

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL ENTITY  
ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL**

**POLICY NAME:** OUT-OF-NETWORK PROVIDERS POLICY  
**CHAPTER:** FIVE – PROVIDER NETWORK & CONTRACT MANAGEMENT  
**POLICY #:** 05-01-009  
**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 23, 2014

**PURPOSE**

To assure adequate and timely access to covered services for individuals receiving services.

**APPLICATION**

This policy applies to the five Member Community Mental Health Services Programs (CMHSPs), and the NMRE Substance Use Disorder Services provider panel.

**POLICY**

The NMRE will contract with Community Mental Health Services Programs and the Northern Michigan Regional Entity Substance Use Disorder Services provider panel to provide for an array of behavioral health services for individuals with mental illness, intellectual/developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders. The five Member Community Mental Health Services Programs will contract with appropriate providers to meet their service demands. If the Community Mental Health Services Program is unable to provide necessary services, covered under the NMRE Contract, to a particular individual, the Community Mental Health Services Program must adequately and timely cover the services out-of-network for the individual for as long as the Community Mental Health Services Program is unable to provide them.

**REFERENCE**

PL 105-33, Balanced Budget Act (BBA) 438.206(b)(4)

REVISED: April 21, 2016

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