#### SECTION 3003 - ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED

### SUMMARY STATEMENT:

A comprehensive assessment shall be conducted within 45 calendar days of the acceptance of the referral and documented in the electronic data system.

### BASIC CONSIDERATIONS

The assessment determines the level of endangerment, current supports, client comprehension of risk for further maltreatment and his/her willingness to accept assistance.

The Assessment tool, findings from collateral contacts, "Determination of Need- Revised" DON-R assessment; other assessments; client wishes and case manager judgment are the basis for decision making and developing the justification for closure or the need for continued involvement through on-going APS services.

During the investigation and initial assessment, it may be necessary for the case manager to secure services, resources or take legal actions to meet a client's needs.

#### **PROCEDURES**

APS staff shall complete a comprehensive assessment to determine the client's level of vulnerability and identify services that can mitigate risk of further endangerment.

# Required Assessments for all Investigations

<u>For all investigations</u> – A comprehensive assessment shall include:

- The APS Risk or A/N/E Assessment
- 'Determination of Needs- Revised' (DON-R)
- Completed case notes

## Required Assessment for Specific Circumstances

Note: the DON-R is initially performed as a snap shot of the client's condition prior to APS interventions, however if the client experiences a significant change in circumstances APS staff shall complete an additional DON-R to reflect current needs.

In addition to the above assessments, the following assessments are required under specific circumstances:

- Income Worksheet in all Financial Exploitation cases; and
- SLUMS (Saint Louis University Mental Status) Exam when cognitive impairment is alleged or suspected.
- ADRC "Risk Assessment for Institutional Placement" when given permission by the client to

# Required Assessment for Specific Circumstances Cont.

make an ADRC referral and when advised by ADRC Options Counselor.

### When applicable:

Other assessments tools that may be helpful depending on the allegations reported and needs of the adult:

- UAB Financial Capacity tool
- PHQ-9
- Falls Risk Assessment Tool

**Note:** Refer to the Assessment Matrix for Assessment descriptions and appropriateness for use.

#### **REFERENCES**

DON-R SLUMS PHQ9

Falls Risk Assessment

**UAB** financial Capacity Tool

ADRC Risk Assessment for Institutional Placement

**Assessment Matrix**