THE PROCESS OF THE
Situation Table

THE FOUR FILTER APPROACH

FILTER ONE - PRIOR TO BRINGING THE SITUATION TO THE TABLE

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- Occurs at the originating service agency.
- Could my client's situation be managed more effectively through a multi-sector, collaborative approach?
- If yes? Bring it to the Table!

FILTER TWO - DE-IDENTIFIED DISCUSSION AT THE TABLE

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- Occurs at the Situation Table meeting.
- The originating agency shares their client's risk factors.
- Does my client's situation meet the threshold of Acutely Elevated Risk?

ACUTELY ELEVATED RISK

1. Significant interest at stake (service gaps & system failings have led the client to the AER threshold).
2. Probability that harm will occur if nothing is done.
3. Severe intensity of harm.
4. Multi-disciplinary nature of risk (the risk factors cut across multiple human service disciplines).

FILTER THREE - DISCUSSION TO DETERMINE INTERVENING AGENCIES

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- If AER is met, the originating agency shares the situation and the client's name.
- Table participants pause for agency recognition (agencies check their records for involvement with the client, if they don't know them directly).
- The risk factors are entered onto the database.

FILTER FOUR - DISCUSSION AMONGST RECOGNIZED AGENCIES

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- These agencies meet separately to discuss an intervention within 24/48hrs.
- What strategies can be used to connect this client with services?
- How can a wraparound approach lower this client's elevated risk?