Re: Growing concerns by persons served as they are rejected from participating in CFAP listening sessions

As you know, persons served, throughout Michigan, have voiced concerns regarding the MDHHS proposed Conflict Free Access and Planning system. You also may remember that, as a result of the expression of these concerns, MDHHS agreed to hold two listening sessions (August 1 and 9) to obtain the views of persons served regarding these proposals.

We have been receiving notice that many persons served who have tried to register for the listening sessions are being turned away, by MDHHS, from participating.

REQUEST: The Community Mental Health Association of Michigan is asking (strongly urging) that, if you are in contact with persons served who have been prohibited from participating in the MDHHS Conflict Free Access and Planning Listening Sessions, you let those persons know that they should express their concerns about being halted from participating in these listening sessions. Please let them know that they can voice their concerns by writing or calling:

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