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TO: Don Gookin, HHS Community Systems Consultant
FROM: Lori A. Elam, CEO Eastern Iowa MHDS Region
RE: Revised Management Plan- Policies and Procedures Manual

This letter serves as a summary of all the changes made in the Eastern Iowa MHDS Region's Management Plan- Policies and Procedures Manual. Many of the changes were made in response to the passage of House File 471 during the 2023 Legislative Session.

1. Updates were made to the Governing Board of Directors purpose, goals and objectives as well as the membership. Two new positions were added: an individual representing law enforcement and an individual representing the judicial system. (Page 4)
2. The Advisory Committees were updated- one adult advisory committee and one children's advisory committee and their memberships. (Pages 4-5)
3. Updates were made regarding duties of the Regional Management Team. (Page 5)
4. Updates were made regarding Risk Management and Fiscal Viability. The region may contract for a variety of services and the region must comply with Iowa Code regarding deposits and investments of region funds. (Page 8)
5. Updates were made in the Judicial and Criminal Justice system (other stakeholders). Crisis services, jail based care coordinators and mental health evaluations and treatment services are now provided in the county jails. (Page 10)
6. Additional information regarding behavioral health services for children was added to "other stakeholders". (Page 11)
7. Additional information regarding budgeting, annual time studies and one time funding opportunities was added. (Page 13)
8. Updated the definition of intellectual disability. (Page 20)
9. Updated service and functional assessment information (Page 21)
10. Updated service provider payment provisions (Pages 28-29)

Respectfully,

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