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## **ANNOUNCING CHANGES AND ENHANCEMENTS TO ACCESS SERVICES**

Flint, Michigan – After decades of dedicated service to the community, the Intake, Assessment, and Referral Center (IARC) will be closing on June 30, 2011.

Effective July 1, 2011, Genesee County Community Mental Health (GCCMH) will expand their access services to Genesee County residents to include individuals with substance abuse treatment needs. This adds to existing access services for adults with mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbance, and individuals with developmental disabilities.

“We want to thank IARC for their years of dedication to the community in helping people find the treatment that they need to head down the road to recovery,” said Danis Russell, CEO of GCCMH. “We also want the public to know that their needs will continue to be met through our Access Center. They can call us at the number for Access, or if they call the IARC number, we will be there to answer their call and assist them with services. It is our intent that this transition be completely seamless.”

The Genesee County Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Access Center can be reached by calling 810-257-3740, TTY 810-257-6310, and Toll Free 877-346-3648. Screenings are available by phone Monday through Friday from 8-5. Crisis calls are made to the same numbers, and help is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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Genesee County CMH provides services and supports to Genesee County residents who are adults and children with developmental disabilities, adults with serious mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbance and adults and children with substance use disorders. For more information call Customer Services at (810) 257-3705.

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