



# MCCMH Contracted Provider Training Requirements: Course Descriptions

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All direct-operated program and contract agency staff shall demonstrate that they meet the Macomb County PIHP/MCCMH Services Board's mandatory training requirements as outlined in the MCCMH Training Requirements Grid attached to this course description. Training described herein **does not** constitute all training that may be required by law, license, accreditation, certification, credential, provider qualifications or service setting.

## **WHAT IS TRAINING RECIPROCITY?**

MDHHS/PIHP contract language requires CMHSPs and their provider networks to accept staff training provided by other CMHSPs and their provider networks to meet their training requirements when: 1) that staff training is substantially similar to their own training; and 2) staff member completion of such training can be verified. Therefore, training reciprocity will be achieved by ensuring that all future training meets standardized criteria.

Training Reciprocity for MCCMH required trainings can be obtained by providing the MCCMH Training Committee with access to the proposed training materials. The MCCMH Training Committee reviews the submitted training materials against the standardized criteria and will execute 3 possible actions: 1) Approval, for a 3-year duration; 2) Approval with the following exclusions, for a 3-year duration; or 3) Not Approved.

The training entity's name will be listed first and followed by the title of the training.  
Example: Detroit Wayne Connect – "Limited English Proficiency"

## **BASICS FOR CULTURALLY COMPETENT PROVIDERS**

This online training, to be completed within 90 days of hire, recognizes that a multitude of characteristics exist to define a cultural group. This training is a reminder that cultural values affect behavior and provide the basics for employees to begin their journey toward cultural competency. Ongoing online training will be completed every two (2) years or in response to findings or recommendations identified through the audit/review or contract monitoring process. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – "Cultural Competence/Diversity"
- **Improving MI Practices** – "Cultural Competence – Basic Concepts"
- **MORC** – "Cultural Competency"

## **BLOOD-BORNE PATHOGENS AND INFECTION CONTROL**

The Infection Control and Blood-borne Pathogens training reviews the modes of transmission in which infections are spread and how employees can protect themselves from infections while minimizing/eliminating exposure to any blood-borne pathogens. The training emphasizes the recognitions and prevention of health hazards for mental health employees and specifies the types of hazards in certain settings, consistent with OSHA and MI-OSHA training standards. MCCMH contracted providers should ensure that this training is specific to their developed exposure control plan and is MI-OSHA compliant. Initial training is within 90 days of hire and ongoing training is to be completed annually for all staff (direct-operated and contract agency). Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “Universal Precautions/Bloodborne Pathogens/Infection Control”
- **Improving MI Practices** – “Infection Control & Standard Precautions”
- **Improving MI Practices** – “Infection Control for Direct Care Workers”
- **MORC** – “Infectious Disease Control”
- **MI Virtual Professional Learning Portal** – “Bloodborne Pathogens 2019-20”

## **CHILD AND ADOLESCENT FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT SCALE (CAFAS)**

The CAFAS is used as an assessment to determine the day-to-day functionality and improvement of severely emotionally disturbed (SED) children from the ages of seven (7) to eighteen (18). The training focuses on the eight (8) domains of a child’s life and successful completion is a requirement toward becoming a certified rater, as is the effective rating of vignettes. Initial training is to be completed before any CAFAS assessments are started. Ongoing reliability training is to be completed every two (2) years as mandated by the State of Michigan. MCCMH will accept CAFAS rater reliability certification that has been completed in a face-to-face training modality with MDHHS issued training materials and testing vignettes with supporting documentation. MCCMH reserves the right to request the rater reliability vignette tracking form utilized to determine pass, pass with remediation, or fail or the completion of in person vignette testing to demonstrate satisfactory competency in this subject matter.

## **CHILDREN’S DIAGNOSTIC TREATMENT SERVICE (CDTS) HOURS (CHILDREN’S TRAINING HOURS)**

Training related to the assessment, diagnosis, and/or treatment of children and adolescents with Mental Illnesses (MI), Substance Use Disorders (SUD), Intellectual/Developmentally Disabilities (I/DD), or complex health conditions or related to services available to families must be completed by any provider staff member that administers direct mental health services to minors. Provider staff must complete 24 hours of training annually and begins on date of hire; this requirement shall be maintained for any given 12-month period following the first year of employment. Trainings include face-to-face, online, psychiatric consultation, or clinical supervision. Online and self-study should total no more than 18 of the 24 hours required. The Children’s Training hour accrual calendar is based on a January 1-December 31 time frame.

### **COLUMBIA-SUICIDE SEVERITY RATING SCALE (C-SSRS)**

The Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS) assesses suicide risk through a series of simple questions. The scale helps users identify whether someone is at risk for suicide, assess the severity and immediacy of suicide risk, and gauge the level of support needed. Some questions asked are: whether and when an individual has thought about suicide (ideation), what actions they have taken — and when — to prepare for suicide, and whether and when they attempted suicide or began a suicide attempt that was either interrupted by another person or stopped of their own volition. Decisions about hospitalization, counseling, referrals, and other actions are informed by the responses pertaining to a number of factors and the recency of suicidal thoughts and behaviors. This training is to be completed online within 60 days of hire. Ongoing online training is to be completed every two (2) years. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled training with the entity listed next to the training as a reciprocated alternative:

- **MORC** – “Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS)”

### **CONFIDENTIALITY OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT**

This online training is to be completed within 90 days of hire and annually thereafter. This training discusses the difference between HIPAA and 42 CFR Part 2 regulations, what entities and individuals must comply with or benefit from these regulations, the kinds of information protected under these laws, as well as information that is exempt from the non-disclosure requirements. Training participants will also learn about rules governing individuals’ access to their own medical records, how to put safeguards in place to protect the information of the individuals served, and the consequences and penalties associated with unauthorized disclosure of such information. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled training with the entity listed next to the training as a reciprocated alternative:

- **Improving MI Practices** – “The Basics of Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Treatment: The Implications of 42 CFR 2 and HIPAA.”

### **CORPORATE COMPLIANCE**

The MCCMH Board requires each provider agency to maintain a Corporate Compliance plan and each agency **must** provide training specific to their Plan and/or Policy. Staff will be educated on the agency’s plan and procedures, as a required component of any corporate compliance plan. Initial training is within 90 days from the start of employment, and staff will complete a refresher training annually.

### **CPR AND FIRST AID**

CPR and First Aid is strongly recommended for all service delivery personnel within 30 days of hire or prior to working independently with individuals. All required providers must complete a First Aid and CPR training that requires an in-person skills demonstration in front of certified trainer for certification. Examples of entities that fulfill this requirement within their established fidelity are American Heart Association, American Red Cross, EMS Safety, American CPR Training and American Safety & Health Institute. Blended training options that incorporate online training content along with an in-person skills

demonstration in front of certified trainer for certification will be accepted. Ongoing training is to be completed every two (2) years. Contracted providers are required to ensure that their employees meet the provider qualifications outlined within the Michigan Medicaid Manual, site/professional licensing requirements, and the accreditation standards outlined by the provider's accrediting body regarding this training requirement.

### **SPECIALIZED RESIDENTIAL SERVICE PROVIDER TRAINING**

Specialized Residential Service Provider Training refers to the State-approved curriculum for Specialized Residential group home staff. The curriculum covers the training content outlined by Direct Support Staff Training Grid located within the Improving MI practices website. The following modules content areas within the DSP training must be refreshed at the time frames identified by MCCMH PIHP; Behavior and Crisis Intervention, Health and Wellness, Human Relationships, Introduction to Human Services and Meeting Special Needs, Medications, Nutrition, and Teaching New Skills/Life Skills. Training must begin within 30 days of hire and must be completed within 90 days of hire. Training must be completed before the individual can be counted in the consumer-to-staff ratio. Specialized residential service providers that have not been working within a Specialized Residential program for the duration of one (1) year or greater will be required to complete the initial DSP training program. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **MORC** – Direct Support Professional Training
- **Training and Treatment Innovations** – Direct Support Professional Training
- **Community Living Services (DWHA)** – Direct Support Professional Training

### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANS/HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Prior to consumer contact, but no later than 30 days after employment, employees must complete training that focuses on specific procedures that must be followed should emergency situations arise in service settings. Emergency situations include, but are not limited to, fires or explosions; tornadoes; storms; lightning strikes; power or utility failure; snow, ice, and wind chill factors; bomb threats; workplace violence and other potential threats; hazardous materials; medical emergencies; psychiatric emergencies; and all other emergency or disaster-related events. The training **must** be on agency-specific practices and procedures. Ongoing training will be completed annually. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “Emergency Preparedness”
- **Improving MI Practices** – “Emergency Preparedness”
- **MORC** – “Environmental Emergencies”

### **GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS**

This training describes the processes that MCCMH has in place pertinent to resolving consumer dissatisfaction with services and resolving disagreements related to denial of service requests, or

reduction, suspension, or termination of services that a consumer is currently receiving; and seeks to differentiate consumer grievances from appeals. All staff members (clinical, paraprofessional, and administrative) are required to complete initial training within 90 days of hire. Ongoing online training is to be completed every two (2) years. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “Grievances, Appeals and State Fair Hearings”
- **MORC** – “Due Process/Medicaid Fair Hearing”

#### **HIPAA PRIVACY AND SECURITY**

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) establishes workforce training requirements dealing with privacy and security practices. Initial training is to occur within 90 days from the start of employment and each provider agency **must** provide training specific to their procedures related to protecting consumer privacy and confidentiality. Staff will complete a refresher training annually. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “HIPAA Basics”
- **Improving MI Practices** – “HIPAA Essentials”
- **MORC** – “HIPAA”

#### **LEVEL OF CARE UTILIZATION SYSTEM (LOCUS)**

The LOCUS is an assessment and placement instrument developed by the American Association of Community Psychiatrists (AACCP) and the American Association of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP). Effective immediately, this tool must be completed on any adult who is receiving services from Macomb County Community Mental Health. This course will assist attendees with documenting the enrollee’s needs based on the six (6) evaluation dimensions, level of functioning, and the recommended level of care. The training is relevant for Social Workers, Psychologists, Counselors, and all other staff involved with care coordination or other functions for which knowledge about level of care instruments is important. This training is also appropriate for providers who will be using or interpreting the tool for Utilization Management purposes and to meet the requirements of the MI Health Link. This training class appropriately teaches staff how to use and administer the LOCUS assessment. This training must be completed prior to any LOCUS assessments being completed. Ongoing training is to be completed every two (2) years.

#### **LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP)**

Limited English Proficiency training seeks to increase employee awareness of potential barriers to services provided by the MCCMH service network and of the accommodations in place to minimize and eliminate those barriers for consumers with limited English proficiency. Initial training online must be completed within 30 days of hire. Ongoing online training is completed every two (2) years. Additionally, MCCMH has

approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “Limited English Proficiency”
- **Improving MI Practices** – “Limited English Proficiency”
- **MORC** – “Limited English Proficiency”

#### **MEDICARE GENERAL COMPLIANCE & FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE**

Completion of this training is only required for the employees of service providers that provide/bill for services that are covered by Medicare. This online training must be completed with the first 90 days of employment and annually thereafter. This training provides information regarding how a compliance program operates and how violations should be reported. Trainees are provided with information regarding the scope of fraud, waste, and abuse while highlighting the laws that mandate the reporting of such incidents and how to report them.

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “Medicare Fraud & Abuse”

#### **PRESCHOOL AND EARLY CHILDHOOD FUNCTIONAL ASSESMENT SCALE (PECFAS)**

This training, similar to the format of CAFAS, is done for all severely emotionally disturbed (SED) children from the ages of four (4) to six (6). Training focuses on the seven (7) domains of a child’s life. Successful completion is a requirement toward becoming a certified rater, as is the effective rating of vignettes. Initial training is to be completed before any PECFAS assessments are started. Ongoing reliability training is to be completed every two (2) years as mandated by the State of Michigan. MCCMH will accept PECFAS rater reliability certification that has been completed in a face-to-face training modality with MDHHS issued training materials and testing vignettes with supporting documentation. MCCMH reserves the right to request the rater reliability vignette tracking form utilized to determine pass, pass with remediation, or fail or the completion of in person vignette testing to demonstrate satisfactory competency in this subject matter.

#### **PERSON-CENTERED PLANNING FOR ANCILLARY PROFESSIONAL STAFF**

Person-Centered and Family-Centered training encompasses education in the values, principles, guidelines, and implementation of the PCP and FCP planning processes. Training will incorporate recovery, Wellness Recovery Action Planning (WRAP), advance directives, and advance crisis planning. This training must be completed within 90 days of hire online.

- **Detroit Wayne Connect-** “Person-Centered Planning and Individual Plan of Service for Direct Support Professionals (Direct Care Workers)”
- **Detroit Wayne Connect-** "Person-Centered Planning Process with Children, Adults & Families"
- **Improving MI Practices** – “Person-Centered Planning Process with Children, Adults, & Families

### **PERSON-CENTERED PLANNING (PCP) AND FAMILY-CENTERED PRACTICE (FCP)**

Person-Centered and Family-Centered training encompasses education in the values, principles, guidelines, and implementation of the PCP and FCP planning processes. Training will incorporate recovery, Wellness Recovery Action Planning (WRAP), advance directives, and advance crisis planning. All training will emphasize the importance of developing and writing meaningful person-centered goals and outcomes, objectives, and interventions that best reflect a person's needs. Administrative Staff, Peer and Parent Support Specialist/Partners, and Ancillary providers can complete this training online. Clinical staff training (both initial and ongoing) is to be face-to-face. Paraprofessional staff will be trained on each individual's plan of service prior to working with the individual served. This training must be completed within 90 days of hire and every two years thereafter.

### **RECIPIENT RIGHTS TRAINING**

This training must be completed within 30 days of hire and will focus on the rights of persons served by the MCCMH provider network along with outlining specific procedures designed to ensure that the rights of consumers are protected. This training will be provided by the MCCMH Office of Recipient Rights or their designate. Ongoing training will be completed every two (2) years or in response to findings, recommendations from recipient rights complaints, investigation reports, or recipient rights audits. Employees must complete the New Hire Recipient Rights Training each time they begin employment with a new employer. All initial and refresher trainings must be completed in a face-to-face training format and facilitated by a representative from the Office of Recipient Rights.

### **SELF-DETERMINATION TRAINING**

This training provides attendees with information regarding an alternative to currently established treatment service programs. Attendees will learn the philosophy and technical components of self-determination service delivery, such as the application process, documentation requirements, and responsibilities that are taken on by the consumer/consumer's guardian. This training is to be completed within the first 90 days of hire and every two (2) years thereafter. This training is **only required** for Case Managers, Supports Coordinators, and their Supervisors.

### **INTRODUCTION TO TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE**

Through detailed examples and evidenced-based materials, training participants will learn the scope of their role and responsibilities when serving individuals with trauma histories. Participants will examine best practices to implement, as well as how to avoid harmful ones that can further perpetuate the suffering and silence of trauma. As this course is completed, participants will gain a deeper understanding of how organizational culture and personal views on trauma-informed care can impact one's work with trauma survivors. Participants will learn what it means to provide trauma-informed care, and why this approach is a multi-faceted one that should be considered for individuals served. Initial training will be completed online within 90 days of hire and ongoing training is to be completed every two (2) years. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled training with the entities listed next to the training as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Improving MI Practices** – “Creating Cultures of Trauma-Informed Care (CMHSP)”

**TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE TRAINING FOR NON-CLINICAL, ANCILLARY, AND PARAPROFESSIONAL STAFF**

This training details the fundamentals of trauma-informed care and the multitude of circumstances that can impact an individual resulting in trauma. Operating in a trauma-informed way reduces the chances of re-traumatization and raises awareness to potential triggers. Training participants will receive a synopsis of trauma and its various types, how changing one’s approach can be beneficial and more effectual in service delivery and how being trauma-informed can change the trajectory of someone’s recovery. Training participants will also explore examples of a trauma-informed approach to care and the need to implement universal precautions. Lastly, participants will learn how to identify signs of compassion fatigue and best practices for combating it. Strategies for self-care when working with traumatized populations will also be delved into. Initial training will be completed online within 90 days of hire and ongoing training is to be completed every two (2) years. Additionally, MCCMH has approved the following titled trainings with the entities listed next to the trainings as reciprocated alternatives:

- **Detroit Wayne Connect** – “Trauma 101”
- **Improving MI Practices** – “Trauma Basics”

Links for Approved Alternative Trainings:

**Online Training Links:** All online trainings will require staff to create a user profile before being able to access training content

**Detroit Wayne Connect:** <https://www.dwctraining.com/Trainings/Lists>

**Professional Learning Portal:** <https://plp.mivu.org/Registration.aspx>

**Improving MI Practices:** <https://www.improvingmipractices.org/online/>

**Improving MI Practices trainings outlined on this document are located within the “Core Courses” area of the main website or “Courses and Resources” section under the specific training topic.**