

Subject Department of Human Services Policy Bill

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Overview

This bill contains DHS policy provisions related to behavioral health, aging services, economic assistance, and health care programs.

Summary

Section	Description
1	<p>Services and programs.</p> <p>Amends § 245.4661, subd. 9. Removes intensive community rehabilitative mental health services from list of services eligible for adult mental health grants.</p>
2	<p>Mental health crisis services.</p> <p>Amends § 245.469, subd. 3. Adds reference to crisis response services section. Provides an immediate effective date.</p>
3	<p>Cultural and ethnic minority infrastructure grant program.</p> <p>Proposes coding for § 245.4907. Codifies the cultural and ethnic minority infrastructure grant program (CEMIG). Requires the commissioner of human services to establish a cultural and ethnic minority infrastructure grant program, to ensure that behavioral health supports and services are culturally specific and culturally responsive.</p> <p>Outlines grant applicant eligibility and allowable grant activities; requires the commissioner to assist grantees with meeting third-party credentialing requirements; requires grantees to obtain all available third-party reimbursement sources; and specifies that grantees must serve individuals from cultural and ethnic minority communities regardless of health coverage or ability to pay for services.</p> <p>Requires grantees to provide regular data to the commissioner, to evaluate grant program effectiveness; lists evaluation criteria.</p>

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4	<p>Mental health certified peer specialist grant program.</p> <p>Proposes coding for § 245.4906. Codifies the mental health certified peer specialist grant program, to provide funding for mental health certified peer specialist training. Provides information on mental health certified peer specialist services and qualifications. Specifies eligible grant activities and outcome evaluation requirements.</p> <p>Provides an immediate effective date.</p>
5	<p>Mental health certified family peer specialist grant program.</p> <p>Proposes coding for § 245.4907. Codifies the mental health certified family peer specialist grant program, to provide funding for mental health certified family peer specialist training. Provides information on mental health certified family peer specialist services and qualifications. Specifies eligible grant activities and outcome evaluation requirements.</p> <p>Provides an immediate effective date.</p>
6	<p>Projects for assistance in transition from homelessness program.</p> <p>Proposes coding for § 245.991. Establishes the projects for assistance in transition from homelessness program, to prevent or end homelessness for people with serious mental illness or co-occurring substance use disorder, and meet the commissioner's housing mission statement goals. Lists eligible grant activities, program eligibility requirements, and outcome evaluation requirements; specifies that the commissioner must comply with all federal aid or grant requirements.</p> <p>Provides an immediate effective date.</p>
7	<p>Housing with support for adults with serious mental illness program.</p> <p>Proposes coding for § 245.992. Establishes the housing with support for adults with serious mental illness program, to prevent or end homelessness for people with serious mental illness, increase availability of housing with support, and meet the commissioner's housing mission statement goals. Lists eligible grant activities, program eligibility requirements, and outcome evaluation requirements.</p> <p>Provides an immediate effective date.</p>
8	<p>Authorized uses of grant funds.</p> <p>Amends § 256.478, by adding subd. 3. Lists allowable uses of transition to community initiative grant funds.</p>

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9	Outcomes. Amends § 256.478, by adding subd. 4. Lists program outcomes for the transition to community initiative. Provides an immediate effective date.
10	Medical assistance room and board rate. Amends § 256B.056, by adding subd. 5d. Defines “medical assistance room and board rate” in the chapter of statutes governing medical assistance. This language is moved from section 256I.03, subdivision 6.
11	Medical assistance payment for assertive community treatment and intensive residential treatment services. Amends § 256B.0622, subd. 8. Makes technical change related to medical assistance room and board rate.
12	Excluded services. Amends § 256B.0946, subd. 6. Makes technical change related to medical assistance room and board rate.
13	Noncovered services. Amends § 256B.0947, subd. 7a. Makes technical change related to medical assistance room and board rate.
14	Date of application. Amends § 256D.02, by adding subd. 20. Defines “date of application” in the chapter of statutes governing general assistance.
15	Time of payment of assistance. Amends § 256D.07. Removes certain general assistance application requirements and requires applications to be submitted according to the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance program eligibility and verification. Modifies the timeline for which the first month’s grant must cover.
16	Supportive housing. Amends § 256I.03, subd. 15. Modifies the definition of “supportive housing” in the chapter of statutes governing housing support to specify supportive housing does not include licensed assisted living settings.

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17	<p>Date of application.</p> <p>Amends § 256I.03, by adding subd. 16. Defines “date of application” in the chapter of statutes governing housing support.</p>
18	<p>Date of eligibility.</p> <p>Amends § 256I.04, subd. 2. Modifies the date of eligibility for housing assistance to conform to changes in application requirements under the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance eligibility and verification.</p>
19	<p>Filing of application.</p> <p>Amends § 256I.06, subd. 3. Modifies application requirements for housing support to conform to changes related to applications in the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance eligibility and verification.</p>
20	<p>Community living infrastructure.</p> <p>Amends § 256I.09. Allows the commissioner to award community living infrastructure grants to multi-Tribal collaboratives.</p>
21	<p>Date of application.</p> <p>Amends § 256J.08, subd. 21. Modifies the definition of “date of application” in the chapter of statutes governing MFIP to conform to changes related to application requirements in the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance eligibility and verification.</p>
22	<p>Submitting application form.</p> <p>Amends § 256J.09, subd. 3. Makes conforming changes to MFIP application requirements to align with changes in the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance eligibility and verification.</p>
23	<p>Submitting application form.</p> <p>Amends § 256J.95, subd. 5. Makes conforming changes to DWP application requirements to align with changes in the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance eligibility and verification.</p>
24	<p>Date of application.</p> <p>Amends § 256P.01, by adding subd. 2b. Defines “date of application” in the chapter of statutes governing economic assistance eligibility and verification.</p>

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25	Application submission. Amends § 256P.04, by adding subd. 1a. Lays out application requirements for programs governed by the economic assistance eligibility and verification chapter of statutes.
26	Revisor instruction. Instructs the revisor of statutes to: (1) renumber the subdivisions in the statutes containing definitions for the general assistance and housing support programs so that the definitions are in alphabetical order; and (2) correct any cross-references that change as a result of the renumbering.
27	Repealer. Repeals Minn. Stat. § 256I.03, subd. 6 (medical assistance room and board rate). This language was moved to § 256B.056, subd. 5d.



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