

# SHIAWASSEE COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

## POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

Section: Recipient Rights

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Subject: **Provision of Resuscitative Services**

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### **Policy**

It is the policy of Shiawassee County Community Mental Health Authority (SCCMHA) that resuscitative services will be provided or obtained in the most expeditious manner available for any staff, consumer, or visitor in apparent need of such assistance and that emergency medical services and transportation to a suitable medical facility will be obtained through 911.

### **Purpose**

To provide processes which support the consumer's right to establish conditions for directing end-of-life decisions while protecting the consumer's right to necessary care in emergency situations not governed by advance directives.

To safeguard the liability of the organization through the application of standard risk management practices.

### **Application**

This policy applies to all programs of SCCMHA and programs provided by contract agencies.

### **Standards**

1. All direct care staff will be trained in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) upon hire and receive recertification according to the American Red Cross guidelines.
2. In the event of a medical emergency direct care staff are to provide immediate first aid including resuscitation to any staff, consumer, or visitor in apparent need of resuscitation.
3. If no direct care staff are present in the building in which the medical emergency occurs then any staff observing a medical emergency are responsible for calling 911 immediately.



