

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

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Policy

It is the policy of the Shiawassee County Community Mental Health Authority (SCCMHA) that the provision of services will be consistent with the organization's mission and vision. Services will be provided to consumers appropriate to their specific needs as determined by initial screening, assessment, person centered planning, and throughout the entire system of care. Consumer care will be continuous among agency programs and coordinated with outside providers.

Purpose

To ensure that consumers receive care that is appropriate to their specific needs.

To ensure that care is continuous and coordinated among and between agency departments or programs and outside providers.


Application


All SCCMHA programs and services.

Standards

1. Persons admitted to agency programs, services, and levels of care must meet admission criteria for the specific program or service.
2. Case holders are responsible for ensuring appropriate services throughout the continuum of care.
3. Case holders are responsible for ensuring continuity and coordination of the consumer's care during treatment phases.
4. Referral, transfer, or discharge of consumers to other levels of care, health professionals, or settings are based on the consumer's assessed needs and the agency's capability to provide needed care.
5. Discharge planning begins at the time of admission.

6. The case holder is responsible for coordinating and following up on a consumer's transfer or discharge.

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