

Agenda Item 12:

Training Site Severity and Revisions to Scoring Methodology for Criterion 1.1

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Background

- At the June 2020 policy meeting, the Commission decided to collect only continuity clinic information, rather than all training sites.
 - Beginning in 2021, 80% of programs will only report one training site.
- Two scoring criteria involve training sites.
 - Criterion 1.1: Percent and number of clinical training sites in areas of unmet need (AUN). With the upcoming change:
 - Number of training sites in AUN will be either 0 or 1.
 - Percent of training sites in AUN will be either 0% or 100%.
 - Criterion 2.4: Describe the training sites payer mix (continuity clinics).
 - No change.

Objectives

- Present the Commission with initial considerations for scoring criterion 1.1 with the new data.
- Gather feedback to incorporate into a detailed final scoring rubric to present at the January RN funding meeting.

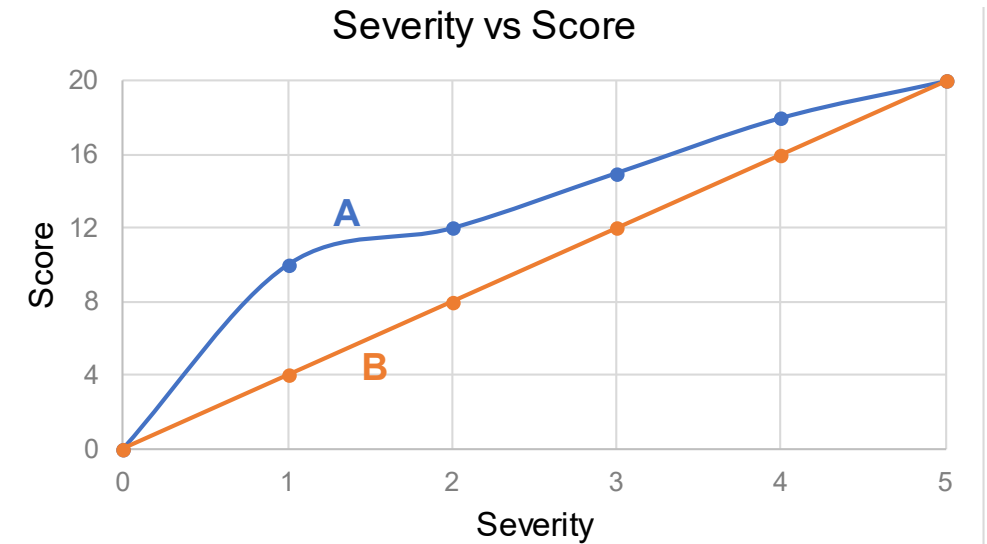
Differentiating Between Training Sites

- Based on previous data, OSHPD expects 80 percent of applicants to report only one training site.
- Scoring rubric needs to differentiate between programs that report only one training site.
 - Commission could integrate severity into criterion 1.1.

Severity Overview

- Assign each applicant's training site a severity level.
- Assign each severity level a score.

Severity Level	Scoring Rubric A	Scoring Rubric B
0 (None)	0	0
1 (Low)	10	4
2	12	8
3	15	12
4	18	16
5 (High)	20	20



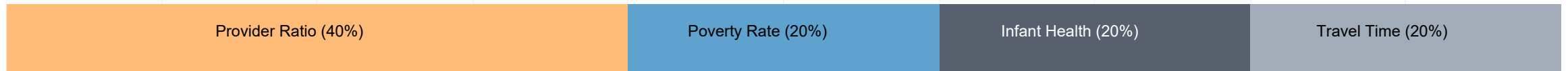
Rubric A would treat low severity as much more desirable than no severity.
Rubric B would space scoring equally between every severity level.

Assigning Severity Levels to Training Sites

- Areas of unmet need
 - Many of the Commission's AUN designations have built-in measures of severity, which also integrate with ongoing outcome measures.
- The Commission considers a training site to be in an AUN when:
 - It is located in a geographic area designation, *or*
 - It is a specific type of facility ("site designation").

AUN: Geographic Areas

- Geographic designations have an associated score.
 - Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) scores range from 1 to 25.
 - Federally-defined provider ratios.



- Primary Care Shortage Area (PCSA) scores range from 5 to 10.
 - Commission-defined provider ratios.



AUN: Site Designations

- Government owned facility
- County primary care clinic
- Indian health services clinic (IHSC)
- Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)/Look-a-like (LAL)
- Community health centers
- Student run clinic
- Free clinic
- Disproportionate share hospital
- Rural hospital
- Teaching hospital

Some have associated scores (FQHC/LAL, IHSC), but most do not.

Aligning AUN on a Common Scale

Severity	HPSA	PCSA	Site Designation
0	No	No	No
1	1 - 5	5	?
2	6 - 9	6	
3	10 - 13	7	
4	14 - 17	8	
5	18+	9+	

Options

- Assign each site designation type a severity level.
- Assign them all the same severity level.

Applicants with Multiple Training Sites

- Based on previous data, OSHPD expects 20% of applicants to report multiple training sites.
 - Programs may distribute residents amongst multiple clinics
 - Commission could ask for only the most used site, *or*
 - Weight training sites by the number of hours spent at each site.
 - Calculation like the training site severity index (TSSI) presented at the June 2020 policy meeting.

Applicant	Severity: Hours in each level						Total Hours
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
A				20	10		30
B	70	10		20			100

Calculation

Severity

$$(20 \times 3) + (10 \times 4) / 30 = 3.3$$

$$(70 \times 0) + (10 \times 1) + (20 \times 3) / 100 = 1.4$$

Summary

- The change to training site data collection may necessitate a new scoring rubric for criterion 1.1.
- Severity provides a way to differentiate between two training sites that are both in an AUN.
- Using severity metrics within existing designations is more compatible with published outcome measures.
 - Commission may wish to measure all AUN criteria the same way and integrate graduate severity into criterion 1.3 to:
 - Reduce scoring complexity.
 - Increase comprehension for applicants, sustainability for OSHPD.

Commission Guidance

- Does the Commission want to pursue integrating severity into criteria 1.1 and 1.3?
- Does the Commission want to form a subcommittee to decide the details of the implementation?
 - Severity of site designations.
 - Applicants reporting multiple sites.
 - Scoring rubric.
- If not, how does the Commission want to score training sites in future application cycles?

Potential Timeline

- Now-December 2020: Subcommittee meets.
- January 2021 RN Funding Meeting: OSHPD staff presents final subcommittee recommendation.
- April 2021 PCR Application Cycle: Application includes new training site severity