

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

OVERSEEING COMMITTEE: Health & Environmental Services

DEPARTMENT: Community Mental Health Services

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APPOINTMENTS MADE BY: Board of Commissioners

ORIGIN: Established under Michigan's Mental Health Code, Act 258,
Public Acts of Michigan (1974 as amended).

LOGISTICS: Applicants should submit Application for Appointment and Criminal History Form to:
Macomb County Board of Commissioners
Attention: Director of Board Services
1 S. Main St., 9th Floor
Mt. Clemens, MI 48043

COMPOSITION:

Members: 12 members (see below)

Tenure: 3 years

Membership All members of the Board must be 18 years of age or older and a resident of Macomb County.

Designation: At least 4 members must be primary consumers or family members; and at least 2 Board members must be primary consumers. Not more than 4 members may be County Commissioners and not more than 1/2 of the Board may be state, county or local public officials and having a residence in Macomb County. A member cannot be employed by the Community Mental Health Program (CMHP), be a party to a contract, or administer or benefit financially from a contract with CMHP; or may a member serve in a policy making position with an agency under contract with CMHP.

FUNCTION:

In broad terms, the Community Mental Health Services Board is charged with providing a comprehensive array of mental health services appropriate to needs of the primary consumers located within its service area, regardless of the ability to pay for the service. By statute, the members are representative of providers of mental health services, recipients or consumers of mental health services, agencies and occupations having a working involvement with mental health services and the general public.

The County Board of Commissioners elected to provide community mental health services and thus MCL §330.1212 requires that the Community Mental Health Services Board be established.

MCL §330.1224 requires that the Board members receive "a per diem no larger than the highest per diem for members of other county advisory boards set by the county board of commissioners and be reimbursed for necessary travel expenses for each meeting attended. The mileage expense fixed by the County Board of Commissioners shall not exceed the mileage reimbursement as determined by the state officers compensation commission. A board member shall not receive more than 1 per diem payment per day regardless of the number of meetings scheduled by the board for that day."

Payment to the members is mandatory. They currently receive a per diem of \$35.00.