

Subject: Utilization Management	Procedure: Specialized Residential Service Request	
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# I. PURPOSE:

To provide procedural and operational guidance to direct and contract providers on requesting specialized residential services.

#### II. DEFINITIONS:

None.

# III. PROCEDURE:

- A. When a person served notifies their primary provider of a desire or need for specialized residential services (SRS), their primary provider shall:
  - 1. Identify if this is a treatment need for the person;
  - 2. Process the change with the person; and
  - 3. Assist the person in deciding if the higher level of care is medically necessary.
- B. The primary provider completes the documentation in the person's record to support the request. This includes, but is not limited to,
  - 1. Adding the service to the PCP;
  - 2. Completing an updated LOCUS, when applicable;
  - 3. Updating the person's Annual Assessment to document the medical necessity of the requested level of care; and
  - 4. Completing the Residential Assessment Form.
  - \*Please refer to the Procedure on the Documentation Required for a Request for SRS for additional detail.
- C. The primary provider notifies Managed Care Operations (MCO) of the request by emailing MCO.SRS@mccmh.net.

- D. MCO staff review the request and if additional documentation is needed communicate with the primary provider.
- E. When MCO staff have received a completed request, they have 14 days to process the request.
- F. MCO staff make a level of care (LOC) determination.
- G. When SRS placement is approved:
  - 1. The determination is communicated to the primary provider;
  - 2. MCO provides the primary provider a referral to a residential provider;
  - 3. The primary provider coordinates the referral and assists the person served in being linked to the residential provider;
  - 4. The primary provider continues to provide clinical services throughout the process and typically after placement; and
  - 5. Admissions/authorizations are completed in the FOCUS EMR by the primary provider.
- H. When SRS placement is denied:
  - 1. The determination is communicated to the primary provider; and
  - 2. Notice of Adverse Benefit Determination is sent by MCO to the person served/guardian.

### **IV. REFERENCES:**

None.

### V. RELATED POLICIES

None.

#### VI. EXHIBITS:

None.

### Annual Review Attestation / Revision History:

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