
Chapter: **CLINICAL PRACTICE**
Title: **PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATION FOR YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE**

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I. ABSTRACT

This policy establishes the standards of Macomb County Community Mental Health (MCCMH), an official agency of the County of Macomb, for obtaining specific informed consent and oversight of care for youth who are served by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Foster Care system and who participate in MCCMH provider network programs and activities related to psychotropic medication.

II. APPLICATION

This policy shall apply to directly-operated and contracted network providers of MCCMH.

III. POLICY

It is the policy of MCCMH that the process for obtaining informed consent for, and ensuring oversight of, psychotropic medications for youth served by the MDHHS Foster Care system shall take place according to the policies and procedures set forth by MDHHS in the Children's Foster Care Manual (Exhibits A and B).

IV. DEFINITIONS

See definitions in MDHHS Children's Foster Care Manual FOM 802-1, "Psychotropic Medication in Foster Care" (Exhibit A).

V. STANDARDS

- A. The provision and oversight of psychotropic medication to youth served by the MDHHS Foster Care system shall take place according to the policies and procedures set forth by MDHHS in the Children's Foster Care Manual.

- B. Informed consent for psychotropic medication for recipients who are youth served by the MDHHS Foster Care system shall be secured using the MDHHS Form 1643, "Psychotropic Medication Informed Consent" (Exhibit B). The prescribing clinician may also use an alternative consent form that contains all the required elements of the MDHHS-1643 as determined by the Foster Care Psychotropic Medication Oversight Unit (FCPMOU) or following the guidelines pertaining verbal consent delineated by FOM 802-1.

VI. PROCEDURES

None.

VII. REFERENCES/ LEGAL AUTHORITY

None.

VIII. EXHIBITS

- A. MDHHS Children's Foster Care Manual FOM 802-1, "Psychotropic Medication in Foster Care"
- B. Psychotropic Medication Informed Consent (MDHHS 1643)