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Policy: Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health (SWMBH), which is the Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) and Coordinating Agency for Barry, Branch, Berrien, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph and Van Buren counties in accordance with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will contract for specialized services for women and their children. SWMBH executes the requirements by utilizing Designated Women's Programs through the women and families case manager.

Purpose: To describe the contracting of specialized services for women and their children.

Scope: This policy applies to all designated women's specialty service providers. These contractual obligations will be monitored on annual site visits conducted by SWMBH.

Responsibilities: Designated women's programs are responsible for assuring components of this policy are met.

Definitions:

Gender –Responsive (Designated Women's Program): Creating an environment through site selection (through MDHHS approval), staff selection, program development, content and material that reflects an understanding of the realities of the lives of women that addresses and responds to their strengths and challenges.

**Standards and Guidelines:**

- A. Services for women and their children are identified as a priority population under Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Community/Block Grant regulations. Services are designed to treat the customer's level of severity and to achieve permanent changes in a customer's alcohol or drug-using behavior.
- B. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will advocate to increase and/or improve services for women and families in the region.
- C. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will, in coordination with SWMBH, monitor and evaluate the activities of women's designated programs in the region.
- D. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will advocate for priority placement of pregnant women and will provide interim services, as necessary.
- E. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will coordinate prevention services with state and local agencies.
- F. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will coordinate medical services with primary care physicians and/or Ob-Gyn's for pregnant women and women with dependent children in substance use disorder treatment.
- G. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will complete Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder screening as indicated and make referrals as appropriate.
- H. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will coordinate childcare services, as indicated.
- I. The Women and Families Case Managers/programs will document information required in the annual MDHHS Women's Specialty Services report, and Child Referral Report, and provide this information to SWMBH.
- J. Services for Women and their Children will be provided in a manner consistent with MDHHS Office of Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (OROSC) Substance Abuse Treatment Policy #12 (Women's Treatment Services).

Procedures: None

Effectiveness Criteria: N/A

References: Michigan Department of Community Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse and Addiction Services (MDCH/OROSC). (2009). Substance Abuse Treatment Policy #11: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders. Retrieved from https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdch/TX_Policy_11_FASD_295506_7.pdf
Michigan Department of Community Health, Bureau of Substance Abuse and Addiction Services (MDCH/OROSC). (2009). Substance Abuse Treatment Policy #12: Women's Treatment Services. Retrieved from https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdch/P-T-12_Women_Srv_eff_100110_338279_7.pdf
45 CFR § 96.131 & 45 CFR § 96.124

Attachments:

- A. 11.04A MDHHS Women's Specialty Services (WSS) Annual Report
- B. 11.04B MDHHS Child Referral Report

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