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| **MONTCALM CARE NETWORK**  **611 North State Street, Stanton, MI 48888** | |
| SUBJECT: Seclusion | Section: 8920 |
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1. Recipients have the right to be free from any form of seclusion used as a means of coercion, discipline, convenience or retaliation.
2. Seclusion means temporary placement of a recipient in a room alone where egress is prevented by any means. This definition includes holding an unlocked door closed to prevent a recipient from leaving a room.
3. Time out means a voluntary response to the therapeutic suggestion to a recipient to remove himself or herself from a stressful situation in order to prevent a potentially hazardous outcome.
4. Therapeutic de-escalation means an intervention, the implementation of which is incorporated in the individualized written plan of service, wherein the recipient is placed in an area or room, accompanied by staff who shall therapeutically engage the recipient in behavioral de-escalation techniques and debriefing as to the cause and future prevention of the target behavior.
5. The utilization of seclusion requires application and monitoring by specialized personnel who are not available in a community setting. Therefore, the use of seclusion will not be permitted in residential and other program settings.
6. Montcalm Care Network's Office of Recipient Rights will review the seclusion policies of contractual providers of inpatient services and child care institutions.