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GCCMH EARN THREE-YEAR CARF ACCREDITATION

Flint, MI – Genesee County Community Mental Health is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a CARF Three-Year Accreditation for the following programs and services:

- Assertive Community Treatment (ACT): Mental Health Adults
- Case Management/Services Coordination: Mental Health Adults
- Case Management/Services Coordination: Mental Health Children and Adolescents
- Intensive Family-Based Services: Mental Health Children and Adolescents
- Community Services: Community Integration

CARF provided the audit to GCCMH on November 3-5, 2008. Their full report, dated December 4, 2008, noted that the agency had a number of strengths including their involvement with the mental health court, addressing total wellness including physical and mental health, the use of evidence based practices and the agency’s solid workforce.

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CARF commended the agency for their Customer Services Department. This department receives over 4000 calls per month and serves not only the individuals who come to GCCMH, but often the community as well. The report noted that through the Customer Services Department, the agency “demonstrates the deep caring it has by supporting all facets of the person’s life whether or not it is connected to the organization.”

The full report can be read at www.gencmh.org

“We couldn’t be more pleased and proud of this report, our staff and our commitment to the individuals who are served by our organization,” said Danis Russell, CEO of GCCMH. “The audit and report by CARF summarizes our commitment to quality services and to our community.”

Founded in 1966, CARF is an international, independent, nonprofit accreditor of human service providers and networks in the areas of aging services, behavioral health, child and youth services, employment and community services, and medical rehabilitation. The accreditation services are provided throughout the CARF International family of organizations, which includes CARF, CARF Canada, and CARF-CCAC.

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 for adults and children with substance use disorders. For more information call Customer Services at (810) 257-3705.