

4.7 Identification team competencies.

Review and revise minimum team competencies. A work group of SIA composed of professionals regularly engaged in identification of ASD and senior program administrators reviews and revises OCASD's previously identified team competencies as necessary.

Engage licensing agencies to react to/promote competencies. OCASD leadership works with the governor's office to elicit licensing agency participation. SIA collaborates with licensing agencies in further review and tailoring of competencies for their licensees. SIA also helps licensing boards to craft guidance and/or administrative rules for their licensees.

Explore mechanisms to ensure that identification teams possess competencies. SIA works with state agencies to determine how to increase availability of psychologists (clinical, school) and other professionals in short supply in various locations within the state, e.g., through telemedicine, Oregon Department of Education/Oregon Health Authority psychologist pool, or a "dating service" that matches community professionals with agencies and institutional providers needing additional expertise. The work group explores potential mechanisms to ensure that identification teams possess required competencies.