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I. APPLICATION:

- PIHP Board
 CMH Providers
 SUD Providers
 PIHP Staff
 CMH Subcontractors

II. POLICY STATEMENT:

It is the policy of the Region 10 PIHP to have care delivery guidelines for substance use disorder Women’s Specialty treatment services.

III. DEFINITIONS:

Women’s Specialty Services (WSS): federally mandated substance use disorder services that are available to pregnant women, women with dependent children, and women attempting to regain custody of their children who are in substance use disorder treatment. Michigan Law extends priority populations status to men whose children have been removed from the home or are in danger of being removed. Men who are shown to be the primary caregivers for their children are also eligible to access ancillary services.

Gender Competent Program: SUD Region 10 PIHP Provider Organizations with gender specific SUD programs and at least one practitioner meeting state required gender competency qualifications can be designated by the PIHP as a gender competent program.

Gender Competency: The SUD treatment environment includes benefits for gender competence. Gender competence is the capacity to identify where difference on basis of gender is significant; provide services that appropriately address gender differences and enhance positive outcomes for the population. Gender competence can be characteristic of anything from individual knowledge and skills to teaching; learning and practice environments; literature and policy. The SUD treatment programs engaged in the practice of gender competence will be providing specialized programming, focused not only on substance abuse, but also for example on trauma, relationships, self-esteem, and parenting. Staff serving this population should have training in women’s issues relating to the previously mentioned programming areas, as well as HIV/STI’s family dynamics, and child welfare.

• **Gender Competency Training Requirements (Practitioner):**

- Must have a minimum of 8 semester hours, or equivalent, of gender specific substance disorder training.

OR

- 1080 hours of supervised gender specific substance use disorder training (field experience);
- Those not meeting the requirement must be supervised by another individual working within the program, and be working towards meeting the requirements;
- Documentation of trainings is required to be kept in personnel files.

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IV. STANDARDS:

Admission Criteria

- a. At admission, the woman must be either pregnant or parenting a minor child or at risk of losing custody of a child (applicable to male with primary custody and/or at risk of losing primary custody of dependent child).
- b. The provider organization must be designated by MDHHS as a Women Specialty Services Provider and/or have privileges from the PIHP as a Gender Competent Provider.
- c. The provider organization rendering Women's Specialty Services must be appropriately licensed to provide SUD services.
- d. Treatment programs designated as a Women's Specialty Services provider in accordance with the requirements specified in 45CFR 96.124 must provide or arrange for the following:
 - i. Must have the capacity to arrange for primary medical care for women through a Medicaid Health Plan (MHP), or primary care physician (PCP), including referral for prenatal care if pregnant, and while the women are receiving substance abuse treatment.
 - ii. Must have the capacity and capability to provide gender competent specific substance use disorder treatment services and other therapeutic intervention for women, which may address issues of relationships, sexual and physical abuse (trauma), and parenting.
 - iii. Must be able to arrange for Primary Pediatric Care for children of women who are receiving women's specialty services; including immunizations.
 - iv. Must have the capacity to provide therapeutic interventions for children in custody of women in treatment, which may, among other things, address their developmental needs, risk of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, pre-natal drug exposure, trauma and neglect;
 - v. Must have the capacity to provide case management services to arrange for and then coordinate the above services as a billable activity; and
 - vi. Must have the capacity to arrange or directly provide transportation services to ensure women and their dependent children have access to the above mentioned services which include: treatment, child care, therapeutic interventions and medical appointments.

V. PROCEDURES: N/A

VI. EXHIBITS: N/A