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## **Quarterly Provider Newsletter: Arts Commission Announces Program with FSSA to Bring Arts and Creativity to Older Adults | Best Practice - Medicaid Effective Date | 1135 Waiver Change**

The Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) recently announced a new partnership with Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) Division of Aging geared towards benefiting older adults in Indiana.

**Lifelong Arts Indiana** is a learning opportunity for aging services providers and artists to develop their skills in providing creative experiences for older adults. The program equips participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to provide impactful creative experiences for older adults, ages sixty-five and older, in their community-- and provides access to the funds to help make it happen.

“Through national research and previous agency work in this area, we have seen the immense impact that creative activity has on Indiana’s older adults,” said Miah Michaelson, IAC Executive Director. “We are incredibly grateful for the partnership of the FSSA to bring training and funding to support this work around the state.”

Lifelong Arts Indiana has two tracks, one for teaching artists and the other for aging services providers.

Teaching artists can apply to be a part of the Lifelong Arts Indiana Artist Cohort. Selected participants complete a virtual, three-day workshop led by Lifetime Arts, a national leader in creative aging program development. Training will explore best practices in creative aging and strategies to develop an effective, sequential arts learning experience for older adults. Following training, participants will receive personal coaching and up to \$1,500 via an Early Action Grant opportunity. The deadline to apply for the artist cohort is March 30, 2023.

### **[Apply to be a part of the artist cohort.](#)**

Aging services providers can sign up for one of four free, in-person workshops. The training sessions are as follows:

- April 28, 2023: Fort Wayne
- June 23, 2023: Bloomington
- Sept. 19, 2023: Evansville
- Nov. 14, 2023: Gary

### **[Sign up to attend a training for aging services providers.](#)**

The trainings are designed for professionals in the aging services community, such as area agencies on aging, senior centers, or other community-based senior serving organizations, and will focus on information about creative aging theory, step-by-step planning support, practical application of the learnings, and the opportunity for grant support.

Aging services provider training participants will be eligible to apply for an Early Action Grant to fund a sequential arts-learning experience for a group of older adults in their community. Grants will be for up



to \$5,000 and must be led by a qualified artist.

Learn more about the program and different training and funding opportunities available.

### **BEST PRACTICE: Input the Medicaid Effective Date**

If there is a Medicaid effective date available, always be sure to include it when entering information for an individual's PASRR referral.

### **REMINDER: Section 1135 Waiver to Change on May 11**

A recent announcement from DHHS was issued regarding the official May 11, 2023 end of the public health emergency (PHE). With this change, the 30-day delay of PASRR Level I screenings and Level II evaluations will also terminate on May 11, 2023.

Note that this planned date is beyond the 60-day notice that CMS has previously said would be given to allow states to unwind any COVID-related changes to their PASRR program. As such, CMS will expect all states to resume full pre-admission PASRR activities as of May 12, 2023.

**Additional questions?** If you have specific questions about this upcoming change and how it will affect PASRR activities, please contact the Help Desk by phone at 833.597.2777 or email: [pasrr@fssa.in.gov](mailto:pasrr@fssa.in.gov).

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### **Register for March 29 Provider Training: "Revisiting AssessmentPro and the Level I" Ahead of 1135 Waiver Change**

Join the Indiana PASRR Training Team for an informative, hour-long Hospital provider-focused training. Nursing Facility staff and other AssessmentPro users are also welcomed to attend. During this session, we will review several **AssessmentPro basics**, including:

- How to register for AssessmentPro
- Resetting your password
- Completing the Level I Screen
- Digital form used for release of information
- Digital form used for the assessment scheduling attestation



**[Register: Revisiting AssessmentPro and the Level I | 3 p.m. ET Wednesday, March 29](#)**

**Why you should attend**

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**New Provider Training Session Added: “Revisiting AssessmentPro and the Level I” Ahead of 1135 Waiver Change | 3 p.m. ET on Wednesday, April 5**

So many people have expressed interest in the AssessmentPro and Level I training that we are opening a second session. If you missed the previous session, please follow the link below to register and join us for next Wednesday’s training. We will make the recording available via email for anyone who registers, as well as sharing on the Indiana PASRR Tools and Resources page for all to access. During this session, we will review several **AssessmentPro basics**, including:

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### **New Provider Newsletter: Register for July 27 Q&A Session | Important Process Update | Best Practice Tips & Reminders**

#### **REGISTER: IN PASRR Provider Q&A Session | 2:00 p.m. ET on Thursday, July 27**

What PASRR related topics would you like to learn more about? What questions can we answer for you? Join the IN PASRR team for a Q&A session on Thursday, July 27 at 2:00 p.m. ET. There's no prepared presentation, no recordings, no lecture - just a chance for us to answer your questions.

Click the link below to register in advance for this informative session:

[IN PASRR Q&A Discussion | 2 p.m. ET on Thu, July 27](#)

#### **PROCESS UPDATE: DOA Waiver is No Longer a Substitute for the LOC**

Please be aware that going forward, an uploaded waiver will no longer stand as substitute for Level of Care (LOC). A short form LOC is needed in addition to the attachment of the Division of Aging waiver. This excludes BDDS community waivers for MFP/CIH.

#### **BEST PRACTICES: Assessment Tips & Reminders**

1. To help with timely completion of Level II assessments, please **fax in all documentation requested by Assessors**. This helps the Level II Clinicians complete your summary of findings and reduces turnaround times. Some items an Assessor may ask for include:

PT/OT notes  
Medication Administration Records (MAR)  
Psychiatric notes or evaluations



Keep in mind that **documentation must be faxed directly to Maximus from the facility**, and cannot be sent via email or taken offsite by an Assessor. Likewise, any mental health diagnosis used in a Level II must come from a document signed by a Medical Doctor or Nurse practitioner, and must have been completed within the past year (i.e. psychiatric evaluation or progress note, H&P or medical progress note)

2. Remember that **submitters are always expected to respond to contact attempts** to schedule Level II assessments and participate in the interview. If the submitter of the Level I/Level of Care is not the person Maximus should contact to schedule and participate in the Level II, then the appropriate contact's information should be noted in the Level I communication box or notes section. If we cannot reach the facility or hospital to schedule the assessment, the assessment may be cancelled, and the submitter will have to resubmit.
3. Be sure to **check your email for the digital Scheduling Attestation and Release of Information forms** submitted by Assessors for signature. This form is used to confirm that the Assessor completed the interview at the facility and to ensure a Release of Information is signed, where applicable.

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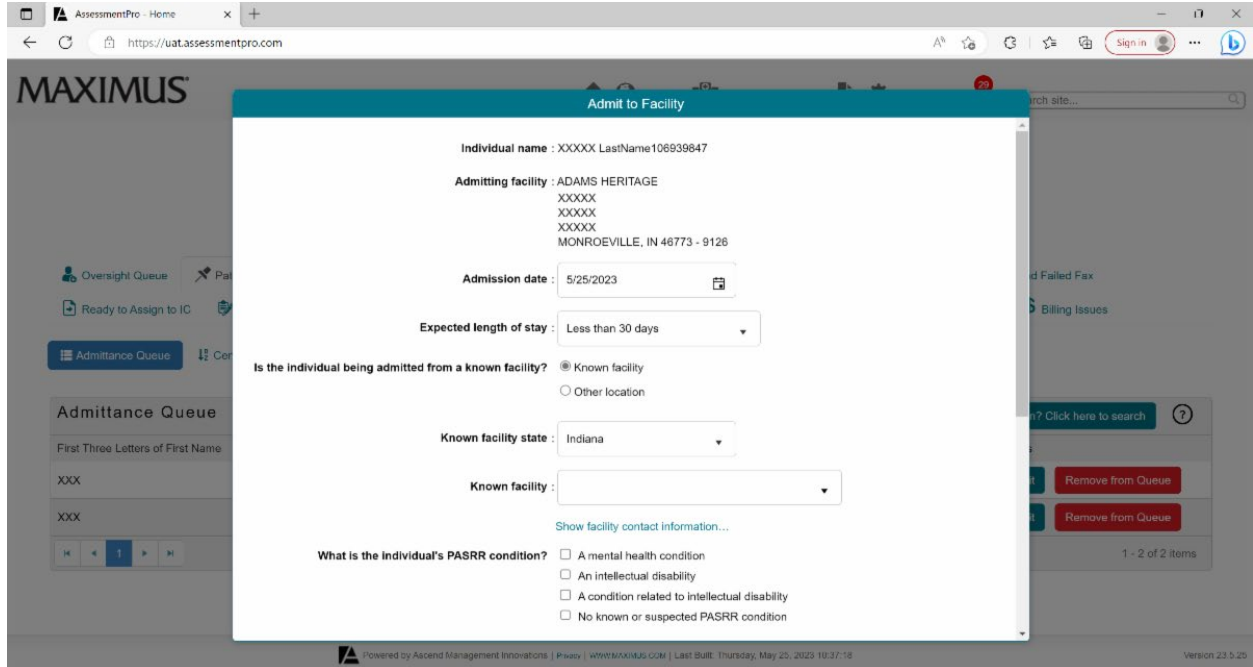
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**Important Process Reminder: Level of Care Added to PathTracker Admission Modal**

Keep in mind that nursing facility users now must **select the appropriate Level Of Care (LOC Short or Long) assessment** on the PathTracker Admission modal when admitting Medicaid recipients to their respective nursing facilities.

The **Level Of Care (LOC Short or Long) assessment selected should correspond to the timeframe matching the individual's initial length of stay** for the particular admission in question (see screenshots below):

*PathTracker Admission Modal:*



**Admit to Facility**

Individual name : XXXXX LastName106939647

Admitting facility : ADAMS HERITAGE  
XXXXX  
XXXXX  
XXXXX  
MONROEVILLE, IN 46773 - 9126

Admission date : 5/25/2023

Expected length of stay : Less than 30 days

Is the individual being admitted from a known facility? ☒ Known facility  
☐ Other location

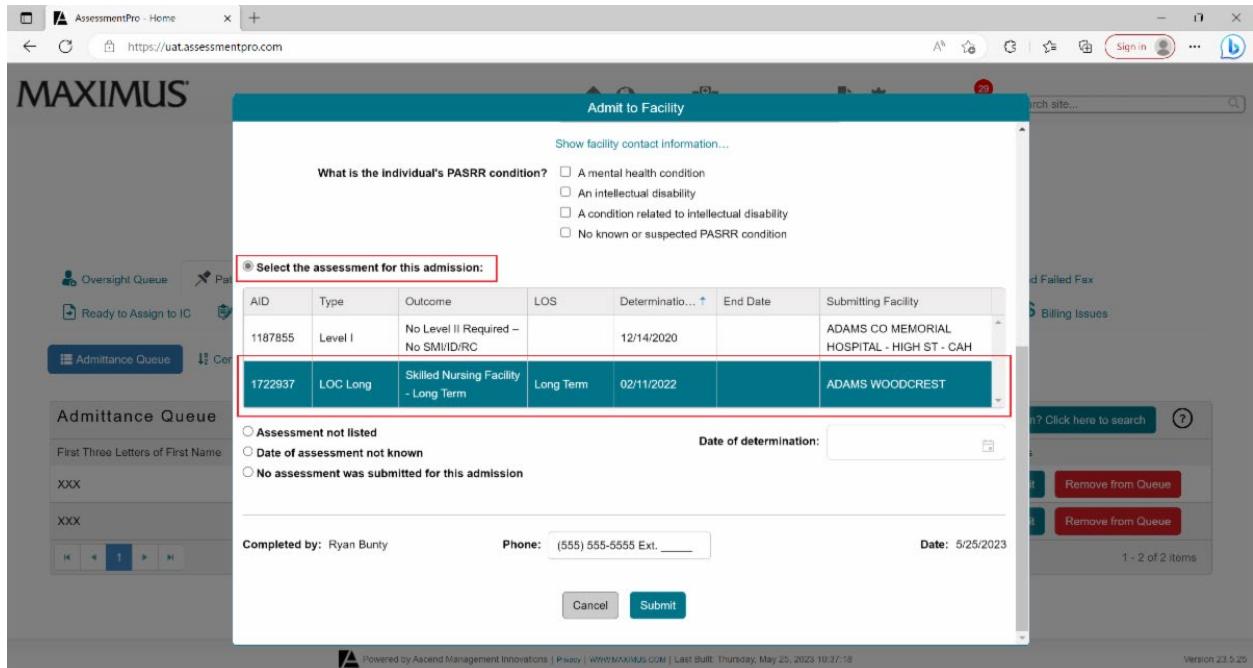
Known facility state : Indiana

Known facility :

Show facility contact information...

What is the individual's PASRR condition?  
☐ A mental health condition  
☐ An intellectual disability  
☐ A condition related to intellectual disability  
☒ No known or suspected PASRR condition

Select the assessment for this admission:



**Admit to Facility**

Show facility contact information...

What is the individual's PASRR condition?  
☐ A mental health condition  
☐ An intellectual disability  
☐ A condition related to intellectual disability  
☐ No known or suspected PASRR condition

Select the assessment for this admission:

AID	Type	Outcome	LOS	Determinatio...	End Date	Submitting Facility
1187855	Level I	No Level II Required – No SMIID/RC		12/14/2020		ADAMS CO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - HIGH ST - CAH
1722937	LOC Long	Skilled Nursing Facility - Long Term	Long Term	02/11/2022		ADAMS WOODCREST

☐ Assessment not listed  
☐ Date of assessment not known  
☐ No assessment was submitted for this admission

Date of determination:

Completed by: Ryan Bunty Phone: (555) 555-5555 Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 5/25/2023

Cancel Submit

This will ultimately assist in the streamlining of the automated payment processing system for nursing facility Medicaid reimbursement. To avoid payment issues or disruptions, it is important to **select the Level Of Care (LOC Short or Long) assessment that was submitted for the individual's particular nursing facility stay.**



We will be making further enhancements in the future to improve the user experience in this regard, and will send out additional communications at that time.

Thank you for your attentiveness and cooperation with this new procedure. If you have any questions about this important update, please contact the IN PASRR Help Desk at 1.833.597.2777 or email [pasrr@fssa.in.gov](mailto:pasrr@fssa.in.gov).

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#### **Quarterly Provider Newsletter: Assessment Best Practice Tips & Reminders | Review Resources on Indiana Provider Site**

##### **BEST PRACTICES: Assessment Tips & Reminders**

1. A new PASRR or Level of Care is not required if there is a current one, if there has not been a status change, and if the individual is returning to a nursing facility.
2. Keep in mind that a Level of Care is required for Medicaid, when Medicaid is pending, and whenever a Level II is required.

##### **TOOLKIT: Review Important Guides and Training Materials Available on the IN PASRR Provider Tools & Resources Site**

Keep in mind that the Indiana PASRR Provider Tools & Resources site is full of helpful guides, manuals, and training materials that you can view or download 24/7. Be sure to review a few of these helpful resource links also listed below:

- [Indiana PASRR FAQ for Providers](#)
- [Indiana PASRR - Level of Care Reimbursement Process](#)
- [IN PASRR Provider Training: PASRR Process and Level I](#)



- [Being Ready for a Level II: Questions and Information Needed from Providers - Slides](#)
- [Being Ready for a Level II: Questions and Information Needed from Providers - Recording](#)
- [Indiana: PASRR and Processes - Slides](#)
- [Indiana: PASRR and Processes - Recording \(Register to view, when prompted\)](#)

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**Learning Opportunity: Register for Upcoming Provider Q&A Session on December 13**

Join the Maximus - Indiana PASRR team for answers to all of your toughest PASRR questions. We won't be presenting new information or training, so bring your questions with you. Our team will answer as many questions as time allows.

- [Register - Indiana PASRR Provider Q&A | 11 a.m. CT/12 p.m. ET, Wednesday, December 13, 2023](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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