FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT (FFPSA) NORTH DAKOTA
Objectives

1. Discuss how to work with Ascend for FFPSA
2. FFPSA Workflow
3. Applications and forms
Workflow

Case Manager submits Universal Application to QRTP

Case Manager Submits Admission Referral to Ascend

Ascend completes CANS

Ascend makes LOC decision

Ascend sends report to Case Manager
Emergency or Planned Admission with Approval

Case Manager applies to QRTP / Emergency Admit

Case manager FAXES referral to Ascend, includes UA, supporting information

Ascend assessor coordinates interview with CM, child, others

Ascend Assessor returns completed CANS to Ascend

Ascend completes quality review

Ascend creates outcome report with LOC determination

Ascend emails report to court and CM

CM informs QRTP of determination

90 day approval period
Emergency or Planned Admission with Approval

- Child applies to QRTP / Emergency Admit
- Case manager FAXES referral to Ascend, includes UA, supporting information
- Ascend assessor coordinates interview with CM, child, others

Preferred:
- Referral form
- Universal Assessment
- Completed IQ testing
- Psychiatric evaluation
- IEP
- Treatment Plan
- Specialist evaluation

If emergency, also submit from the QRTP:
- Suicide risk assessment
- Behavioral assessment
- Medical assessment

Ascend emails report to court and CM
determination
90 day approval period
Denial and Reconsideration Process

Denial

Case Manager submits reconsideration request to state
Must include additional/new information

State reviews

If Approved, state emails approval to requester

Case Manager submits the reconsideration approval and new information to Ascend

Ascend reviews materials and upholds or overturns denial

Ascend emails report to court and CM

CM informs QRTP of determination
State submits Court Outcome to Ascend, if reversal

Ascend captures the outcome and new dates

Ascend revises the determination

Ascend emails report to court and CM

CM informs QRTP of determination
FORMS AND APPLICATIONS
**IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE**

- **2/9/18**: FFPSA Legislation Passed
- **7/1/19**: FFPSA Contract Award to Ascend
- **9/17/19**: Statewide Conferencing Begins
- **TBD**: Tools and Resources Released for Review
- **10/1/19**: Go Live
- **11/19**: In-person Training Sessions
UPCOMING WEBINARS

- Implementation next steps
- Q&A
- Help Desk/support contacts
QUESTIONS