SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

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Policy 163 – Restitution For Damage To Property In Residential Services

I. POLICY

It is the policy of Southern Highlands Community Mental Health Center to ensure that all residents of residential facilities who damage property in a willful manner are expected to provide restitution for said property on an equal basis.

II. DISCUSSION

This policy applies to all residents of facilities operated by Southern Highlands Community Mental Health Center.

III. PROCEDURES

- A. In the event of property damage, an Adverse Incident Report will be completed and filed as per Section 176 of this manual.
- B. The resident's case manager and legal guardian (if applicable) will be notified of the incident within 24 hours. If the incident occurs on a holiday or weekend, the case manager will be notified on the next working day.
- C. Treatment team members will be notified within 72 hours if restitution is needed.
- D. The resident will be expected to pay actual damages not to exceed \$500.00, subject to the approval of the **Program Director.**
- E. The **payment plan will** be determined by the IDT.
- F. The IDT payment plan will be presented to the Chief Financial Officer.