



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 4729:4-1-03 Requirements for approved treatment providers.

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- (A) An approved treatment provider, as defined in rule 4729:4-1-01 of the Administrative Code, shall meet or exceed the following requirements:
- (1) Certification, as determined by the board, by the Ohio department of behavioral health pursuant to Chapter 5119. of the Revised Code.
  - (2) Any other treatment provider approved by the board, to include:
    - (a) An out-of-state provider, when treatment has already been initiated or completed; or
    - (b) Any provider not certified in accordance with paragraph (A)(1) of this rule.
  - (3) Any treatment provider must be approved prior to a licensee or registrant participating in the program, unless the board finds exceptional circumstances exist, in which case the board may approve the treatment provider during or after treatment.
- (B) An intervenor associated with an approved treatment provider shall:
- (1) Respond to information from concerned individuals;
  - (2) Ascertain validity of the information received;
  - (3) Assess the situation and, if the licensee or registrant is showing evidence of impairment, the intervenor shall refer the individual for evaluation;
  - (4) If the licensee or registrant fails to comply within one week to a referral for evaluation, the intervenor must report the name of the individual to the board within one business day.
- (C) A treatment assessor associated with an approved treatment provider shall evaluate a licensee or registrant referred to the approved treatment provider to determine if the licensee or registrant has a substance use disorder related impairment.
- (1) If such an impairment exists, the approved treatment provider shall formulate the licensee or registrant's individualized treatment plan as defined in rule 4729:4-1-01 of the Administrative Code. The specific requirements shall be determined by an assessment of psychological, physical, developmental, family, social, environmental, recreational, and professional needs. The individualized treatment plan shall be part of a treatment contract which the impaired licensee or registrant must sign.



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If the impaired licensee or registrant fails to sign the treatment contract and enter treatment within forty-eight hours of the determination that the licensee or registrant needs treatment, the approved treatment provider must report the name of the licensee or registrant to the board within one business day.

(D) The designated person for the approved treatment provider shall:

- (1) Establish a system of records that will provide for complete information about an impaired licensee or registrant from intervention through the rehabilitation stage;
- (2) Establish treatment contracts meeting the requirements of this division and a system of follow up to determine compliance by the impaired licensee or registrant with the treatment contract;
- (3) Ensure the confidentiality of the impaired licensee or registrant, except:
  - (a) If the licensee or registrant fails to comply within one week to a referral for evaluation;
  - (b) If the impaired licensee or registrant fails to sign the contract and enter treatment within forty-eight hours of the determination that the licensee or registrant needs treatment;
  - (c) If the impaired licensee or registrant does not suspend practice on entering treatment;
  - (d) If the impaired licensee or registrant does not comply with the terms of the treatment contract;
  - (e) If the impaired licensee or registrant resumes practice before the approved treatment provider or monitoring program has made a clear determination that the licensee or registrant is capable of practicing;
  - (f) If the impaired licensee or registrant suffers a relapse at any time.
- (4) Notify the state board of pharmacy within one business day if the licensee or registrant violates any provision of this rule.