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**A.10.1. Policy Statement**

The Lumacare Board of Directors recognizes the importance to consider a set criterion for decision making in order to ensure high quality decision-making, promoting consistency in decisions and to inform stakeholders on how the governing body makes decisions.

**A.10.2. Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to detail the criteria used by the governing body in decision making.

**A.10.3. Scope**

This policy applies to all Board Members.

**A.10.4. Procedure**

The Board of Directors at the annual Board orientation will review the governing body's chosen set of criteria for decision-making. When appropriate the criteria will be amended to be reflective of the Board's collective opinion. While evaluating the criteria the Board will annually discuss the weighting of the criteria for decisions.

The Board of Directors at the annual Board orientation will spend time discussing examples of past or fictional experiences, issues or incidents in order to effectively practice the execution of using the decision-making criteria in a learning environment.

**Criteria for Decision Making:**

1. **Criticality:** *It is essential to the client. If Lumacare doesn't do it, no one else will*
2. **Number of Clients Serviced:** *The demand for that program/service in the community*
3. **Quality of Life Impact:** *The degree to which that particular program/service impacts the client/family*

4. **System Contribution – Gap-sensitive:** *The degree to which the program/service solves a problem for the funders*
5. **Affordability :** *The degree to which we can afford to run the program/service; funding availability*
6. **Capacity or Competence:** *The degree to which Lumacare staff is capable of delivering the service currently or of training/building capacity to deliver it in the future*
7. **Alignment to Values and Future Vision:** *The degree to which the program/service will facilitate our future vision/priorities*
8. **Sustainability:** *short term success/risk vs. long term success/risk*

#### **A.10.5. Related Policies**

- A.1 Code of Conduct
- A.2 Confidentiality
- A.3 Conflict of Interest