

**WAC 388-60B-0420 Minimum treatment periods and requirements—How must a program determine the treatment period for each participant?**

(1) The minimum treatment period is the time required for the participant to fulfill all conditions of treatment set by the treatment program as indicated in the participant's contract and their treatment plan.

(2) Satisfactory completion of treatment must not be based solely on the client participating in the treatment program for a certain period of time or attending a certain number of sessions.

(3) In addition to meeting the participant's goals and objectives as outlined in their treatment plan, the program must require each participant to satisfy all treatment program requirements for:

(a) A minimum of six months of consecutive weekly same gender group sessions for level one treatment;

(b) A minimum of nine months of consecutive weekly same gender group sessions for level two treatment;

(c) A minimum of twelve months of consecutive weekly same gender group, individual, or a combination of group and individual sessions for level three treatment; or

(d) A minimum of eighteen months of consecutive weekly same gender group, individual, or a combination of group and individual sessions for level four treatment.

(4) Any breaks in treatment must be reasonable, justified, and follow the program's policies.

(a) A break in treatment cannot exceed thirty days, unless it is approved by the program's supervisor, and the reason for the decision is documented in the participant's file;

(b) A break in treatment may include conditions the participant must meet during the break in order to maintain a compliant status, such as assignments or check-ins which must be documented in the participant's file, and the participant must receive a copy of the conditions; and

(c) A break in treatment must be reported to the referral source unless they have opted out of receiving notification of breaks in treatment which must be documented in the participant's file.

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