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### **Policy**

It is the policy of Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health Authority (BABHA) that procedures are established for the North Bay Program.

## **Purpose**

This policy and procedure was established to describe the North Bay Program including who it serves, program goals and objectives, entrance criteria and services offered.

## **Education Applies to**

All BABHA Staff
Selected BABHA Staff, as follows: <u>Direct Care (e.g. respite, day prog.)</u> , <u>Developmental</u>
Disabilities Group
All Contracted Providers: Policy Only Policy and Procedure
Selected Contracted Providers, as follows:
Policy Only Policy and Procedure
Other:
<u>Definitions</u>

#### **Procedure**

N/A

The North Bay Program provides Community Living Support (CLS) services to adults and children who are approved for CLS services, which includes individuals who have an intellectual/developmental disability, mental illness, and/or severe emotional disturbance. The purpose of the program is to assist individuals whose needs cannot be met with another contracted CLS provider. This program is also meant to support our contracted CLS providers in

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the transition of hiring new staff for the consumer, so the consumers needs do not go unmet. North Bay Program will work with individuals to help them connect and become a real part of their community through routine community engagement, as well as learn life skills to be able to live as independently as possible

## Services are individualized and may include:

- 1. Assisting, prompting, reminding, cueing, observing, guiding and/or training in the following;
  - Meal Preparation
  - Laundry
  - Activities of Daily Living (hygiene, eating, dressing, grooming, communicating)
  - Shopping for food or other necessities
  - Transportation assistance
  - Safety Skills
- 2. Staff assistance, support and/or training with activities such as;
  - Money Management
  - Non-medical care
  - Health and Wellness
  - Socialization and relationship building
  - Coping with the world around us
  - Transportation to and from community activities
  - Participation in regular community activities and recreation opportunities of the persons choosing (enrichment classes, movies, concerts and events in the community, voting, volunteering, etc.).
- 3. Reminding, observing, and monitoring of medications administration.
- 4. Staff assistance with preserving the health and safety of the individual that he/she may reside or be supported in the most integrated, independent community setting.
- 5. Services are provided in the community.
- 6. The hours of supports, services, and schedules are customized to each individual as designed in his/her plan of service and focus on creating meaningful relationships. Community Living Supports will be provided in each component to support each person in self-help, socialization, adaptive skills and mobility.

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### **Program Entrance Criteria:**

- 1. Referrals are made by the primary Client Services Specialist and are approved and authorized through the CLS Committee and Program Manager.
- 2. Persons who receive CLS services through North Bay are required to receive case management/supports coordination services.
- 3. Resident of Bay or Arenac County
- 4. Adults and children with an intellectual/developmental disability, mental illness, and/or severe emotional disturbance.
- 5. Referrals for individuals who cannot be supported by another contracted provider will be prioritized over other referrals.
- 6. Referrals for individuals who have a lapse in CLS staffing from a contracted provider, will be prioritized over those who have not started services. North Bay program will provide CLS services for these individuals only until a new CLS staff from the contracted provider is secured. Once new staff from the contracted provider is secured, North Bay Program will no longer provide these CLS services.
- 7. North Bay Program will provide emergency CLS coverage for those individuals that are approved by the Program Manager and other coordinating department managers.
- North Bay program will not provide services to those individuals living in an AFC, specialized residential or other group home setting, unless approved by the CLS Committee and Program Manager.
- 9. .

## North Bay CLS Program Goals:

- A. To provide and implement a specialized plan of service based on each individual's dreams, wishes and desires. Individuals participating in North Bay services shall have choice and control in the services they receive.
- B. Each person receiving services from North Bay will have individual goals and objectives developed through the person-centered planning process. North Bay Program staff will follow and implement specialized plan as outlined in the individual plan of service, including, but not limited to, behavior treatment plans, OT, PT, dietary and nursing plans.

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- C. To provide community engagement and relationship opportunities for individuals in order to maximize their independence in the community and in their home, through habilitative services to improve and/or maintain activities of daily living skills, medication administration/monitoring, mobility, sensory-motor and adaptive physical functioning, reality orientation, emotional adjustment, communication, community safety, , public transportation use, appropriate social interaction, and community awareness.
- D. To regularly review the progress of individuals that participate in CLS Services through North Bay to assure that they are receiving those services most appropriate to their current needs, that appropriate progress is being made toward treatment goals and that service methods are congruent with the person's dreams, wishes, and desires.
- E. To confer/consult with BABHA and other community agency personnel regarding person-centered planning and appropriateness of all services provided.
- F. To serve as consultant/resource to community health care agencies, specialized residential homes, legislators, citizens and other Bay or Arenac County agencies relative to BABHA's continuum of services.
- G. To provide supports and services to people who experience an intellectual/developmental disability, mental illness, and severe emotional disturbances, so that they can craft a personally meaningful life in our community.
- H. To be aware of health and safety wherever supports are to be provided. To assure the protection of the individual rights and privileges of each person, as guaranteed by the Michigan Mental Health Code, the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Michigan.

### **Program Hours of Operation:**

A. North Bay CLS services are provided generally during 8:00am-5:00pm but are flexible to meet the needs of the individual.

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**B.** In the event of bad weather, North Bay Program will follow the same policies and procedures as outlined by BABH. Community connecting may be limited during these time.

### **Documentation:**

- A. North Bay staff will complete a daily progress note that includes all Medicaid required information and details the services the individual received that day. Progress notes are completed in the electronic health record and will include these required elements.
  - Date
  - Start and Stop Time
  - CLS services provided and information on what occurred during the day
  - Location of service
  - Progress toward goal
  - Signature and staff credential
- B. Progress notes are to be completed within 24 hours of service.

## **Attachments**

N/A

### **Related Forms**

Community Connecting Permission Form (G:\BABH\Clinical Services/Master Clinical Files)

## **Related Materials**

North Bay Brochure

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P. Carlson	P. Carlson	01/05/10	Revision	Update to current practices
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C. Pennell		09/25/16	No changes	Triennial review
E. Albrecht	C. Pinter	03/30/17	Revision	Combined numerous policies and procedures into one P & P. Added HCBS language related to choice and control and community based. Enhanced language on documentation and addressed services to persons in specialized residential
C. Pennell	K. Amon	11/1/18	Revision	Triennial Review/HCBS language
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N. Sweet/L. Blohm	H. Beson	9/24/2024	Revision	Change to program model from center based to community based and to transition based CLS program.