



## Case Plan – DHSSSP Job Aid

The *Plans* screen allows users to document and update Case Plans for the Participant and Household.

### Case Plan Screen

▼ Case Plan for November

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Plan Summary

Plan Name

Strengths

Client

-Select-

▼

Strength

-Select-

▼

+

Needs

Client

-Select-

▼

Needs/Description

-Select-

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Goals & Action Steps

Plan Acceptance

Print Case Plan

### Navigation

- Bring the Case into focus and navigate to 


▼ Tracking

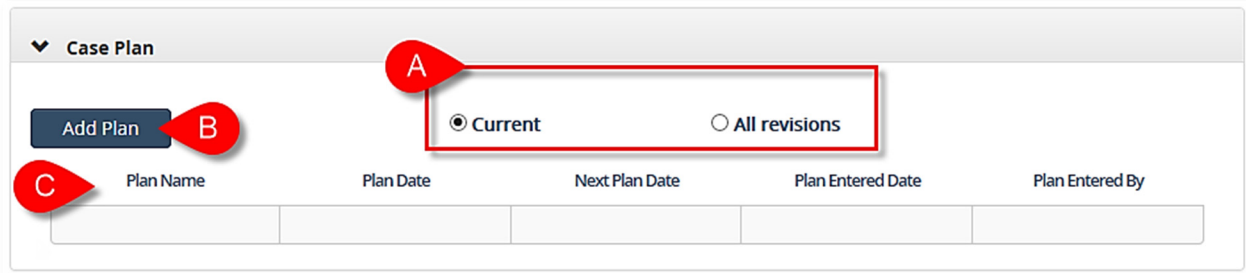
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## Case Plan List screen

- The  pane contains a list of the current and prior Plans.



- The list will default to the most *Current* Case Plan. To view both the most recent and all previous Case Plans (Revisions) select the ☐ *All Revisions* radio button.
- To add a new plan, click .
- The *Case Plan* grid contains basic information about the documented Plans including the *Plan Name*, *Plan Date* – the date on which the Plan is scheduled to occur, *Next Plan Date* – the date that the user entered the Plan into Synergy, and *Plan Entered By* which indicates which user created the Plan.

## Case Plan Overview

- Buttons and drop-downs in the *Plan* screen:
  - Edit  : Clicking on this button allows the user to edit information in that section.
  - Import  : Clicking on this button allows the user to import Strengths or Needs from the latest Assessment into the Plan.
  - Add  : Clicking on this button allows the user to add a Strength or a Need manually to the Plan.
  - View  : Clicking on this button allows the user to view a list of the Strengths or Needs that have already been added to the Plan.
  - Deactivated individuals: If an individual has been deactivated on the Case they may still appear in some drop-downs with double asterisks. Example: **\*\*Jane Doe\*\***  
Remember that individuals can be Activated again on the *Household* screen.



- f. Greyed out individuals in drop-downs: If an individual's name appears in a drop-down as greyed out that individual cannot be selected in that drop-down.

2. Requirements by section:

- a. *Plan Summary*: This section must be edited and saved before the user can move on to the next screen.  
A green checkmark will appear in this section when it is completed.
- b. *Strengths*: At least one Strength must be documented on the Plan.  
A green checkmark will appear in this section when at least one Strength has been documented.
- c. *Needs*: At least one Need must be documented on the Plan.  
A green checkmark will appear in this section when at least one Need has been documented.
- d. *Goals & Action Steps*: There must be at least one Outcome/Goal and one Action Step documented on the Plan. Each Outcome/Goal must have at least one Need associated with it.  
A green checkmark will appear in this section when at least one Outcome/Goal has been documented.
- e. *Plan Acceptance*: In order to Finalize or Request Approval for a Plan the requirements for *Plan Summary*, *Strengths*, *Needs*, and *Goals & Action Steps* must be met. If any requirements have been missed that information will appear in red text when the user attempts to Finalize or Request Approval.

### Plan Summary section

1. *Plan Summary*: This section must be edited and saved before the user can move on to the next screen.

**Plan Summary**



Plan Name





- a. Click the Edit button  to open up the *Plan Summary* pop-up.



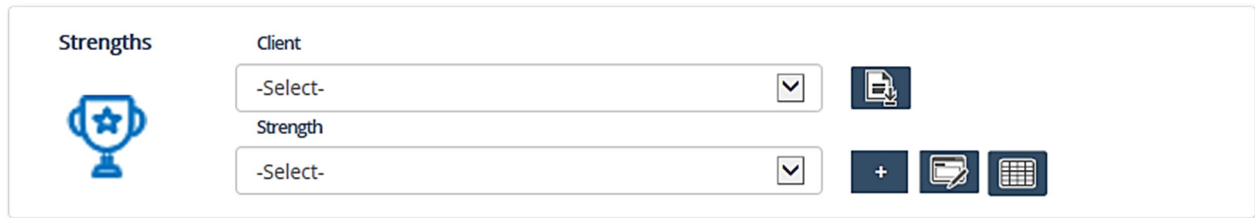
## 2. *Plan Summary* pop-up:


The screenshot shows a 'Plan Summary' pop-up form. It contains three text input fields at the top: 'Plan Name \*' (callout A), 'Plan Date \*' (callout B), and 'Next Plan Date \*' (callout C). Below these is a dropdown menu for 'Is this individual currently in stabilization? \*' (callout D) with a '-Select-' option and a checkmark icon. Underneath is a large text area for 'Vision' (callout E) with a magnifying glass icon. At the bottom are two buttons: 'Save' (callout F) and 'Cancel' (callout G).

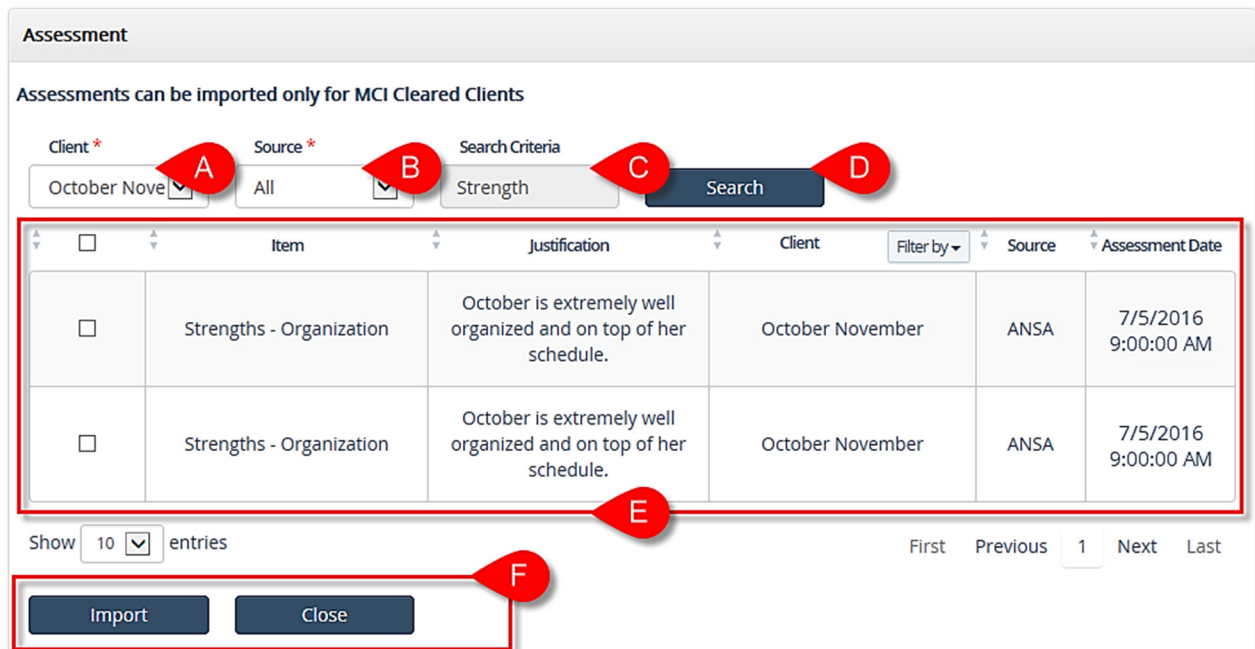
- a. *Plan Name*: Enter a name for the Plan here. The *Plan Name* is displayed in the *Case Plan* list screen grid and can allow the user to quickly identify which Plan to select for viewing or editing.
- b. *Plan Date*: Enter the date that the Plan is to occur.
- c. *Next Plan Date*: Synergy automatically calculates a date that is one year after the Plan Date. The Next Plan Date can be edited if necessary.
- d. *Is this individual currently in stabilization?*: Select "Yes" or "No" from the drop-down.
- e. *Vision*: If applicable, document the plan Vision in this textbox.
- f. Click  to save the information entered or edited and close the pop-up.
- g. Clicking  will close the pop-up without saving any of the information entered or edited.


## Strengths section

1. *Strengths*: At least one Strength must be documented on the Plan.



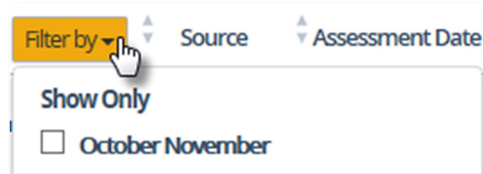
2. Importing Strengths: Select the Participant from the *Client* drop-down and Click the Import button  to open the *Assessment* pop-up:



- a. *Client*: This drop-down defaults to the individual selected in the *Strengths – Client* drop-down but another individual or “All” can be selected from the drop-down instead.
- b. *Source*: This drop-down defaults to “All” but a specific Assessment type can be selected from the drop-down instead.
- c. *Search Criteria*: This field defaults to Strengths and is not editable.
- d. Click  to search for documented Strengths using the criteria selected.



- e. The *Search Results* grid will include Strengths from Assessments that have been completed within the last 8 months.
  - i. If “All” was selected in the *Client* drop-down the *Search Results* can be filtered to a specific individual or individuals using the *Filter By* MultiSelect drop-down.



- ii. To select a Strength for import, check the checkbox to the left of the *Item* in the *Search Results* grid.
  - iii. To select all of the Strengths for import, check the checkbox above the first column in the *Search Results* grid.
- f. Click **Import** to import the selected Strengths into the Plan.  
Clicking **Close** will close the *Assessment* pop-up without importing any of the Strengths.

3. Adding a new Strength: In the *Strengths - Clients* drop-down select an individual to document a Strength for. Then click the Add button **+** to open a new *Strength* pop-up:

- a. *Strength*: Document the Strength in this textbox.
- b. *Client*: The individual selected in the *Strengths - Client* drop-down will automatically be entered here and cannot be changed.
- c. Click **Save Strength** to save the Strength and close the pop-up.
- d. Clicking **Close** will close the pop-up without saving the information entered or edited.



#### 4. Editing a Strength:



- In the *Strengths - Client* drop-down select the desired individual. That individual's documented Strengths will appear in the *Strength* drop-down.
- Strength*: Select the Strength to edit from this drop-down.
- Click the Edit button to open the Strength pop-up for editing.  
Click **Save Strength** to save the edited information and close the pop-up.  
Clicking **Close** will close the pop-up without saving the information entered or edited.

#### 5. Viewing the Strengths list: click the View button to open the *View Strengths* pop-up.

Strength	Client
October is extremely well organized and on top of her schedule.	October November
October has a supportive family.	October November

- Search within Strengths*: This field can be used to search for any word or phrase within the *Strengths* grid.



- b. To delete a Strength, move the mouse over that Strength's line in the grid. A delete icon [  ] will appear to the right of the grid. Clicking on the delete icon [  ] will open a *Confirm Delete* pop-up.

**Confirm Delete**

Clicking on "Yes" button will delete this record.  
Would you like to proceed?

Clicking  will delete the Strength. Clicking  will close the pop-up without deleting the Strength.


- c. Clicking  will close the *View Strengths* pop-up.






## Needs section

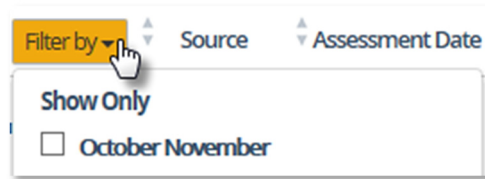
1. **Needs:** At least one Need must be documented on the Plan.

2. **Importing Needs:** Select the Participant from the *Client* drop-down and Click the Import button  to open the *Assessment* pop-up:

- a. **Client:** This drop-down defaults to the individual selected in the *Needs – Client* drop-down but another individual or “All” can be selected from the drop-down instead.
- b. **Source:** This drop-down defaults to “All” but a specific Assessment type can be selected from the drop-down instead.
- c. **Search Criteria:** This field defaults to Needs and is not editable.
- d. Click  to search for documented Needs using the criteria selected.




- e. The *Search Results* grid will include Needs from Assessments that have been completed within the last 8 months.
  - i. If “All” was selected in the *Client* drop-down the *Search Results* can be filtered to a specific individual or individuals using the *Filter By* MultiSelect drop-down.





- ii. To select a Need for import, check the checkbox to the left of the *Item* in the *Search Results* grid.
  - iii. To select all of the Needs for import, check the checkbox above the checkbox column in the *Search Results* grid.
- f. Click **Import** to import the selected Needs into the Plan.  
Clicking **Close** will close the *Assessment* pop-up without importing any of the Needs.



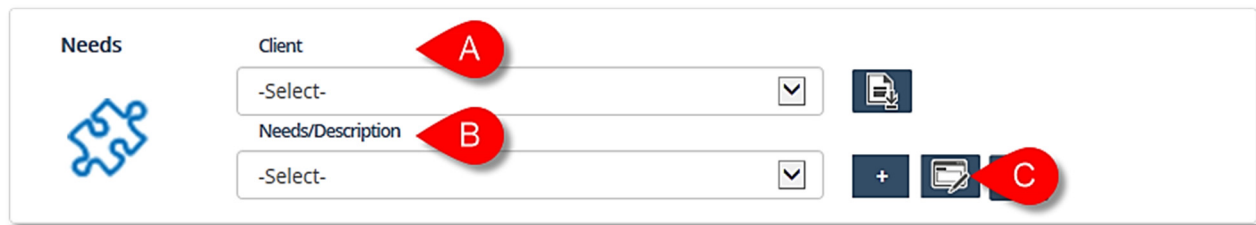
3. Adding a new Need: In the *Clients* drop-down select an individual to document a Need for. Then click the Add button  to open a new *Needs/Description* pop-up:

The screenshot shows a 'Needs/Description' pop-up form. It contains the following fields and controls, each marked with a red callout letter:




- A:** 'Needs/Description \*' text input field.
- B:** 'Client \*' dropdown menu showing 'October November'.
- C:** 'Needs/Justification' text input field.
- D:** 'Date Identified' text input field.
- E:** 'Status \*' dropdown menu showing '-Select-'.
- F:** 'Start Date' text input field.
- G:** 'End Date' text input field.
- H:** 'Save Need' button.
- I:** 'Close' button.

- Need/Description*: Document the Need in this textbox.
- Client*: The individual selected in the *Needs – Client* drop-down will automatically be entered here and cannot be changed.
- Needs/Justification*: The Justification on an imported need will appear here and will not be editable. This textbox will be blank on newly created Needs.
- Date Identified*: The date of the Assessment on an imported need will appear here and will not be editable. This field will be blank on newly created Needs.
- Status*: Select the Status of the Need from the drop-down.
- Start Date*: If applicable enter a Start Date for the Need.
- End Date*: If applicable enter an End Date for the Need.
- Click  to save the Need and close the pop-up.
- Clicking  will close the pop-up without saving the information entered or edited.

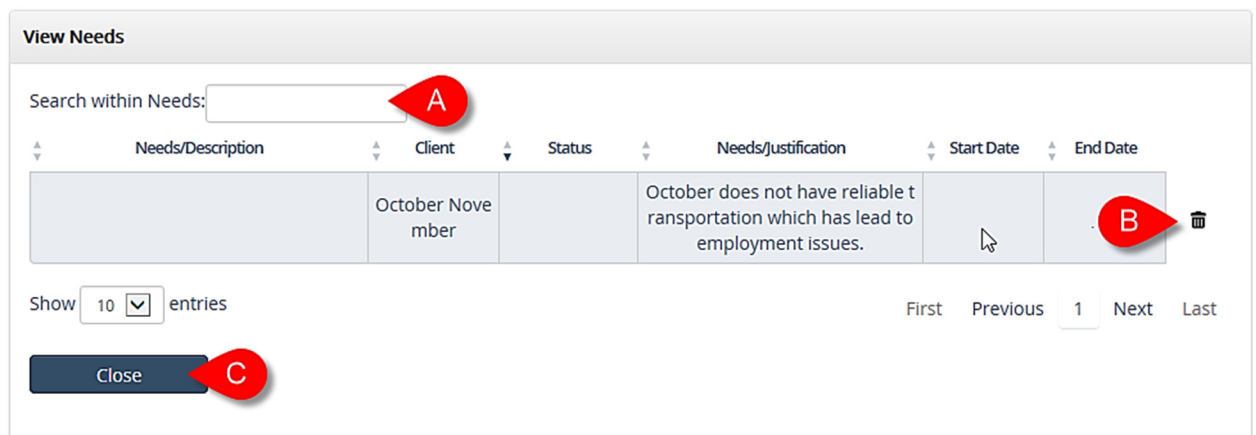
#### 4. Editing a Need:



The screenshot shows the 'Needs' form. Callout A points to the 'Client' dropdown menu. Callout B points to the 'Needs/Description' dropdown menu. Callout C points to the 'Edit' button (pencil icon).

- In the *Client* drop-down select the desired individual. That individual's documented Needs will appear in the *Needs/Description* drop-down.
- Needs/Description*: Select the Need to edit from this drop-down.
- Click the Edit button  to open the *Needs/Description* pop-up for editing.  
Click  to save the edited information and close the pop-up.  
Clicking  will close the pop-up without saving the information entered or edited.

#### 5. Viewing the Needs list: click the View button to open the *View Needs* pop-up.



The screenshot shows the 'View Needs' pop-up. Callout A points to the 'Search within Needs:' text box. Callout B points to the 'End Date' column header. Callout C points to the 'Close' button.

Needs/Description	Client	Status	Needs/Justification	Start Date	End Date
	October November		October does not have reliable transportation which has lead to employment issues.		



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Close

- Search within Needs*: This field can be used to search for any word or phrase within the Needs grid.



- b. To delete a Need, move the mouse over that Need's line in the grid. A delete icon [  ] will appear to the right of the grid. Clicking on the delete icon [  ] will open a *Confirm Delete* pop-up.

**Confirm Delete**

Clicking on "Yes" button will delete this record.  
Would you like to proceed?


Clicking  will delete the Need. Clicking  will close the pop-up without deleting the Need.

- c. Clicking  will close the *View Needs* pop-up.

## Goals & Action Steps section

1. Click on *Goals and Action Steps* to open the  and  sub-panes.


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Exit this Section 

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Desired Outcomes/Goals

Desired Outcome/Goal	Desired Domain	Applies To	Needs	Strengths	Status

Add Outcome/Goal 

Action Steps 

Action Required	Goals	Responsible Person	Status	Target Date

Add Action Step

- a. Clicking  will return the user to the *Plan* screen. Any unsaved information will be lost.
- b. Click  to document a new Outcome/Goal.
- c. The  sub-pane is connected to the Outcome/Goal selected in the *Desired Outcomes/Goals* grid.



2. Adding an Outcome/Goal: Click **Add Outcome/Goal** to document a new Outcome/Goal:

**Case Plan for November** **Exit this Section** **Plan Version : Intial(Draft)**

**Desired Outcomes/Goals**

Desired Outcome/Goal	Desired Domain	Applies To	Needs	Strengths	Status
<div>Desired Outcome/Goal * <b>A</b></div> <div>Applies To * <b>B</b> None selected ▾</div> <div>Desired Domain * <b>C</b> -Select- ▾</div> <div>Status * <b>D</b> -Select- ▾</div> <div>Strengths <b>E</b> None selected ▾</div> <div>Needs <b>F</b> None selected ▾</div> <div><b>Save Outcome</b> <b>G</b></div>					

**Action Steps**

Action Required	Goals	Responsible Person	Status	Target Date
<div>Add Action Step</div>				

- Desired Outcome/Goal*: Document the Desired Outcome/Goal in this textbox.
- Applies To*: Select the individual or individuals to whom this goal applies from the MultiSelect drop-down.  
When more than one individual is selected the Outcome/Goal will be saved separately in the *Desired Outcomes/Goals* grid with a copy for each individual selected here.

Desired Outcome/Goal	Desired Domain	Applies To	Needs	Strengths	Status
Find more reliable transportation.	Transportation	October November	October November (Self) (5/5/2016) - October is in...		In Progress
Find more reliable transportation.	Transportation	January November	October November (Self) (5/5/2016) - October is in...		In Progress



- c. *Desired Domain*: Select the applicable Domain from this drop-down.
- d. *Status*: Select the Status of this Outcome/Goal from the drop-down.
- e. *Strengths*: Select the Strength or Strengths that apply to this Outcome/Goal from the MultiSelect drop-down.
- f. *Needs*: Select the Need or Needs that apply to this Outcome/Goal from the MultiSelect drop-down. The Plan cannot be finalized unless each Outcome/Goal has at least one Need selected.
- g. Click **Save Outcome** to save the information entered.

3. Adding an Action Step: Click on an Outcome/Goal in the *Desired Outcome/Goal* grid to document Action Step(s) for that Outcome/Goal. Once the Outcome/Goal is selected, click **Add Action Step** in the **Action Steps** sub-pane.

The screenshot shows the 'Action Steps' sub-pane with the following fields and callouts:

- Action Required \***: A text input field with a red callout letter **A**.
- Responsible Person \***: A dropdown menu with '-Select-' and a red callout letter **B**.
- Target Date \***: A date input field with a red callout letter **C**.
- Completion Date**: A date input field with a red callout letter **D**.
- Status \***: A dropdown menu with '-Select-' and a red callout letter **E**.
- Desired Outcome/Goal\***: A dropdown menu with 'All selected' and a red callout letter **F**.
- Notes**: A text input field with a red callout letter **G**.
- Save Action Step**: A blue button with a red callout letter **H**.

- a. *Action Required*: Document the Action Step in this textbox.
- b. *Responsible Person*: Select the individual responsible for completing this Action Step from the drop-down. Note that the provider will also appear as an option.
- c. *Target Date*: Enter a Target Date for completion of this Action Step.



- d. **Completion Date:** If this Action Step has been completed enter the date of completion.
- e. **Status:** Select the Status of this Action Step from the drop-down.
- f. **Desired Outcome/Goal:** Select an Outcome or Outcomes to which this Action Step should be added using the MultiSelect drop-down. If more than one Outcome/Goal is selected the Action Step will be copied to each of the selected Outcome/Goal's Action Step lists.
- g. **Notes:** If applicable enter notes regarding this Action Step. The Notes will not be displayed when the Plan is printed.
- h. Click **Save Action Step** to save the information entered.

4. Searching within grids and deleting Outcomes/Goals or Action Steps:

▼ **Desired Outcomes/Goals**

Search within Outcomes:

Desired Outcome/Goal	Desired Domain	Applies To	Needs	Strengths	Status	
Find more reliable transportation for work.	Transportation	October November	October November (Self) (5/5/2016) - October is in...		In Progress	
Locate more stable housing.	Housing/Affordable Housing	October November	October November (Self) (5/5/2016) - October is in...	October November (Self) (5/5/2016) - October is ve...	In Progress	

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▼ **Action Steps**

Search within Action Steps:

Action Required	Goals	Responsible Person	Status	Target Date	
Help October obtain a bus pass.	October November (Self) (5/5/2016) - Locate more s...	Jane Smith	In Progress	7/29/2016	



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- a. **Search within:** This field can be used to search for any word or phrase within the grid.





- b. To delete an Outcome/Goal or Action Step, move the mouse over that item's line in the *Desired Outcomes/Goals* grid or the *Action Steps* grid. A delete icon [  ] will appear to the right of the grid. Clicking on the delete icon [  ] will open a *Confirm Delete* pop-up.

**Confirm Delete**

Clicking on "Yes" button will delete this record.  
Would you like to proceed?

Clicking  will delete the item. Clicking  will close the pop-up without deleting the item.


5. Click  at the top of the  pane to return to the main *Plan* screen.


## Plan Acceptance


1. Click on the *Plan Acceptance* section on the *Plan* screen to open the  pane.


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**Plan Acceptance**


Plan Accepted by Client 

Client 

Date Accepted By Client 

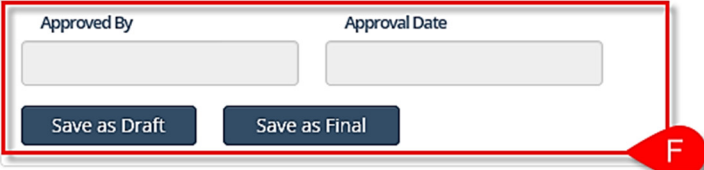
Prepared By \* 

☐ Send for supervisor approval

Supervisor 






Approved By


Approval Date

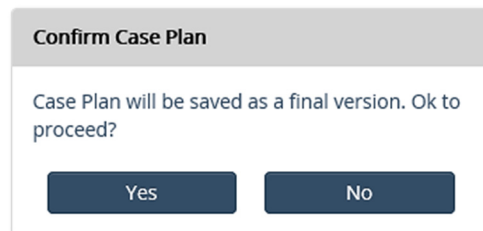





- a. *Plan Accepted by Client*: Select "Yes" or "No" from the drop-down.
- b. *Client*: Select the Participant from the drop-down.
- c. *Date Accepted By Client*: If the Participant has accepted the Plan enter the date on which the Participant accepted the plan.



- d. *Prepared By*: The name of the user who entered the Plan will be displayed here.
- e. *Send for supervisor approval* and *Supervisor*: If supervisory approval is required by your program this will be displayed.
- i. Check the ☒ *Send for supervisor approval* checkbox to enable the *Supervisor* drop-down.
  - ii. Select the Supervisor to whom the plan will be sent. Click  to send the Plan for approval.
- f.  and  :
- i. Use  to save the Plan without finalizing or sending for approval.
  - ii. Use  to finalize the Plan or send the Plan for approval.
  - iii. *Approved By*: If an approval is required this will display the name of the approving worker. If an approval is not required, this will display the name of the user who finalized the plan.
  - iv. *Approval Date*: If an approval is required this will display the date of approval. If an approval is not required, this will display the date the Plan was finalized.

2. Finalizing the Plan: When  is clicked the *Confirm Case Plan* pop-up will appear:



- a. Clicking  will finalize the Plan.
  - b. Clicking  will close the pop-up without finalizing the Plan.
3. Approvals and Rejections: Once submitted for approval the Supervisor will be able to view the Plan by accessing it from their  pane on their Dashboard.
- a. Clicking on the *Plan Name* will navigate the Supervisor to the Plan. After reviewing the Plan, the Supervisor can either Approve or Reject the plan from the *Plan Acceptance* screen.
  - b. If the Plan was rejected the worker will be able to view the reason for rejection on the *Plan Acceptance* screen.



## Revising the Plan

1. Once a Plan has been Finalized/Approved revisions of the initial plan can be made.

2. Navigate to → .

3. From the pane:

Case Plan

☒ Current ☐ All revisions

Search within Case Plan:

Plan Name	Plan Date	Next Plan Date	Plan Entered Date	Plan Entered By
<a href="#">Initial Plan</a>	07/25/2016	07/25/2017	07/25/2017	

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a. Select the Plan to revise from the *Case Plans* grid.

i. Click from above the *Case Plans* grid.

b. The screen refresh and will appear below the *Case Plans* grid.

i. Click to open the Plans screen to create a new Revision of the Plan. Information from the previous Plan will carry over to the new Plan.

## For more information...

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