POLICY: PROVISION OF TUBERCULOSIS SERVICES

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that tuberculosis services are made available to clients receiving treatment for substance use either directly or through arrangements with other public or nonprofit private entities.

II. REFERENCES:

45 CFR 96.127
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG) Performance Contract

III. POLICY:

It is the policy of County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) that all individuals receiving treatment for substance use have available access to tuberculosis services including:
1. Counseling the individual with respect to tuberculosis;
2. Testing to determine whether the individual has been infected with mycobacteria tuberculosis to determine the appropriate form of treatment for the individual; and
3. Providing for or referring the individual infected by mycobacteria tuberculosis for appropriate medical evaluation and treatment.

IV. AUTHORITY/RESPONSIBILITY:

Contract Managers
Alcohol and Drug Administrator
BHRS Director

V. PROCEDURE:

The County ensures that County-operated and contracted services funded under the SABG Performance Contract and State/Marin County IA comply with requirements of funding sources and applicable laws and regulations through the below methods.
County-operated and contracted services will ensure appropriate access through the following:

1. Advise clients of their rights to tuberculosis services in writing and filed within the client’s file.
2. Refer individuals in need of substance use treatment who are denied admission to the program on the basis of lack of capacity of the program to admit the individual to another provider of tuberculosis services.
3. Implement infection control procedures established by the principal agency of the State for substance abuse, in cooperation with the State Department of Health/Tuberculosis Control Officer, which are designed to prevent the transmission of tuberculosis, including the following:
   a. Screening of patients;
   b. Identification of those individuals who are at high risk of becoming infected; and
   c. Meeting all State reporting requirements while adhering to Federal and State confidentiality requirements, including 42 CFR part 2; and
   d. Conducting case management activities to ensure that individuals receive such services
   e. Report all individuals identified with active tuberculosis to the appropriate State official as required by law and consistent with paragraph (a)(3)(iii) of Title 45, Section 96.122.

Contractor compliance with this policy shall be achieved through:

1. Distribution of the SABG Performance Contract Requirements in the Contractor Manual annually at contract renewal.
2. Approval of contract as to form and legal affect by county counsel.
3. Signature of Contractor on contract agreeing to all conditions set forth in the contract.
4. Approval and execution of contract by the County Board of Supervisors or County Administrative Officer.
5. Annual completion of Section 3 of Self Audit (Tuberculosis Services) by Contractor, and subsequent review by BHRS Contract Manager, including Contractor’s signed attestation of adherence to all laws and regulations.
6. At annual Site Visit, Contract Manager shall review contractor policy and procedures regarding provision of Tuberculosis Services. Contract Manager will also review a sample of client files to review documentation advising clients of their rights related to TB services.

County-operated service compliance with this policy shall be achieved through:

1. Approval of SABG Performance Contract by Board of Supervisors or authorized designee agreeing to all conditions set forth in the contract.
2. Attestation to compliance with TB Requirements at the annual DHCS Monitoring review.
3. Annual completion of Self Audit, including County Alcohol & Drug Administrator’s signed attestation of adherence to all laws and regulations.
4. At annual Site Visit, BHRS Quality Management shall review policy regarding provision of Tuberculosis Services. Quality Management will also review a sample of client files to review documentation advising clients of their rights related to TB services.
BHRS
Checklist for New or Revised Policies and Procedures

Please submit this checklist to the BHRS Policy and Procedure Working Group Lead along with the first draft copy of your policy and accompanying documents.

Date of initial submission: 11/5/2020

Type of Update:

☐ New – Justification:

☐ Revision to Existing Policy or Procedure, Policy Number:

Complete Title of Policy: Provision of TB Services MHSUS-ADP-11

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Other Staff Involved in Drafting of Policy:

☐ SUDS only

System information:

☐ Stated in the BHRS Mental Health Only

OR

For revised policies, summarize the changes that need to be made to the existing policy:

updated reference, dates

2. List any existing governmental regulations that relate to policy or state “None”:

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3. Describe how policy will impact consumer access to care or state “N/A”:

Ensures access to TB services and timely reporting as required

4. Have you compared this policy to similar policies in other counties? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, list counties whose policies were reviewed:

5. Will this policy require staff training? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, indicate what staff will need to be trained and what training will be needed.

6. Will forms need to be developed or revised for this policy or policy update? ☐ Yes ☐ No If so, list forms that will need to be developed or revised (please list form number if available):

7. Describe any other changes that will need to be made in Behavioral Health (financial, consumer care, etc.) as a result of this policy:
8. Who needs to review this policy?
   BHRS staff: Jei Africa

   Other County Staff:

   Community partners: