

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 119

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A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Coordinated System of Care Governance Board and the Department of Health and Hospitals to jointly submit certain information concerning the Coordinated System of Care on a quarterly basis to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and Senate Committee on Finance.

WHEREAS, the Coordinated System of Care (CSoC) is a cross-departmental project of the office of juvenile justice, the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Health and Hospitals and the Department of Education to organize a coordinated network of broad, effective services for Louisiana's at risk children and youth with significant behavioral health challenges or related disorders; and

WHEREAS, the CSoC was originally established to:

(1) Improve the overall outcomes of these children and their caretakers being served by the Coordinated System of Care.

(2) Reduce the state's cost of providing services by leveraging Medicaid and other funding sources, as well as increasing service effectiveness and reducing duplication across agencies.

(3) Reduce out-of-home placements in the current number and future admissions of children and youth with significant behavioral health challenges or co-occurring disorders; and

WHEREAS, although there has been considerable investment in time and effort of the executive branch to develop and begin implementation of this program, there has been a significant lack of input or oversight from the legislative branch of government; and

WHEREAS, taking into consideration that this program affects one of the most important groups of people in this state and one of the most vulnerable populations which is our children, the complexity of the funding streams, the major shift in the way the state provides services to people with behavioral health disorders, and the long term implications of seeking waivers to the federal law and regulations which govern the Medicaid program, it is in the best interest of the state to ensure that the individuals elected by the citizens of the

state to represent their interests are involved in this process.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Coordinated System of Care Governance Board and the Department of Health and Hospitals, upon the commencement of services being provided by the CSoC, to jointly submit the following information concerning the Coordinated System of Care on a quarterly basis to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and Senate Committee on Finance:

- (1) The names of the individuals serving on the CSoC Governance Board.
- (2) The name and business address of the Statewide Management Organization (SMO).
- (3) The name, business address, and geographic coverage area of each Wrap Around Agency (WAA).
- (4) The name, business address, and geographic coverage area of each Family Support Organization (FSO).
- (5) The total number of individuals receiving services broken down by region.
- (6) The total number of enrolled providers broken down by provider type and by region.
- (7) The amount of state general funds and matching federal dollars expended each quarter by the program.
- (8) The amount and percentage of the reduction of the cost to the state of providing services by leveraging state general fund through the Medicaid program as well as increasing service effectiveness and efficiency and the reduction of duplication across state agencies.
- (9) The percentage of CSoC enrolled youth who have had to be placed in out-of-home treatment which includes but is not limited to detention, secure care facilities, psychiatric hospitals, residential treatment facilities, developmentally disabled facilities, addiction facilities, alternative schools, or foster care.
- (10) The number of licensed mental health professionals by type employed by the SMO to manage the toll free referral line.
- (11) The number of calls received by the SMO toll free referral line.
- (12) Number of calls referred to WAA's by region.

(13) Number of calls referred to non-WAA services by region and by provider type.

(14) Number of referrals denied for services.

(15) Average length of service for WAA services state-wide and by region.

(16) Average length of service for non-WAA services state wide and by region.

(17) Total number of Medicaid eligible consumers approved for services by the SMO.

(18) Total number of other insured consumers approved for services by the SMO.

(19) Total number of non-insured consumers approved for services by the SMO.

(20) Total number of prospective reviews conducted by the SMO.

(21) Total number of grievances and appeals categorized by type by consumers and advocates, and percentage that were resolved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Department of Health and Hospitals and to the Governance Board of the Coordinated System of Care.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE