San Joaquin County Behaavioral Health Services Quality Improvement & Compliance Office 1212 North California Street Stockton, CA 95202



Return Address:

## **Client Rights**

You have the right to:

- Request services in your preferred language and receive free interpreting services.
- Request a change of provider or second opinion
- File a grievance or appeal (you are not subject to discrimination or penalty for filing a grievance or appeal).
- Review your case file or records before and during the appeal process
- Authorize another person to act on your behalf.
- Request a State Fair Hearing, if you are a Medi-Cal beneficiary by calling or writing to:

State Fair Hearing Division California Department of Social Services PO Box 944243, Mail Station 19-37 Sacramento, CA 94244-2430

> Telephone: 1-800-952-5253 Or TDD: 1-800-952-8349 (for Hearing Impaired)

If you have Medi-Cal you have the right to request a State Fair Hearing after the appeal process has been completed. San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services will ensure that services are continued while an appeal or State Fair Hearing is pending. San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services

Please include your name, address, and phone number where you can be reached or a message can be left for you about your Standard Appeal

Contact one of the <u>Advocates</u> listed inside this form if:

- You need immediate help, or want to talk to someone about a problem,
- This Appeal is not resolved to your satisfaction.

To mail this Standard Appeal Form, put a stamp on it, fold it, and mail it to the address printed on the other side.

You may also put this form in the suggestion box in the lobby of any clinic at San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services. If you prefer, you can just give the form to any San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services staff member, who will give it to the Quality Improvement & Compliance Office to process.

## San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services

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## **Standard Appeal**

If you don't agree with changes to your treatment, a reduction in your services, or a denial of any services at San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Services, we encourage you to discuss the reason and the alternatives with any clinical staff member.

If you choose, you have the right to file a <u>Standard Appeal</u>. This completed form will be given to the Departmental Manager of the area where the problem occurred. The manager will contact you with a resolution within 45 working days. At any time before, during, or after the appeal process has begun, you have the right to file for a fair hearing with the California Department of Health Services. Write below what services have been changed, reduced, or denied, and why you don't agree with the decision:

Please leave a number or address where you may be contacted.

Name:					
Phone:		Μ	lessage Phone?	Yes	No
Address (optional):					
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\*To mail, fold this form so our return address is visible.

For reasons of confidentiality, close and fasten with a small piece of clear tape. Add a postage stamp.

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Date:

For more information, you can call a number below:

Consumer Support Warm Line
(209) 468-3585

 Patient's Rights Advocate (all ages)
Telephone: (209) 468-8676
Fax: (209) 468-2399

Family Advocate
(209) 401-6087

 Consumer Outreach Coordinator and
Consumer Advisory Council (CAC) (209) 468-3498 (209) 953-5601

Parent Partners
(Children And Youth Services)
(209) 468-2241 or
(209) 468-3690

Southeast Asian Languages

(Cambodian, Hmong, Khmu, Laotian, and Vietnamese languages) (209) 953-8843

Problem Resolution Line

(209) 468-9393 in Stockton (866) 468-9393 outside of Stockton

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