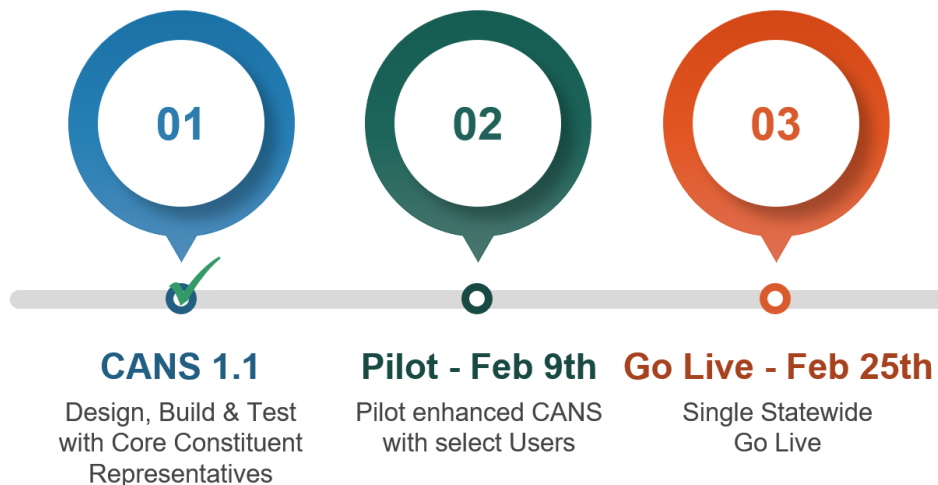


It's All About CANS – CANS 1.1

Coming Your Way Soon...

WHEN? this Saturday, Feb 9th

WHO? pilot users for validation before statewide access



CANS 1.1 – The More You Know

- **CANS Search Results** only display clients age 22 and younger.
- **After 4 hours of inactivity, you will be timed out.** Any unsaved work prior to the time out will be lost. A warning popup will display 5 minutes before you are timed out. Click CONTINUE to extend your session for another 4 hours.
- Remember to **SAVE the CANS Assessment early and often** to avoid losing any information. You'll lose your data if you navigate away from the assessment to another page (via the breadcrumbs or browser back button) without first saving.
- When printing: **1. Save first.** Only saved data is printed. **2. Click PRINT in the page header.** Confidential items will automatically be redacted, the Domain Total will not display for domains with Confidential items, and the document will be formatted correctly.
- **View CANS Summary on completed assessments.** Based on the ratings entered, assessment items will be grouped as Strengths, Action Required, Immediate Action Required, or Trauma.

Preparing for CANS 1.1

Training Materials

1. [Search and View Client Information in CANS Job Aid](#): Learn how to view assigned staff, view the client list, search for a client, view a client, and view the change log.
2. [Add, Edit, and Delete a CANS Assessment Job Aid](#): Learn how to add, edit, and delete a CANS assessment.
3. [CANS: Search and View Client Information Demo Video](#): Shows you how to view assigned staff, view the client list, view a client, search for a client, and view the change log.
4. [CANS: Add, Edit, and Delete a CANS Assessment Demo Video](#): Shows you how to add, edit, and delete a CANS assessment.

CARES 2.2 Change Readiness Plan (CRP)

The CARES 2.2 CRP documents key changes and associated benefits of CANS 1.1 while also detailing actions your organization can take to operationalize the enhanced CANS' features.

You can find the CRP on the Implementation Portal: [CARES 2.2 CRP](#)


Frequently Asked CANS Questions

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| <p>Q: How is my CANS dashboard determined (e.g., the first page I see when I access CANS)?</p> | <p>A: Your CWS-CMS roles and permissions (including caseload assignments and staff assignments) determine what CANS dashboard you see.</p> |
| <p>Q: Can I make changes to a completed CANS assessment?</p> | <p>A: Completed assessments are available for view only. You cannot make changes to completed assessments.</p> |
| <p>Q: If a child is transferred to another county while a CANS is in progress, can the receiving county access and update the in-progress CANS?</p> | <p>A: You can view assessments that are initiated outside your county, but you can't edit these assessments. For the receiving county to make updates to the in-progress CANS, the county will have to be updated in CWS-CMS.</p> |
| <p>Q: Is CANS going to replace SDM? Will it communicate with SDM?</p> | <p>A: CANS will replace the Family Strengths and Needs Assessment and the Child Strengths and Needs Assessment within Structured Decision Making (SDM). How CANS may interface with SDM is still TBD. For additional information, please refer to ACL 18-81.</p> |

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| <p>Q: Is CANS in CARES mandatory?</p> | <p>A: CANS is an essential tool for implementing the State’s Continuum of Care Reform. As such, CDSS, CWDA, and CWDS are collaborating to establish the scope and character of the CANS functionality for statewide adoption. Counties will be notified of planned CANS releases, which will include the appropriate time when the tool’s use will become mandatory. Meanwhile, adoption is voluntary.</p> |
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Reasons Why CANS is a Can-Do in CARES



Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths Assessment (CANS)

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| <p>Add, edit, delete, save, and print assessments</p> | <p>Dashboards for supervisors, case and non-case carrying users</p> | <p>Summary Card highlights strengths & action required items</p> |
| <p>Child’s demographics and case & referral IDs are auto-populated with CWS/CMS data</p> | <p>Change Log tracks changes to CANS assessments</p> | <p>Substance abuse disorder & confidential items redacted when printed</p> |


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Change Agent Training

Two more sessions available to learn about organizational change management and your role as a change agent.

Thursday, February 21, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Register here: [Change Agent Training Registration](#)

Please contact the Implementation Team at cwdsimplementation@osi.ca.gov with questions and feedback.