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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill allows children's case management services to continue past the child's 18th birthday. It appropriates funds to the commissioner of human services for a statewide expansion of the parent support outreach program, for intensive treatment projects for adolescents and young adults who are experiencing their first psychotic episode, for training mental health and health professionals, and for school-linked mental health services.

Section

- 1** **Exception to formulary.** Amends §62Q.527, subd. 4. Adds that a health plan must grant an exception to the health plan's formulary for specified patients when the drug is included in a research-based protocol on treating first episode psychosis.
- 2** **Availability of case management services.** Amends §245.4881, subd. 1. Requires case management services to continue for a child over age 18 with a serious emotional disturbance if requested by the child or the child's family. Requires that before discontinuation of case management services a transition plan must be developed before the child's 18th or the young adult's 26th birthday. Provides that the service recipient and the recipient's parent, guardian, or legal representative must develop the transition plan.
- 3** **Appropriations.**
 - Subd. 1. Parent support outreach program.** Provides an unspecified appropriation from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for a statewide expansion of the parent support outreach program.

Section

Subd. 2. Treatment for adolescent and young adult first psychotic episode.

Provides an unspecified appropriation from the general fund to the commissioner of human services to fund projects for intensive treatment and supports to adolescents and young adults who are experiencing their first psychotic symptoms or episode.

Subd. 3. Training for mental health professionals on early psychosis. Provides an unspecified appropriation from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for training mental health and health care professionals on early psychosis, including screening tools and best practices.

Subd. 4. School-linked mental health services. Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for

- ▶ grants to schools for children's school-linked mental health services;
- ▶ two FTEs in the children's Mental Health Division to manage grants; and
- ▶ consultation to schools that do not have school-linked mental health service grants but want to collaborate with a community mental health provider.