COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL				
Chapter **Program Quality**	**Section** **Recipient Rights**	**Chapter** **05**	**Section** **01**	**Subject** **06**
Subject **Least Restrictive Setting**	**Authorization**		**Approved: 03/25/97** **Replaces: 07/25/95**	

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I. PURPOSE: To safeguard the rights of recipients.

II. APPLICATION: All programs under the governance of the Gogebic Community Mental Health Authority (GCMHA).

III. DEFINITIONS:

Least restrictive: To be free of nonessential restrictions or limitations in all areas of one's life.

IV. POLICY: Services shall be provided in the least restrictive setting that is appropriate and available.

V. PROCEDURE: A review of the least restrictive setting will be conducted as part of the annual treatment team meeting.

VI. REFERENCES AND LEGAL AUTHORITY: Act 258 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended (Mental Health Code), Section 708

VII. EXHIBITS: None