



SAGINAW COUNTY
COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH AUTHORITY

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**Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority
Awarded Three-Year CARF Accreditation**

SAGINAW, MI – Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority (SCCMHA) received notice that they were awarded another Three-Year Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF). This is the third accreditation that the international accrediting body has awarded to SCCMHA.

This accreditation outcome represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the standards established by CARF. "This achievement is an indication of SCCMHA's dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of the persons served. Services, personnel and documentation clearly indicate an established pattern of practice excellence," as stated by President/CEO of CARF, Brian J. Boon, Ph.D.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation

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SCCMHA CARF ACCREDITATION

Facilities, and now known as CARF, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

“We are very pleased with the results of the accreditation process,” says SCCMHA CEO Sandra Lindsey. “The real winners here are consumers we serve. This accreditation means that consumers can be confident that SCCMHA has made, and will continue to make, a commitment to enhancing the quality of our services and programs.”

As quoted on the CARF Survey Report “the dedication, enthusiasm, and skills of staff members are evident in observing their interaction with consumers and in the overwhelmingly positive feedback from persons served about the benefits of the services they receive and how these services have changed their lives.”

Programs and services surveyed included Assessment and Referral: Mental Health (Adults, Children and Adolescents), Case Management/Services Coordination: Mental Health (Adults, Children and Adolescents), Crisis Intervention: Mental Health (Adults, Children and Adolescents), Intensive Family-Based Services: Mental Health (Adults, Children and Adolescents) and Outpatient Treatment: Mental Health (Adults, Children and Adolescents).

For a complete copy of the survey report, contact SCCMHA at (989) 797-3400.

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Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority is headquartered at 500 Hancock Street in Saginaw. SCCMHA provides numerous services including evaluations, screenings, treatment and referrals. SCCMHA assists approximately 5,000 Saginaw County citizens annually. Learn more at sccmha.org.