



6 KEY CHARACTERISTICS OF THE TCOM TOOLS

<p>An Information Science Approach</p> 	<p>Items are included because they are relevant to supporting decisions for individuals.</p>	<p>Planning</p> <p>01</p>
	<p>Level of need or strength translates to action. Provides a way to gauge the immediacy/intensity of effort currently needed.</p>	<p>Action Levels</p> <p>02</p>
	<p>Items are rated within a 30-day window. This helps to keep the assessments current. Action levels can override the 30-day window.</p>	<p>Timely</p> <p>03</p>
<p>04</p> <p>Client Focus</p> <p>It's about the individual, not the individual in services. Focuses on the extent to which the individual can function without services or intervention.</p>		
<p>05</p> <p>The "What"</p> <p>In assessment, focuses on what the individual's needs. Avoids explaining away needs with what might be underlying causes. The "why" is brought in to treatment planning.</p>	<p>A Shared Vision Approach</p>	
<p>06</p> <p>Culture and Development</p> <p>Development and culture are considered before rating the items.</p>		