I. PURPOSE:
To define Community Mental Health of Ottawa County (CMHOC) responsibilities in providing notice to consumers of the availability of family planning services and health information.

II. APPLICATION:
All CMHOC staff, volunteers, and contract agency staff as specified by contract.

III. DEFINITIONS:
Family Planning Services: a specialized counseling service which focuses on values clarification and decision-making about such issues as marriage, sexuality, birth control, and childbearing.

IV. POLICY:
It is the policy of CMHOC to provide notice of availability of family planning and health information to consumers and make referrals when appropriate.

V. PROCEDURE:
A. The individual in charge of the consumer's written plan of service shall provide the consumer, their guardian, or parents of a minor with notice of the availability of family planning and health information services.
B. Upon request from the consumer, guardian, or parent of a minor the individual in charge of the written plan will provide referral assistance to providers of family planning and health information services.
C. The individual in charge of the written plan will provide follow up to the referral and assure the coordination of services as appropriate, consistent with the standard procedure for the development of the individualized plan of service.
D. The consumer shall be informed that the receipt of mental health services, or discharge, is in no way dependent upon the request or decision to act on the family planning or health information services.
E. If a consumer during the course of treatment requests information in the areas of abortion, sterilization, or contraception, the case manager, supports coordinator, or clinician shall make a referral to the appropriate agency whose mandates cover these areas.
F. The notice will include a statement that mental health services are not contingent upon receiving family planning services.

VI. ATTACHMENT:
None Applicable

VII. REFERENCE:  Michigan Mental Health Code and Administrative Rules Part 7
MDHHS-ORR Attachment B