



Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health 2022-2023 5150 Initial Certification/Re-Certification Post Test

CERTIFICATION/RE-CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR FRESNO COUNTY:

Initial 5150 certification testing of all eligible professionals within Fresno County must be proctored by a facilitator from FCMHP Managed Care office, either following a County facilitated training or by having the individual come to the Managed Care office (1925 E. Dakota Ave., Fresno CA 93726). Only posttests for recertification purposes may be proctored and submitted by the program's site coordinator or DBH clinical supervisor and may be faxed to (559)455-4633. Please contact the Managed Care office at (559)600-4645 for further information.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

My signature on this document indicates that I have received certification/recertification instruction and have completed the required testing for proper W&I 5150 placement procedures. **I acknowledge and accept the responsibilities of this certification**, as set forth by the Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health and the California State Welfare and Institutions Code.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name/Licensure: _____ License # (Not NPI): _____

Agency/Program: _____ Site Coordinator: _____

PART I: For initial certification and re-certification: Multiple Choice: Select a single response that best completes each statement. (Passing score for Multiple Choice section is 80%)

- 1) Having obtained the 5150 certifications from Fresno County, you have the authority to place a person on hold when you are present at any designated LPS facility in Fresno.
 - A. True
 - B. False

- 2) Reading the detainment advisement to a person is optional when placing them on a 5150 hold, especially if they have been placed on a hold earlier that day.
 - A. True
 - B. False

- 3) When completing the historical course section of a person's mental disorder on the application, selecting 'No information available...' requires you to:
 - A. Include grave disability in your final assessment.
 - B. Delay completion of the DHCS 1801 application until medical records are accessible.
 - C. Provide a reason for the lack of access or availability of information.

- 4) The term "danger" and "mental illness" is NOT clearly defined in the Welfare & Institution Codes.
 - A. True
 - B. False

- 5) When evaluating an individual for a 72-hour hold, if the decision is made not to proceed with involuntary detainment:
 - A. The person may exclusively be discharged to a family member in accordance with WIC 5150.3.
 - B. The 5150 designees (writer) must provide alternative voluntary services as outlined in WIC 5150.3.
 - C. The person is still required to be transported to the emergency room as per HSC 1799.111.

- 6)** If the criteria for a Tarasoff are met, the clinician has a duty to protect the potential victim by informing law enforcement.
- A. True
 - B. False
- 7)** What conditions must designate personnel believe exist to justify placing an individual on an involuntary hold due to a mental health disorder?
- A. The person being a criminal; the person being homeless; the person having insurance.
 - B. Inability to sleep; feeling sick; being angry or hostile towards a writer.
 - C. Danger to self; danger to others; gravely disabled.
- 8)** What is the implication for an individual detained under Health & Safety Code 1799.111 in an emergency room?
- A. They are there for medical reasons, unrelated to mental health concerns.
 - B. They are ineligible for a subsequent 72-hour (5150) hold.
 - C. Shall be credited for the time detained up to 24 hours when placed on a 5150 hold.
- 9)** If a person is placed on a 5150 hold, the hold may be lifted before the entire 72 hours have expired.
- A. True
 - B. False
- 10)** Which of the following would meet criteria for a 5150 hold
- A. Someone who is sleeping on the street.
 - B. Someone who is going 80 MPH on the highway for trill.
 - C. Someone who is voluntarily requesting help.
 - D. None of the above
- 11)** Per AB 2099, regarding the transfer of a person under involuntary psychiatric hold for evaluation or treatment:
- A. The original copy with your wet signature must accompany the person at every placement.
 - B. The copy of the 5150 applications must accurately identify the facility where the person is being sent.
 - C. A copy of the 5150 application is considered equivalent to the original for transportation purposes.
- 12)** AB3242 now allows examinations or assessments under W&I Code Sections 5150 and 5151 to be conducted via telehealth or in person.
- A. True
 - B. False