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Sent on behalf of Stephanie Gay, LPC, Director of Provider Certification:

With the rule changes that occurred in September of 2016, gambling standards were deleted from Chapters 17, 18 and 24. Although these standards were physically deleted, the ability to perform the gambling treatment services was left in, as it was considered to be services that those certified agencies could provide, as long as the services were rendered by a gambling treatment professional.

Provider Certification wanted to send out some clarification to facilities who are certified as Ch. 18 Alcohol/Drug Treatment Facility and Ch. 24 Comprehensive Community Addiction Recovery Centers with regards to whether or not an ASAM needs to be performed when a consumer presents to your facility for gambling treatment.

Because the consumer has presented at a facility that treats alcohol and drug issues, instead of at a facility that is solely certified for gambling treatment (Ch. 65), that consumer **MUST** be screened for a substance use disorder (SUD), as well as for gambling issues.

- If the consumer screens as having an SUD, then an ASAM **must** be performed.
- If the consumer does not screen as having an SUD, then an ASAM should not be performed.