

HIAWATHA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

Administrative Policy

Chapter: Recipient Rights
Section: Family Planning (6.4)
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I. Policy

It is the policy of the Hiawatha Behavioral Health Authority to provide notice to all recipients, legally authorized representatives or guardians, that information regarding family planning will be available upon request. When requested, information shall include referral services and/or assistance in obtaining educational information on family planning or other related topics.

II. Definitions:

Abortion: The termination of pregnancy before the state of viability induced or performed purposely as by a surgeon.

Adoption: The choice of giving up voluntarily one's right to a child for another to take that child by choice into a relationship as one's own child.

Contraception: The prevention of conception by chemical or mechanical means not to include surgical sterilization.

Minor: Any person under legal age (USA legal age is 18 years).

Recipient: A person who receives mental health services from Hiawatha Behavioral Health or an agency under contract with Hiawatha Behavioral Health.

Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD): A disease relating to affecting or typical of sex the sexes or the sex organs and their functions.

Sterilization: Surgical removal of testes or ovary or inactivation by irradiation or by tying off or removal of a portion of the reproductive ducts.

III. Procedure

A. The individual responsible for implementation of the Individual Plan of Services shall:

1. Provide notice to all recipients of services, legally authorized representatives or guardians, of the availability of family planning and health information services.
2. Upon request by the recipient, their legally authorized representative or legal guardian, the responsible individual shall provide education, information and/or referral services on family planning, prevention/detection of sexually transmitted diseases and associated health issues.

B. All notification shall be accompanied by a statement which specifies that receiving mental health services does not depend in any way on requesting information pertaining to family planning, prevention/detection of sexually transmitted disease as well as other health related topics.

C. Adoption, contraception, sterilization, abortion, and education relating to the prevention and/or detection of sexually transmitted diseases shall be a confidential matter between the recipient, the recipient's guardian and or legally authorized representative and the recipient's physician.

IV. Application

All Programs

V. References And Legal Authority

A. Act 258 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, Section 330.1938

B. Department of Community Health Administrative Rules - R - 330.7029