Assessor Update August 8, 2016

All Assessors and Peers,

OCJS has greatly streamlined the forms which are used for certification under the Ohio Collaborative. This change was partially impacted by the feedback received from many of you that the process and forms seemed redundant. The new format is more clear, succinct and will be especially important going forward as more standards are added to the process.

Attached please find:

- A letter from Executive Director Karhlton Moore introducing the changes
- Attached to Director Moore's letter is the New Standards Compliance Checklist which includes:
    - Sample policies
    - Examples
    - Statements regarding what documentation is need to meet compliance
    - Frequently Asked Questions

As Assessors and Peers, please review and become familiar with these new forms. The new level of detail and instruction which the forms supply will greatly assist agencies and hopefully eliminate a number of questions.

Also attached is:

- A sample of a completed final report using the new format
- A new blank copy of the Final Report for your use
- A fillable form blank copy of the Final Report for your use

The new forms can be used effectively immediately. I will start attaching the new forms to all future assessor assignments. Both the OACP website and OCJS website should be updated this week to include the new forms (and delete the older versions).

A Broadcast Communication concerning these changes will be sent to all OACP members this week. As important individuals involved with the Ohio Collaborative, I wanted you to have the benefit of prior knowledge on this. Please contact me with any questions.

NOTE: In last week's Broadcast Communication regarding the State Wide Standards it was incorrectly stated that the compliance list of certified agencies would be published in March 2018. The list will be published in **March 2017.**

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