



UPDATES ON SIS-interRAI

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Why is this happening?

- ▶ During research completed through the Hope and Opportunities in Many Environments (HOME) project, Iowans expressed a desire to have a more uniform assessment across the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers.
- ▶ **Supports Intensity Scale (SIS)**, will be discontinued on **December 31, 2024**.
- ▶ Iowa HHS will begin using assessment tools developed by interRAI effective January 1, 2025.

What is the interRAI assessment tool?

- ▶ interRAI assessment tools are used to learn about people's needs and well-being.
- ▶ These tools are used to
 - ▶ Determine if individuals meet the clinical eligibility for the waiver.
 - ▶ Guide the planning for services and supports.
- ▶ These tools are proven to work well for people using home and community-based services .

New Assessment Tools by Age Group

► *Assessment tools are specific to different age groups*

Ages 0-3

No changes.
Will continue
using Case
Management
Comprehensive
Functional
Assessment Tool

Ages 4-18

Will use the
interRAI
Children and
Youth Mental
Health
Assessment –
Developmental
Disabilities.

Ages 19+

Will use the
interRAI
Intellectual
Disability
Assessment.



Questions

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