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**SAGINAW COUNTY
COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH AUTHORITY**

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

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) after their site visit November 2-4, 2022.

This is the seventh three-year accreditation 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.

"We could not be more pleased with the result of this CARF Survey," said Sandra M. Lindsey, SCCMHA Chief Executive Officer. "The results, which represent near perfect compliance with more than 1,700 standards, are the best survey results we have experienced in more than 20 years. and accomplished during a pandemic to boot. This is such a testimonial for and validation of the committed and talented staff at SCCMHA, all of whom are also called out in the report findings. Lastly, and most importantly, this result also means the consumers and families served by SCCMHA can continue to be confident in our commitment to continuously enhancing the quality of our services and supports."

An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process. It has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit its commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable and of the highest quality.

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

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

SCCMHA is headquartered at 500 Hancock Street in Saginaw. It provides numerous services including evaluations, screenings, treatments and referrals.

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