

MassDEP 2010-11 Audit Case Study Training: “Homework”

Please remember to bring this WRITTEN homework as your “entry” to the class; No partial credit can be given.

HOMEWORK: Imagine – you have suddenly been turned into a MassDEP Auditor and an ROS Status Report has been assigned to you for an L2 Audit. The case has been in ROS for several years. Your job, should you choose to accept it, is to audit the Remedy, asking yourself: Is it working? How do you know? What reports will you look at? (Several excerpts from the files are included.) Things to keep in mind during your review include:

- Is progress being made toward a Permanent Solution?
- What information helps you make that decision?
- Was the “right” Remedy selected in Phase III or could something else be added?
- Do you have all the information you need to make decisions about the site?
- If not, what else do you want to know?
- What kind of NOAF would you send?

Below is a list of questions to answer as you proceed through your audit. There are no “right” or “wrong” answers, this is not a “test.” These questions are for discussions purposes. The on-line documents will NOT be re-issued during the class so you may want to bring some or all of them to class. The class will start with a discussion of these questions.

1. Where do you begin your review? Do you start with the ROS and work backward? Or do you start with the Comprehensive Site Assessment from Phase II? What are you looking for?

2. When you review the ROS, is it a “stand alone” document from which you can make decisions about the Remedial System or do you need to go back to the other documents? Explain.

3. If you sent an NOA/ Request for Information ahead of the NOAF, what would you ask and why?
