**Calls Regarding Positive Urine Drug Screen and Non-Compliance with Treatment Plans:**

**SCR’s Frequently Asked Questions**

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When calling SCR about a client who has tested positive on a urine drug screen or is non-compliant with his/her treatment plan, please be prepared to answer the following questions appropriate to the situation:

When was the last positive urine screening and the date the screening was administered?

* How often are they tested?
* How long has the parent been in treatment?
* How many previous positive drug screens have been provided since the beginning of treatment?
* Is there a pattern of current drug use or is this an isolated incident?
* Are the levels decreasing or increasing from the last drug screen (if applicable)?

What is the parent’s preferred illicit substance (i.e. drug of choice)

* Have they had positive screenings for other substances?

Is the parent the primary caretaker of their children?

* Is the provider aware of any instances where the parent was caring for their children (or other children) while under the influence?
* Does the parent abuse drugs in the presence of their children
* Where is the parent using (i.e. at home, outside on the porch/backyard, socially, etc.)?
* Do the parents have any supports (i.e. another non abusing adult that resides in the home and is supportive of their sobriety)?
* Is the provider aware of any other adults abusing drugs in the home and/or associated with anyone who is abusing drugs?
* If the parent is not the custodial parent, then who has custody and what are the living arrangements?
  + If not, is the provider aware of contact or visitation of the children and are they supervised or unsupervised

Up until the reported concern was the parent compliant with treatment?

* What is the parent’s treatment history (i.e. has he/she been in treatment in the past?
  + If so, did they successfully complete treatment & is the current program providing similar services to what the client underwent in the past or is it different?
* Did the parent express/indicate any stressors or hardships that resulted in the relapse or non-compliance?
* What steps is your agency taking to address this issue?
* Will the parent’s treatment level/plan be changed?
* Will there be any repercussions or violation from SAI due to the positive drug screen (i.e. terminating services due to non-compliance or welfare sanctions)?
* What are your recommendations for the parent moving forward?

Was the on-going case worker and/or supervisor notified of the positive urine analysis

* Was the client informed of the results? If so, what was the client’s response?
* Has the provider observed the parent impaired, or in a condition that reflects intoxication?
* Can the provider explain how does this affect or impact the children involved?