

PATHWAYS CMH

PROCEDURE TITLE: ARC/HIV Procedure – Appendix 14 Privacy Policy	CATEGORY: Recipient Rights
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RESPONSIBLE PARTY/APPROVAL: Recipient Rights Supervisor or Designee/ Mary J. Swift, CEO	

PURPOSE:

To protect the rights of recipients.

PROCEDURES:

1. Information pertaining to an individual’s HIV infection or diagnosis of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome or AIDS related condition (ARC) is confidential and shall not be disclosed in conjunction with an individual’s clinical or medical record unless expressly authorized in writing by the individual.
2. If the individual is legally incapacitated or a minor, the written authorization may be executed by the guardian or parent with legal custody.
3. If the recipient is a minor who is receiving co-occurring services, the minor’s signature is required on the written authorization.
4. Information pertaining to an individual’s HIV infection or diagnosis of ARC may be disclosed to the Department of Health and Human Services, a local health department or other health care provider for one or more of the following purposes:
 - a. To protect the health of an individual.
 - b. To prevent further transmission of HIV.
 - c. To diagnosis or care for a patient.
5. If a Pathways employee suspects that a report should be made they should immediately consult their supervisor and the Pathways Privacy Officer.

REFERENCES:

MCL 333.5131