

## PbS Levels

System to measure how facilities are implementing PbS and guide them as they develop improvement plans. PbS guides the facilities to first address the issues that are potentially life threatening, create injuries, violence, fail civil rights (these are the Critical Outcome Measures).

- Level 1 – PbS personnel lead the facility to this level, master data collection, definitional compliance and comprehensive reporting. Focuses on data quality and process competencies to assure that the data used to make improvements and decisions is complete, accurate during the candidacy process.
- Level 2 – This level focuses on the “Critical Outcome Measures” that are identified by PbS experts and practitioners as the most important indicators for safety and order within a facility. Information about injuries, assaults, suicidal behavior, isolation, screenings restraints and staff and youth fear for safety that give an immediate picture of the facility’s safety or violence.

Once the Critical Outcome Measures are addressed,

- Level 3 focuses on the programming outcomes: education pre-and post-test scores, treatment completion, links from screening to assessment to services; sharing of information with community services, volunteers and access to counsel.
- Level 4 designates a facility or agency that has mastered and integrated PbS’ continuous improvement system into daily operations and becomes a PbS mentor for other sites. This level addresses family and reentry planning.