

# The Right Door for Hope, Recovery, and Wellness

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## PROCEDURE

### Application

This procedure shall apply to The Right Door for Hope, Recovery and Wellness and all services operated by or under contract with it. This procedure shall serve as a guide to assure compliance with Board policy regarding Recipient Rights.

1. When a person served refuses treatment or refuses to sign consent for treatment it will be the responsibility of the Agency employee or independent contractor or their employee who is assigned to the person served to explain the consequences of the refusal of treatment. An explanation of the consequences of refusal to accept treatment shall include but not be limited to:
  - 1.1. The nature and purpose of the treatment procedure or treatment plan.
  - 1.2. The risks associated with the treatment being recommended, including discomfort or side effects.
  - 1.3. Benefits to be reasonably expected.
  - 1.4. A disclosure of appropriate alternatives to the person served and an offer to answer further inquiries.
2. Whenever a person served refuses medication that is being prescribed by an Agency psychiatrist, only the Agency psychiatrist or assigned medical staff shall explain the consequences of that refusal to the person served.
3. Any refusal of treatment will be documented in the record of the person served, including a description of all of the consequences which were explained by the assigned Agency employee or the independent contractor or their employee.

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4. The Agency employee or independent contractor or their employee who has informed the person served of the consequences of refusal of treatment shall meet with their immediate supervisor to review the refusal.
5. Should the immediate supervisor determine there is a potential of substantial harm to the person served due to the refusal of treatment by the person served, the immediate supervisor shall comply with Recipient Rights disclosure policies and procedures, and immediately notify the CEO or his/her designee.

Kerry Possehn, Chief Executive Officer		Date	