

# COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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## **CAMERA**

### **DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES**

In order to be eligible for Bridger, SCM, ICM or ACT team services an individual must have a primary diagnosis of a major mental illness as described in the DSM IV. The primary diagnosis cannot be drug/alcohol, mental retardation, organic disorder or developmental disability. The target population is the serious and persistently mentally ill client (SPMI) whose diagnosable mental illness significantly impairs his/her ability to function in the community without supports.

#### **BRIDGER:**

These services are generally applied for when a client is inpatient and preparing for discharge into the community, approximately 1 to 2 weeks prior to discharge. Bridger services are also used for clients already living in the community who require short-term assistance. The primary goal of these services is to help facilitate the transition of individuals from an inpatient status to the community with full use of community services.

#### **TRADITIONAL INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES (ICM):**

These services share the same goals as SCM however are intended for high risk and heavy users of mental health services who may be homeless, MICA, MI/MR and/or forensic clients who may not be linked to treatment programs. ICM services provide a minimum of four face-to-face visits per month with caseloads at 1:12.

#### **BLENDED AND FLEXIBLE INTENSIVE AND SUPPORTIVE CASE MANAGEMENT:**

In 2001 changes in case management provided for the more flexible services of a blended team model. Services are provided by a team of ICMs and SCMs with shared caseloads. ICMs on the team provide clinical supervision to SCMs. All clients on the blended team must receive a minimum of two face-to-face visits per month. The blended team approach allows for clients served by the team to receive additional visits as required without the need for a change in level of service. ICM caseloads are 1:12, SCM caseloads are 1:30. The decision for placement on the blended team is made by CAMERA and/or the case management agency.

**ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT TEAM (ACT):**

These services share the same goals as ICM however are intended for those clients most at risk. Priority is given to individuals with continuous high service needs that are not being met in more traditional service settings. This would include clients with serious functional impairments which prevent them from consistently performing practical daily living tasks required for basic adult functioning in the community without significant support, inability to sustain employment and inability to maintain a safe living situation. These clients are generally high users of services including frequent acute psychiatric hospitalization, emergency and/or crisis services and criminal justice involvement. Intensive community-based, skills training, support and treatment services are provided by an interdisciplinary team of mental health professionals. ACT teams provide a minimum of six face-to-face visits per month, three of which may be with collaterals.

**SERVICE DOLLARS:**

Service dollars are available.

**HIPPA:**

In response to new Federal HIPPA guidelines, the client's authorization for release of confidential information will expire either 180 days from the date of signature, when the client is no longer receiving services through CAMERA or if cancelled by the client. A CAMERA Application Up-Date form has been developed to be used in cases where the client's most recent application was completed within the previous 12 months.

*All referrals for case management must be on the CAMERA application*

Mail or Fax to:  
Suffolk County Case Management  
CAMERA Unit  
Suffolk County Division of Community Mental Hygiene  
North County Complex, Building C928  
P. O. Box 6100  
Hauppauge, New York 11788  
Phone No. (631) 853-2995 Fax (631) 853-6451

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF  
CASE MANAGEMENT/ACT TEAM APPLICATIONS**

**Do not detach until ready to FAX application**

Complete pages 1 – 5 for case management and ACT Team. (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NEATLY WITH BLACK INK)

- Consent for Release of Information must be **signed and dated** by both the applicant and the witness. For ACT Referrals only – if you cannot obtain client's signature on consent, please submit application with an explanation.
- **Attach Most Recent Psychiatric Evaluation and Psycho-Social Assessment.**
- Please list the **specific number** of psychiatric hospitalizations by year, not just "multiple" or a checkmark.

Application will be reviewed and assessed for eligibility and services needed. An **incomplete application** will delay assessment for services.

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# APPLICATION FOR CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Level of Service Requested: Bridger  SCM  ICM  ACT

Referral Source \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tel # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name  
Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Discharge Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Tel# \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

Soc. Sec.# \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION I

1. Applicant's primary diagnosis code # as per DSM III-R or DSM IV \_\_\_\_\_

Diagnosis Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Codes: Axis I \_\_\_\_\_ Axis II \_\_\_\_\_ Axis III \_\_\_\_\_ Axis IV \_\_\_\_\_ Axis V \_\_\_\_\_

2. Psychotropic Medications \_\_\_\_\_

3. Outpatient Treatment Program/Clinic \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel # \_\_\_\_\_

Date of next appointment \_\_\_\_\_ Time of appointment \_\_\_\_\_

4. **NUMBER IN EACH YEAR** of Psychiatric Hospitalizations: (Do not use Checkmarks or Multiple)

Before 2003 \_\_\_\_\_ 2004 \_\_\_\_\_ 2005 \_\_\_\_\_ 2006 \_\_\_\_\_ 2007 \_\_\_\_\_ 2008 \_\_\_\_\_ 2009 \_\_\_\_\_

5. Most recent or current Psychiatric Hospitalization:

Hospital Name: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. EMERGENCY CONTACT**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tel # \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

7. Does applicant have medical coverage?  Yes  No  Pending  
Medicaid # \_\_\_\_\_ Medicare # \_\_\_\_\_ Part  A  B

Other insurance company \_\_\_\_\_

Is applicant enrolled in a Managed Care program?  Yes-Program \_\_\_\_\_  No

Does applicant have a Rep-payee?  Yes  No

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tel # \_\_\_\_\_

8. If applicant is currently receiving or has made application for the following benefits, indicate status and amount.  Active  Inactive  Pending

PA  SSI  SSD  VA Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

9. Type of Housing: Com. Res. \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Home \_\_\_\_\_ Rm&Bd \_\_\_\_\_ Supported Housing \_\_\_\_\_  
DSS Emergency Housing \_\_\_\_\_ Own Home/Apt. \_\_\_\_\_ Sober House \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

10. If applicant has children, list names, dates of birth and indicate whether living with the applicant.

Name:	Date of Birth:	Living with Applicant:
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION II: PRIMARY NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Based upon your knowledge of the applicant, to what extent will (s)he need help in the following areas in order to maintain herself/himself in the community?  
Please check appropriate level of needs and provide explanation below.

	Severe	Moderate	Mild	No Problem	Unknown
Mental Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol/ Substance Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Financial	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family/Friends/Social	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Activity of Daily Living Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employment/Vocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal Problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**SECTION III: ASSESSMENT OF PRIMARY MEDICAL NEEDS**

Medical Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

- Physical health problems requiring regular health care \_\_\_\_\_
- Physical Handicap \_\_\_\_\_
- Visual/Hearing Impairment \_\_\_\_\_
- Mental Retardation \_\_\_\_\_
- Alcohol/Substance Abuse \_\_\_\_\_
- Current Medications \_\_\_\_\_
- None     Unknown

**EXPLANATION OF NEEDS ASSESSMENTS AS INDICATED IN SECTIONS II AND III ABOVE**

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

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION IV - FORENSIC**

- On parole: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parole officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_
- On probation: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
Probation officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_
- Order of Protection: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_
- CPL order: \_\_\_\_\_
- Conditional Release: \_\_\_\_\_  Special Release: \_\_\_\_\_
- None  Unknown

**ASSAULTIVE OR VIOLENT BEHAVIOR - EXPLAIN**

- Has threatened physical violence to:
    - Self: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Others: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Unknown  Not applicable
  - Has attempted or physically harmed:
    - Self: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Others: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Unknown  Not applicable
  - Has damaged property which belongs to:
    - Self: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Others: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Unknown  Not applicable
  - Has committed:  Rape  Sexual Assault  Child Sexual/Physical Abuse
  - Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_
  - Has been a victim of:  Rape  Sexual Assault  Child Sexual/Physical Abuse
  - Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_
  - Current/past Child Protective Services Involvement  Yes  No Date \_\_\_\_\_
- Explain \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION IV  
APPLICANT'S APPOINTMENTS**

Please list any appointments applicant has within the next 4 weeks which may require assistance:

LOCATION	DATE	TIME	CONTACT PERSON	TEL #

**Applicant must sign the Consent for Release of Information.**

**CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

I accept this referral for Case Management services and hereby authorize the periodic release of information necessary to arrange for these services to any Case Management, Mental Health treatment agency or other agencies that may provide services for me. I understand that the information to be released is confidential and protected from disclosure. I also understand that I have the right to cancel my permission for release of information at any time.

My consent to release information to the CAMERA Unit and to any Case Management, Mental Health treatment agency or other agencies that may provide services for me will expire one year from this date or when I am no longer receiving services from such organization.

Signature of Applicant                      Date Signed              Signature of witness                      Title                      Date Signed

**PLEASE ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NEEDED**

**PLEASE FORWARD COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH  
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