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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** July 20, 2017

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents  
Public School Academy Directors

**FROM:** Susan Broman, Deputy Superintendent *SB*  
P-20 System and Student Transitions

**SUBJECT:** Updated Policy for Emergency Use of Seclusion and Restraint

The State Board of Education approved the Policy for Emergency Use of Seclusion and Restraint on March 14, 2017.

Since the publication of this document, it has been brought to our attention that language required under MCL 380.1307c(h)(v) was inadvertently omitted on page 10 of the Policy. The missing language addresses requirements for Emergency Seclusion and specifically states that the school personnel must, "ensure that at all times during the use of emergency seclusion there are school personnel present who can communicate with the pupil using the pupil's primary mode of communication."

The corrected version of this document is now available on Michigan Department of Education, Office of Special Education website and is located at [Policy for the Emergency Use of Seclusion and Restraint](#).

Please address any questions or concerns regarding the Updated Policy for Emergency Use of Seclusion and Restraint to Joanne Winkelman at 517-335-0457 or send an email to [winkelmanj@michigan.gov](mailto:winkelmanj@michigan.gov).

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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