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SUBJECT: Statewide Inpatient Care Waitlist (ICW) – Upgrades

On Monday, September 21, 2015, the following upgrades to the ICW are scheduled for production:

- 'Referral Type', 'Referral Entity Name', 'Referral Entity Contact Name', and 'Referral Entity Contact Phone' will be renamed to more accurately reflect the information desired, i.e. where the individual is physically waiting for inpatient services. For instance, 'Referral Type' will be renamed to 'Physical Location of Client'.
- Drop-down menu for 'Referral Type' (soon to be 'Physical Location of Client') will change slightly, with a few options deleted and a few added and/or revised.
- 'Age Type' will be replaced with 'Age', indicating the chronological age of the individual instead of a general categorization of adult or youth.

The intent of the upgrades is to assist end users in determining appropriate and available placement options for individuals requiring inpatient services.

If there are questions regarding the upgrades, please contact Tamra Boyd at tamra.boyd@dshs.state.tx.us or 512-206-5056, or send an email to the ICW dedicated mailbox at icw@dshs.state.tx.us.