

## CENTRAL CARE POLICY SUICIDE PRECAUTIONS

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| SUBJECT:                | <b>SUICIDE PRECAUTIONS</b> |
| ANNUAL REVIEW MONTH:    | June                       |
| RESPONSIBLE FOR REVIEW: | Director of Central Care   |
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It is the responsibility of all Central Care Community Homes employees to provide optimal care and treatment for all residents. Any change in emotional or behavioral patterns must be promptly reported to the Team Leaders and Service Directors.

All individuals displaying emotional or behavioral pattern change will be initially assessed by the Team Leader unless imminent danger is observed. The Team Leader will refer persons displaying danger to selves or others to the attending community physician, or inpatient admission physician, if substantial risk is observed. The attending physician will determine level of care/supervision needed as well as aftercare needs.

The Service Director in conjunction with the Staff Development and Training Coordinator is responsible for ensuring all employees in direct care are adequately trained in suicide precautions through the College of Direct Support and Essential Learning. If additional training should be required, the Service Director will request such training through Staff Development and Training.

The Staff Development and Training Coordinator will facilitate all needed trainings with the Services Directors.

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Director of Central Care

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