Region V Systems

Network Management Procedures CARF Standards 14 & 15

Communication/Exchange of Information Procedures

The following procedures are established for Region V Systems (the Network) and its Provider Network when addressing a system of communication/exchange of information.

Upon enrollment, throughout service delivery, and as a part of transition/discharge planning, Network Providers will:

- 1. Screen persons served to identify other existing providers of medical and behavioral health services.
- 2. Document in the record of persons served the attempt to collect such information.
- 3. If applicable, obtain releases for exchange of information.
- 4. Initiate and maintain contact with other treating providers throughout the episode of care for coordination of services.

Region V Systems will:

- 1. Require Network Providers to be accredited in Region V's Network.
- 2. Require Network Providers to, on a regular basis, train staff on confidentiality, including 42 CFR and HIPPA, as applicable.
- 3. Conduct site visit audits of a sample of client records to verify that Network Providers are in compliance with obtaining releases of information and exchanging information with other providers to coordinate services.
- 4. Conduct site visit audits of a sample of personnel records to verify compliance with training requirements.

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