

Priority Populations Guidelines for Substance Use Disorder Services

Priority Populations: General Overview

This section outlines the priority populations eligible for substance use disorder (SUD) services to ensure timely and appropriate access to care as mandated by federal and state guidelines.

Priority Populations: Eligibility Requirements

The following populations are prioritized for SUD services in accordance with federal, state, and local guidelines:

1. Pregnant injecting drug users.
2. Pregnant individuals with a substance use disorder diagnosis.
3. Injecting drug users.
4. Parents or guardians at risk of losing custody of their children due to substance use.
5. Individuals recently released from incarceration or under community supervision (e.g., parole or probation).
6. All other individuals meeting eligibility and medical necessity criteria.

Priority Populations: Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for MCCMH-SUD services, individuals must meet the following requirements:

- Residency within Macomb County.
- Active enrollment in Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, or individuals who are uninsured.
- Diagnosis of a substance use disorder.
- Clinical determination of medical necessity.

Priority Populations: Service Access and Referral Process

Referrals may come from various sources, including:

- Supervising agents, law enforcement, caseworkers, or therapists.
- Direct contact by the client to the Access Management System (AMS).
- Outreach by outpatient treatment providers.

The referral process will include the following:

- Submission of a signed consent form and any necessary referral documentation.
- Timely screening and preauthorization for services.

Priority Populations: MDOC Referral Guidelines

General Overview: This section outlines the referral process, eligibility criteria, and reporting requirements specific to Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) referred individuals.

Priority Populations: MDOC Eligibility Criteria

MDOC referrals must meet the following requirements to be eligible for SUD services:

- Active Macomb County residency.
- Enrollment in Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, or individuals who are uninsured.
- A verified substance use disorder diagnosis.
- Clinical determination of medical necessity.

Requests for assessment or treatment solely to comply with parole or probation requirements, without clinical need for ongoing services, are not eligible for funding.

Priority Populations: MDOC Referral Process

Referrals for SUD services may be initiated through the following pathways:

1. Supervising Agent Referral

- The MDOC Supervising Agent must complete the "MDOC Substance Abuse Treatment Referral" form (CFJ-306) and the MDHHS 5515 Consent form.
- These documents should be submitted to the Priority Populations Care Coordinator.

2. Direct Client Contact

- Clients may contact the AMS directly to initiate screening and service authorization.

3. Outpatient Provider Access

- Clients may present directly to an outpatient treatment provider, who will then coordinate with AMS to ensure proper authorization and documentation.

Priority Populations: MDOC Screening and Preauthorization

The AMS is responsible for conducting a timely screening to determine service eligibility and preauthorize treatment.

- If a client does not contact AMS after referral, the AMS will notify the supervising agent within one business day.

- AMS will provide the screening date, service recommendations, and referral destination to the supervising agent promptly.

Priority Populations: MDOC Reporting Requirements

1. Treatment Admission Confirmation

- Providers must notify the MDOC Supervising Agent within one business day of a client's treatment admission.

2. Ongoing Communication

- Submit monthly status reports using the MDOC Monthly Status Report form by the 5th day of the following month.
- Provide discharge summaries and aftercare plans within five business days of a client's discharge.

3. Incident Reporting

- Notify the MDOC Supervising Agent immediately (or within one hour) of critical incidents such as:
 - Unauthorized absences.
 - Client deaths.
 - Criminal activity involving the client while in treatment.

Priority Populations: MDOC Data Tracking and Accountability

- Providers must identify MDOC-referred clients in the BH-TEDS Admission record under "Detailed Criminal Justice Referral" as "MDOC SUD Treatment Referral."
- Residential and Specialized Treatment Requirements:
 - Residential treatment providers must notify the supervising agent in cases such as:
 - Nonattendance or failure to meet medical necessity for residential care.
 - Off-site program absences without proper leave authorization.
 - Non-emergent medical leave requests, which require agent review and coordination.

Priority Populations: Collaboration and Coordination

- Providers will work closely with MDOC supervising agents to align treatment plans with client supervision requirements to ensure that services support the client's rehabilitative and legal goals.

- The PIHP Priority Populations Care Coordinator will serve as a liaison between treatment providers and MDOC Supervising Agents to assist with coordination of care and compliance with reporting requirements.

Priority Populations: Women's Specialty Services

General Overview: The purpose of this section is to outline the requirements and guidelines for service providers in delivering Women's Specialty Services (WSS), in accordance with MDHHS standards.

Priority Populations: WSS Eligibility Criteria

WSS are prioritized for the following populations:

1. Pregnant women with a substance use disorder diagnosis.
2. Women with dependent children requiring SUD treatment.
3. Parenting women seeking to regain custody of their children.

Priority Populations: WSS Service Components

WSS programs must offer a comprehensive array of services, including:

- Gender-Specific Substance Use Disorder Treatment: Tailored interventions that address the specific needs and experiences of women.
- Prenatal and Postnatal Care Coordination: Ensuring access to appropriate medical services for pregnant and postpartum women.
- Childcare Services: Providing childcare to enable mothers to attend treatment sessions.
- Parenting Education and Support: Programs designed to enhance parenting skills and family dynamics.
- Case Management: Comprehensive support to address housing, employment, and other social determinants of health.

Priority Populations: WSS Provider Requirements

Designated WSS providers must adhere to the following requirements:

- Staff Training: Ensure that staff receive ongoing training in gender-specific treatment modalities and trauma-informed care.
- Data Reporting: Accurately report service utilization and outcomes as specified by MDHHS guidelines.
- Compliance with Federal and State Regulations: Adhere to all relevant laws and policies governing the provision of WSS.

- For women under the supervision of the Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC), the PIHP Priority Populations Coordinator will act as a liaison between providers and MDOC agents to ensure coordinated care and compliance with reporting requirements.