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Case Planning

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Learning Objectives

- Explain the role of comprehensive assessments in identifying individual needs and risks, and how these assessments inform the development of effective case plans.
- Learn strategies for exploring and enhancing client motivation, ensuring that case plans are client-centered and increase the likelihood of adherence and success.
- Gain skills in creating case plans that are adaptable to changing circumstances and needs, ensuring they remain relevant and effective throughout the supervision period.





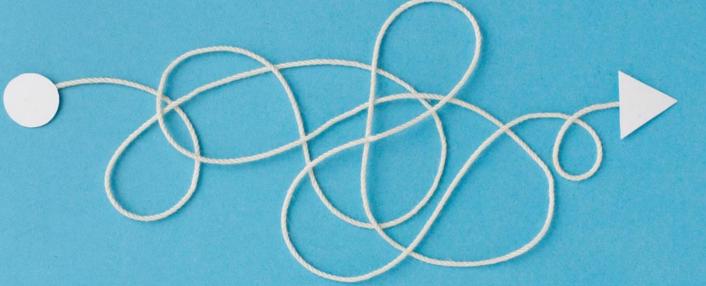
Why is Change so Hard?

- Habits
- Comfort
- Social influences
- Psychological issues
- Immediacy and rewards
- Intrinsic versus extrinsic motivation
- Discipline
- Action



What We Need?

- Direction
- Incremental steps
- Rewards
- Timeline
- Safety net
- Accountability





Risk and Needs

High Risk

- Risk for recidivism
- Criminal thinking
- Risk for harm

High Needs

- Substance issues
- Mental health needs
- Instability



What to Target?

- Motivation
- Risk
- Connection
- Easy win
- Proximal versus distal



Proximal Prosocial Behaviors

- Behaviors, habits or skills the client already possesses that aid in achieving pro-social goals
- Relatively easy for the client
- Do not need as much focus or response

Examples of proximal prosocial behaviors might include: meeting basic requirements like attending meetings, treatment sessions, or submitting UA's.



Proximal Pro-Criminal Behaviors

- Habits or skills that a client uses for criminal purposes
- Habits or skills that result in behaviors that lead to recidivism
- Willful non-compliance
- Not as a result of needs, lack of resources/skills
- Need quick attention and meaningful responses for deterrence

Examples of proximal pro-criminal behaviors might include: dishonesty, falsifying or missing UA's, intermittent substance use, refusing to find employment, not attending probation meetings or treatment, and new criminal behavior.

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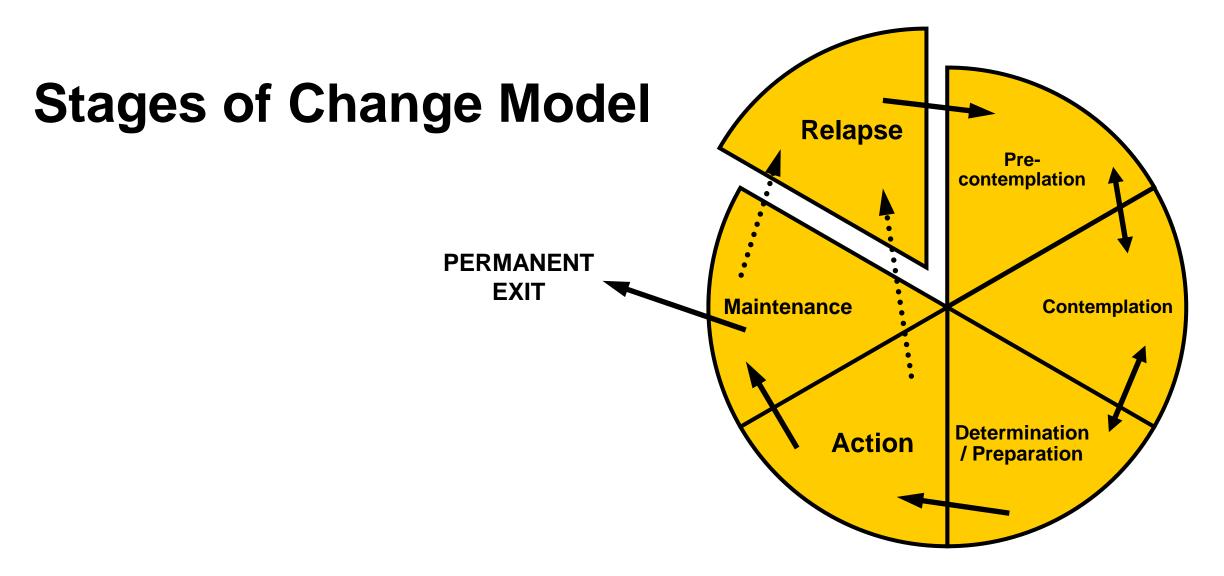


Distal Behaviors

- Difficult for the client, requires effort
- Has not yet achieved
- Developing and need support
- Involves multiple layers of learning/change







Prochaska & DiClemente (1986)



Using the Reward System

- Structure
- Relationship
- Skill-building
- Motivation
- Contingencies





Incentives and Sanctions

- Magnitude
- Meaning
- Immediacy
- In service of change
- Ratio
- Motivation vs Skills
- Therapeutic consequences





Steps to Get Started

- Identify the target
- Develop productive discomfort
- Explore ambivalence
- Utilize friction
- Get client to argue for change
- Use rewards
- Celebrate successes





Prioritizing



Questions to Consider

- "What would you like to accomplish in the next month?"
- "What are some things that are getting in the way of you being successful on probation?"
- "What are the top three things that you would like support with?"





Getting Specific

- "What specifically do you want to have happen?"
- "You've identified something that's really important. If we had to break it down, what might be a small goal you would be willing to work towards?"
- "How might we phrase this so we can write it down?"





Example 1:

GOAL: Enroll in addiction treatment STEPS:

- 1. Call treatment provider by xx date to schedule an intake
- 2. Arrange transportation to intake (ideas – call PO for bus pass, ask friend)
- 3. Complete intake by xx and call PO to inform of completion and start date for group



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Example 2:

GOAL: Take the GED test six weeks from today STEPS: Between now and my next meeting with my PO, I will:

- 1. Call the GED prep-class today using the information my PO has given me
- 2. Enroll in the GED prep-class by the end of this week
- 3. Tell my sister that I am taking the test so she can watch my kids
- 4. Tell my friend Jamie that I am taking the test so she can help me because she has already taken it



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Service Planning

- Partnership
- Dynamic document
- SMART
- Current
- Flexible
- Proximal versus distal behaviors



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