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>>> PASRR Transition Reminder

As of **Monday, July 1**, the transition process is now complete for the Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) transition to Ascend as the provider for Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) Level II - Serious Mental Illness (SMI) assessments. The Department will continue to provide relevant program updates, as well as helpful process tips, best practices, and potential learning opportunities, through future email communications. In the meantime, below is a handy checklist for PASRR Level II (LII) - SMI processes and the introduction of a new online resources page.

CHECKLIST: Your PASRR LII – SMI Transition Guide

Please review the details below for a full breakdown of what remains the same and what has changed as of July 1 from existing PASRR processes, including fax referral number, new assessor network, and program support resources.

1

HENS Process - NO CHANGE

HENS will continue to accept applications. Providers are encouraged to use this established process and submit their applications through the HENS system moving forward.

2

Faxing Referrals - NEW

If you need to fax in a referral, the number has changed. As of July 1, submit any referrals via fax to: **877.431.9568**

3

HelpDesk Support - NEW

If you have inquiries on referrals submitted after July 1, or general questions about PASRR processes, contact the Ascend Ohio PASRR HelpDesk team:

Ascend-OHPASRR@maximus.com

877.431.1388 ext. 3402

4

Assessor Network - NEW

As of today, you will begin to see some new faces for any onsite PASRR LII - SMI assessments required. These will now be scheduled and performed by a qualified **network of independently contracted assessors** working with Ascend's Ohio PASRR team.

TOOLKIT: Ohio PASRR Web Resource

We're pleased to introduce your new Ohio PASRR web resources page. As content is added in the coming weeks and months, this will become a valuable, go-to online channel for accessing:

- Program Contacts
- State Forms
- Support Documents
- Training Materials

Ohio PASRR Tools & Resources | maximus.com/ascend/oh-pasrr/

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