms are sufficiently resolved that he or she can be safely managed at a less intensive level of care; or</p> <p>Alternatively, the patient's signs and symptoms of withdrawal have failed to respond to treatment and have intensified (as confirmed by higher scores on a standardized scoring system), such that transfer to a Level 4WM intensive level of withdrawal management service is indicated.</p>

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