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Sue,

Below are the definitions that I've reviewed with Karen Gennette, Bobby Sand and Julie Tessler. I believe everyone is OK with this version now.

NEEDS SCREENING: A preliminary systematic procedure to evaluate the likelihood that an individual has a substance use or a mental health condition.

CLINICAL ASSESSMENT: After a client has been screened the procedures by which a licensed or otherwise approved counselor identifies and evaluates an individual's strengths, weaknesses, problems and needs for the development of a treatment plan.

Language from the House Judiciary Amendment:

(1) "Clinical assessment" means a detailed and formalized review of a person's strengths, expressed and identified needs, and social determinants of health that lead to the development of an individual plan of care or treatment plan, including referral to community providers and resources.

(2) "Needs screening" means a triage function that determines primary and secondary needs and whether there are indicators that a full clinical assessment is warranted. The screening leads to a determination of the appropriate referral to community resources or may lead to no further intervention

(3) "Risk assessment" means a pretrial assessment that is predictive of a person's failure to appear in court and risk of violating pretrial conditions of release with a new alleged offense.