

---

---

Chapter: **CLINICAL PRACTICE**  
Title: **CONSUMER REFERRALS TO MCCMH**

Prior Approval Date: N/A  
Current Approval Date: 8/6/02

Approved by: Donna S. Halburk 8/6/02  
Executive Director Date

---

---

**I. Abstract**

This policy establishes the standards and procedures of the Macomb County Community Mental Health Board (MCCMH) proscribing payment for consumer referrals by or to MCCMH providers.

**II. Application**

This policy shall apply to all directly-operated and contract network providers of the MCCMH Board.

**III. Policy**

It is the policy of the MCCMH Board that payment shall not be made for the referral of consumers by or to providers of the MCCMH Board.

**IV. Definitions**

A. None.

**V. Standards**

A. MCCMH, or any person or contractual agency acting on behalf of or for the benefit of consumers of MCCMH, shall not pay or give nor offer to pay or give any money or any other consideration or thing of value, directly or indirectly, to any person or organization in return for referral(s) of a consumer(s) to MCCMH providers or to any other private individual or organization.

B. Any MCCMH employee who pays or gives or offers money or any other consideration or thing of value, directly or indirectly, to any person or organization in return for a referral(s) of a consumer(s) to MCCMH or to any private individual or organization shall be subject to remedial, corrective/disciplinary or preventive action as necessary, thereby correcting the situation or preventing reoccurrence of such incident / situation.

- C. Any MCCMH professional services contractor, or provider during the course of service provision for the MCCMH Board, who pays or gives or offers money or any other consideration or thing of value, directly or indirectly, to any person or organization in return for a referral of a consumer(s) to a MCCMH provider or to any private individual or organization, shall be subject to discipline, contract termination, or other remedies as determined by the Board.

**VI. Procedures**

- A. None.

**VII. References / Legal Authority**

- A. MCL 330.1143b; MSA 14.800(143b)

**VIII. Exhibits**

- A. None.