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Policy: It shall be the policy of Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health (SWMBH) to assure continuity of care is provided to customers in the event a facility that provides medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) closes.

Purpose: Continuity of care to customers with substance use disorders who are receiving medication for opioid use disorder is essential to maintaining individual's recovery, improves outcomes, and reduces relapse potential by assuring on-going medication management is provided.

Scope: This policy applies to all SWMBH contracted MOUD providers and community-based providers, as needed.

Responsibilities: SWMBH will coordinate with SWMBH contracted MOUD providers and other community based MOUD providers, as needed, to ensure that necessary treatments can continue without interruption.

Definitions: None

Standards and Guidelines:

1. In the event a SWMBH funded substance use disorder (SUD) provider who provides MOUD services closes, the provider will notify SWMBH within required timeframes as outlined in their SWMBH contract.



2. In partnership with the contracted MOUD provider, SWMBH will assure medication management service provision continues by assuring referral to another SWMBH provider, or by identifying alternative community-based services where a comparable level of care is available.
3. If a non-SWMBH contracted MOUD provider closes, these providers are encouraged to contact SWMBH as needed, prior to the provider closing to assure continuity of care. In these situations, SWMBH will identify potential referrals in partnership with the provider and other community-based partners.

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