

# POLICY

<b>CUMBERLAND COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER</b>	Section No. 40 Page 1 of 1
Subject: Emergency/Crisis Services Effective Date: Responsible Official: Assistant Area Director of Clinical Services	Supersedes: New Dated:
Approved by the Area Board on _____. Recorded in Area Board Minutes, dated _____, paragraph _____, page ____.	

Cumberland County Mental Health Center shall provide or facilitate access to appropriate emergency and crisis services to individuals residing in the catchment area. Services will be available twenty (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

- a. Emergency services will be linked closely to the Access to Care system to ensure appropriate screening, assessment, referral and provision of services.
- b. Emergency services will offer an array of services, supports and interventions/treatments.
- c. Collaboration will occur with other community partners to include, but not limited to, the hospital, social services, and law enforcement to support diversion of individuals from hospitalization, to offer timely access to more comprehensive assessments, and linkage to appropriate levels of care in the community.
- d. Best practice models for community based crisis services will be utilized.