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APPLICATION:

☒ CMH Staff	☐ Board Members	☐ Provider Network	☒ Employment Services Providers
☐ Employment Services Provider Agencies	☒ Independent Contractors	☐ Students	☐ Interns
☐ Volunteers	☒ Persons Served		

POLICY:

The Lapeer County Community Mental Health (LCCMH) employs prescribers as regular staff and/or independent contractors to provide medically necessary medical services and supports.

STANDARDS:

- A. A medical director is designated to provide medical oversight for other prescribers, direction for the medical services, and participate in quality of care and management-related committees as required. The medical director is a psychiatrist designated by and reports to the Chief Executive Officer.
- B. Prescribers are appropriately licensed and credentialed to provide medically necessary services identified in the Individual Plans of Service (IPOS) of the persons served.

PROCEDURES:

- A. Specific responsibilities of the medical director include:
 - 1. Clinical oversight and direction for LCCMH's prescribers.

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2. Provision of emergency consultation to LCCMH's after-hours clinical staff, as needed
 3. Participation in quality of care and management related committees, including Quality Council, Behavior Treatment Plan Review Committee, and Medical Department meetings, as required.
 4. Review of LCCMH policies and procedures requiring physician input and approval.
 5. Liaison services to the Region 10 PIHP's medical staff and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, as required.
 6. Participation in clinical staff education activities, as required.
- B. Specific responsibilities of the prescribers include:
1. Provision of psychiatric evaluations.
 2. Provision of medication evaluations, prescriptions, and reviews.
 3. Review IPOS for persons served prescribed medications in the Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) program, as assigned.
 4. Consultation with clinical staff.
 5. Review of physical health and medical conditions of persons served, including review and authorization of lab work, as necessary.
 6. Referrals and consultation with primary care physicians of persons served, as necessary.
 7. Coordination and monitoring for persons served receiving court mandated services, as assigned.

DEFINITIONS:

Prescriber: a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician's assistant licensed by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulation to prescribe medication.

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