

Please review the following instructions before sending the SPOA Application:

1. Complete the Eligibility Checklist (page 2)

**SPOA UNIT**  
**Attn: Victoria Winchester, Adult SPOA Coordinator**  
**Sullivan County Department of Community Services**  
**20 Community Lane**  
**Liberty, New York 12754**  
**Phone number (845) 513-2008**  
**Fax number (845) 513-2110**

2. Please review REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FORM below. Referrals will NOT be considered complete without:  
Complete SPOA Application  
Clinical Information as specified below.
3. Upon receipt, application will be reviewed by SCDCS for completeness. Incomplete Applications will be returned to the referring party.

For questions regarding the SPOA Application, please call 845 513-2008.

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION**

Required Documents	Care Management	CR	TX APT	SH
Eligibility Determination	X	X	X	X
Referral Form	X	X	X	X
Psychiatric Evaluation (Including DSM VI and Current within 90 days)	X	X	X	X
Psychosocial (Must support Eligibility Determination)	X	X	X	X
Physical Exam & Immunization Record		X	X	
Authorization for Restorative Services <b>(MUST BE ORIGINAL)</b>		X	X	

**NOTE: All SPOA applications have to be single-sided and all clinical backup must be less than a year old**

**Eligibility Determination**

In order to be eligible for services through SCDS, applicants for Housing or Case Management Services must be diagnosed with severe and persistent mental illness. Please complete the checklist below to determine if the applicant is eligible for services. A must be met. In addition, B, C, or D must be met:

Yes  No  **A. The individual is 18 years of age or older and currently meets the criteria for a primary diagnosis other than alcohol or drug disorders, developmental disabilities, dementias, or mental disorders due to general medical conditions, except those with predominantly psychiatric features, or social conditions.**

Yes  No  **B. SSI or SSDI Enrollment due to Mental Illness. The applicant is currently enrolled in SSI or SSDI *DUE TO A DESIGNATED MENTAL ILLNESS.***

Yes  No  **C. Extended Impairment in Functioning due to Mental Illness. The applicant must meet 1 or 2 below:**

1. The individual has experienced two of the following four functional limitations *due to a designated mental illness over the past 12 months on a continuous or intermittent basis.* (Documentation in psychosocial assessment required.)

- Yes  No  a. **Marked difficulties in self-care.**
- Yes  No  b. **Marked restrictions of activities of daily living.**
- Yes  No  c. **Marked difficulties in maintaining social functioning.**
- Yes  No  d. **Frequent deficiencies of concentration, persistence or pace resulting in failure to complete tasks in a timely manner in work, home or school setting.**

Yes  No  **D. Reliance on Psychiatric Treatment, Rehabilitation and Supports.**  
(Dates and facility must be documented in Referral Form)

- Yes  No  One six month stay in an inpatient psychiatric unit
- Yes  No  Two stays of any length in an inpatient psychiatric unit in the preceding two years.
- Yes  No  Three or more admissions to an OMH operated or licensed mental health outpatient program or forensic satellite unit operated by OMH.
- Yes  No  Three or more contacts Crisis or emergency mental health services or a combination of any 3 contact within the preceding 18 months.
- Yes  No  Six months consecutive residency in a designated Adult Home.
- Yes  No  Six months consecutive residency in a Residential Care Center for Adults (RCCA)
- Yes  No  Six months consecutive residency in a Residential Treatment Facility (RTF)

**Applicant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ Medicaid #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. #: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
County of residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Citizenship: Yes \_\_\_ No (if no, immigration status): \_\_\_\_\_

**Ethnicity**

\_\_\_ White (Non-Hispanic) \_\_\_ Black (Non-Hispanic)  
\_\_\_ Latino/Hispanic \_\_\_ Asian/Asian American  
\_\_\_ Native American \_\_\_ Pacific Islander  
\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Language**

\_\_\_ English \_\_\_ Spanish \_\_\_ Chinese \_\_\_ French  
\_\_\_ Italian \_\_\_ Russian \_\_\_ German \_\_\_ Japanese  
\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Custody Status of Children**

\_\_\_ No children  
\_\_\_ Children are all above 18 years of age  
\_\_\_ Minor children currently in client's custody  
\_\_\_ Number of children: \_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Minor children not in client's custody but have access  
\_\_\_ Minor children not in client's custody – no access

**Current Living Situation**

\_\_\_ Room \_\_\_ Homeless (shelter)  
\_\_\_ Own apt \_\_\_ Homeless (streets)  
\_\_\_ Supervised Living \_\_\_ Nursing Home  
\_\_\_ Supported Housing \_\_\_ Psychiatric Hospital  
\_\_\_ Lives with spouse \_\_\_ Lives with Parents  
\_\_\_ Correctional facility \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Insurance and financial information: Currently receives**

Social Security  Earned Income/Wages   
SSI/SSD  Food Stamps   
Public Assistance  VA Benefits   
Medicaid  Representative Payee   
Medicare  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Referral source (including RPC Long Stay)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Current diagnosis:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Current medical conditions:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Psychosocial and environmental problems:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Current medications:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Outpatient Treatment Provider:**

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Substance Abuse History : Please List Drugs of Choice**

Length of Time Recipient Has Been Substance Free: \_\_\_\_\_

**Criminal Justice – Current Status**

\_\_\_ None    \_\_\_ Incarcerated-Jail    \_\_\_ Incarcerated-Prison    \_\_\_ CPL 330.20/730  
\_\_\_ Probation    \_\_\_ Parole    \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of arrests/incarcerations in past year \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lifetime arrests \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Arrest: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Assisted Outpatient Treatment**

Does the person have court ordered AOT under Kendra's Law?    \_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_ No  
Is an AOT under Kendra's Law currently being pursued?    \_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_ No

**Case Management Service Requested**

\_\_\_ Health Home Care Management    \_\_\_ CSS Care Management

Is there a specific case management program requested? \_\_\_\_\_

**Residential Services Requested**

- \_\_\_ Supervised Community Residence
- \_\_\_ Supportive Apartments
- \_\_\_ Treatment Apartment Programs
- \_\_\_ RSS Supported Housing
- \_\_\_ Chestnut Street Apartments
- \_\_\_ Invisible Children's Program (for families with children under the age of 18).
- \_\_\_ Family Care
- \_\_\_ Golden Ridge Supported Housing
- \_\_\_ COC Housing
- \_\_\_ ACCESS SFL TLS (AKA Treatment Apartment)
- \_\_\_ Scattered Sites Housing Program

Geographical Preference/Community: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recipient Requests:**

Recipient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Referring Party Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc.**  
**Service Authorization for Adult Community  
 Residences  
 and Treatment Apartment Programs**

- A. Type of Authorization:  Initial Authorization  
 Re-Authorization

B. Client's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Client's Medicaid Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned licensed physician/practitioner, based on either:

a) **INITIAL AUTHORIZATION:** Must be signed by a physician **ONLY** and based upon clinical information and a face to face assessment of the individual

OR

b) **RE-AUTHORIZATION:** Must be signed by a Physician, Physician Assistant or Nurse Practitioner in Psychiatry.

D. have determined that \_\_\_\_\_ would benefit from the provision  
 (client's name)  
 of community rehabilitation services as known to me and defined pursuant to 14 NYCRR Part 593.

E. This determination is in effect for the period \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, at which time there will be an evaluation of continued stay.

ICD.10 Primary Mental Health Diagnosis Code	F				
F. ICD.10 Diagnosis _____					
Name of Practitioner (Please Print):				Practitioner's License#	
<input type="checkbox"/> Physician <input type="checkbox"/> Physician Asst. <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Practitioner in Psychiatry					
G. Signature of Practitioner			Date		Practitioner's NPI #

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Initial Authorization:** Must be a Face to Face visit with a PHYSICIAN: Residents, PA's or NPP's cannot sign for the physician. Complete sections F and G.

**Re-Authorization:** PHYSICIAN, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, NURSE PRACTITIONER IN PSYCHIATRY  
 Complete Section F and G

RSS Staff: Complete Sections A, B, C, D and E and NPI # if blank

**ACCESS: Supports for Living Inc.**  
**MH Residential**  
**Service Authorization**

- Initial (admission) Authorization *(requires face to face contact in writing signed by NYS licensed physician for Residential Services)*
- Semi-Annual re-authorization *(CR resident only / every 6 month. Does not require face to face contacts)*
- Annual re-authorization *(Supportive Apt Treatment residents / every 12 months) Does not require face to face contacts) check regs. MD or NP can sign*

**Client's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Client's Medicaid Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Based on my examination of \_\_\_\_\_ and/or a review of the documentation  
 (Resident's name)  
 made available to me, I have determined that this individual would benefit from the provision of  
 mental health restorative services defined pursuant to Part 593 of 14 NYCRR.

This determination is in effect for the period \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_,  
 at which time there will be an evaluation for continued stay.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Physician completes this section ↓

Diagnosis (ICD 10): _____		
_____ Month/Day/Year	_____ MD/NP Name ( Please Print)	_____ NYS Licensure #
_____ Signature		

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check here if client is enrolled in Managed Care (e.g. an HMO or Managed Care Coordinator Program) and enter primary care physician name and Managed Care provider.
Primary Care Physician Name:	_____
Managed Care Provider:	_____

**SULLIVAN COUNTY SINGLE POINT OF ACCESS  
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**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

**Notice:** This release cannot be used for the release of HIV- related information nor for the re-disclosure of confidential information provided to the agencies listed below except as allowable by law.

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Extent or Nature of Information to be Disclosed:</b>                  Contents of the SPOA Referral Packet including but not limited to:                  Psychiatric Assessment/Core Evaluation                  Psychosocial Assessment/Core History                  Hospital Admission and Discharge Plan (if appropriate)                  Physical Examination and TB Test Results                  List of Medications                  Physician's Authorization                  Other: _____</p>		
<p><b>Purpose or Need for Information</b>                  To facilitate a referral for residential and/or care coordination services, determine eligibility for such services, and assess appropriateness of applicant for the various programs available.</p>		
<p><b>Information Being Disclosed From: (Name, Address, and Title of Person/Organization/Facility/Program)</b></p>		
<p>All referrals go directly to SPOA Coordinator, who then distributes relevant information to the SPOA Committee including:                  Access: Supports for Living, Inc. (Devon Mgmt./Golden Ridge)      SunRiver Health Care                  Action Toward Independence      SYNERGY                  A-SPOA Referral Source      Sullivan County Probation                  Garnet Health Medical Center (formerly Catskill Regional Medical Center)      NYS Dept. of Corrections and Community Supervision                  EESHI Scattered Sites Program      OPWDD                  Hudson Valley Community Services      Sullivan County Office for the Aging                  Independent Living, Inc.                  NYS Office of Mental Health                  Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc.                  Rockland Psychiatric Center/Rockland Psychiatric Center MTR                  Sullivan County Center for Workforce Development                  Sullivan County Department of Community Services                  Sullivan County Department of Social Services                  Kearney Realty and Development Group (Chestnut Street Apartments)                  Sara Watson, ODTA (Office of Temporary and Disability) Program Manager                  Unite Us</p>		
<p>I hereby authorize the release of the above information to the persons/organizations/facilities/programs identified above. I understand that the information is confidential and protected from disclosure. I also understand that I have the right to cancel my permission to release information at any time in writing. This authorization will expire when I am no longer receiving SPOA services.</p>		
<p>_____                  Signature of Applicant</p>		<p>_____                  Date Signed</p>
<p>_____                  Signature of Witness</p>	<p>_____                  Relationship to Applicant</p>	<p>_____                  Date Signed</p>