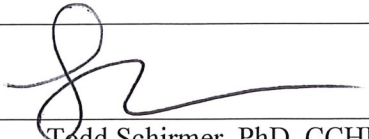


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POLICY:	Next Review Date: January 2027
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POLICY: PROVISION OF TUBERCULOSIS SERVICES

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 Use Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SUBG) 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.

BHRS and contracted providers shall also reduce barriers to patients' accepting TB treatment and develop strategies to improve follow-up monitoring, particularly after patients leave treatment, by disseminating information through educational bulletins and technical assistance.

IV. AUTHORITY/RESPONSIBILITY:

Contract Managers
 Alcohol and Drug Administrator
 BHRS Director

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V. PROCEDURE:

The County ensures that County-operated and contracted services funded under the SUBG 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 SUBG 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, County Administrative Officer or HHS Director.
5. Annual completion 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. Quality Management

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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 SUBG 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.