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1 DMH - 3 ODMH Purchasing Program**R.C. 5119.16, 5120.09**

Permits, rather than requires, ODMH to provide goods and services, including medical supplies, drugs, food, and related procurement, storage, and distribution services, to the following: (1) the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction and other specified state departments, (2) other state, county, and municipal agencies, and (3) ODMH institutions and state-operated community-based mental health services.

Eliminates the specific process to be used by recipients of ODMH services in attempting to resolve issues of unsatisfactory service from ODMH.

Fiscal effect: Potential loss of revenue to ODMH if entities that currently purchase goods and services from ODMH purchase such goods and services from other vendors. May also reduce administrative costs for ODMH and other entities that have disputes with ODMH for unsatisfactory services.

2 DMH - 2 Information Systems Maintained by ODMH**R.C. 5119.61**

Expressly authorizes ODMH to develop and operate more than one community mental health information system.

Modifies the existing prohibition on the collection of identifying information by ODMH from ADAMHS boards by specifying (1) that the prohibition applies to the collection of information that is personal, (2) that the prohibition does not apply when state or federal law allows the collection (rather than only when the law requires the collection) and (3) that the collection must be for purposes related to payment, health care operations, program and service evaluation, reporting activities, research, system administration, and oversight.

Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for ODMH to develop and implement additional information systems.

3 DMH - 1 Allocation of Funds for Local Management of Mental Health Services**R.C. 5119.622, 5119.621**

Requires ODMH, when allocating the funds, to specify (1) the maximum portion of the funds that an ADAMHS board or group of boards may use for administrative purposes and (2) the permissible uses of the funds for administrative purposes.

Permits ODMH to distribute funds for the local management of mental health services to groups of boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services (ADAMHS boards) on a regional or statewide basis.

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Permits an ADAMHS board or group of boards to request a variance or waiver from the ODMH's determination of the maximum portion of the funds that may be used for administrative purposes, and specifies that the Director of Mental Health has sole discretion to approve or deny the request.

Requires an ADAMHS board or group of boards to account for its use of funds for administrative purposes by submitting an annual report to ODMH.

Fiscal effect: To the extent that a board currently spends more than the limit ODMH sets, a board may have to decrease administrative expenditures and the difference would be used for community services.

4 DMH - 6 Forensic Services**Section: 335.10.10**

Restricts how funds in GRF appropriation item 322401, Forensic Services, are to be used as follows: (1) to provide psychiatric services to courts of common pleas; (2) funds must be allocated through community mental health boards to certified community agencies in accordance with administrative rule and may also be used for forensic training to community mental health boards and to forensic psychiatric residency programs in state psychiatric hospitals and to provide psychiatric evaluations of patients of forensic status in ODMH facilities prior to conditional release to the community; (3) may be used to support projects involving mental health or substance abuse and to assist courts and law enforcement to identify and develop appropriate alternative services to incarceration for non-violent mentally ill offenders, and to provide specialized re-entry services to offenders leaving prisons and jails; and (4) may also be used to provide forensic monitoring and tracking in addition to community programs serving persons of forensic status on conditional release or probation.

5 DMH - 7 Residency Traineeship Programs**Section: 335.20.10**

Requires that GRF appropriation item 333402, Resident Trainees, be used to fund training agreements entered into by ODMH for the development of curricula and the provision of training programs to support public mental health services.

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6 DMH - 8 Pre-Admission Screening Expenses**Section: 335.20.20**

Requires that GRF appropriation item 333403, Pre-Admission Screening Expenses, be used to ensure that uniform statewide methods for pre-admission screening are in place for persons who have severe mental illness and are referred for long-term Medicaid-certified nursing facility placement. Specifies that pre-admission screening includes pre-admission assessment, consideration of continued stay requests, discharge planning and referral, and adjudication of appeals and grievance procedures.

7 DMH - 9 Lease-Rental Payments**Section: 335.20.30**

Specifies that ODMH must pay to the Ohio Public Facilities Commission from GRF appropriation item 333415, Lease-Rental Payments, pursuant to leases and agreements made under state law regarding capital facilities for mental hygiene and retardation. Specifies that the appropriations in that appropriation item are the source of funds pledged for bond service charges on obligations issued for certain capital facilities.

8 DMH - 10 Behavioral Health Medicaid Services**Section: 335.20.40**

Requires ODMH to administer specified Medicaid services as delegated by ODJFS in an interagency agreement and permits the use of SSR Fund 4X50 appropriation item 333607, Behavioral Health Medicaid Services, to make payments for free-standing psychiatric hospital inpatient services as defined in an interagency agreement with ODJFS.

Fiscal effect: May result in increased administrative costs to administer Medicaid services delegated by ODJFS.

9 DMH - 11 Community Mental Health Board Risk Fund**Section: 335.30.10**

Requires that SSR Fund 6920 appropriation item 334636, Community Mental Health Board Risk Fund, be used to assist local boards that elect to participate in the fund and that serve areas in which the costs of utilizing state hospitals by residents in a fiscal year exceeds the amount allocated to the local board by ODMH.

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10 DMH - 12 Behavioral Health Services - Children**Section: 335.40.10**

Requires the following regarding GRF appropriation item 335404, Behavioral Health Services-Children: (1) That the funds be used to provide behavioral health services for children and their families, including mental health and alcohol and other drug treatment services and other necessary supports; (2) That ODMH distributes funds to local boards based on a distribution formula approved by the Director of Mental Health; (3) That the funds be used in accordance with a local board's community mental health plan and in conjunction with the local Family and Children First Council. Requires the Ohio Family and Children First Cabinet Council to define a System of Care guidance process to guide the collaborative services provided by the local board and the local Family and Children First Council.

11 DMH - 13 Community Medication Subsidy**Section: 335.40.20**

Requires that GRF appropriation item 335419, Community Medication Subsidy, be used to provide subsidized support for psychotropic medication needs of indigent citizens in the community to reduce unnecessary hospitalization because of lack of medication and subsidized support for methadone costs.

12 DMH - 14 Local Mental Health Systems of Care**Section: 335.40.30**

Requires that GRF appropriation item 335505, Local Mental Health Systems of Care, be used for mental health services provided by community mental health boards in accordance with an ODMH-approved community mental health plan.

13 DMH - 4 Medicaid Elevation Advisory Group**Section: 729.10**

Creates the Medicaid Elevation Advisory Group and requires the Group to study the issue of transferring the responsibility for paying providers of Medicaid-covered community behavioral health services and related management responsibilities to ODMH and ODADAS from ADAMHS boards.

Requires the Medicaid Elevation Advisory Group to issue a report regarding its study not later than June 30, 2010.

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Requires ODMH and ODADAS to assume responsibility for paying providers of Medicaid-covered community behavioral health services and related management responsibilities not later than July 1, 2011, but provides that the Departments' assumption of the payment and related management responsibilities is subject to changes in state law that otherwise would conflict with the Departments' assuming the responsibilities, including changes related to funding.

Fiscal effect: Minimal increase in ODMH's and ODADAS' costs to reimburse members for reasonable travel expenses and to produce the required report.

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14 GOV - 1 Service Coordination Workgroup

Section: 751.20

Creates the Service Coordination Workgroup to develop procedures for coordinating services that any of the following provide to individuals under age 21 and their families: the Office of the Governor, the Departments of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services, Education, Health, Job and Family Services, Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, and Youth Services; the Office of Budget and Management; and the Family and Children First Cabinet Council.

Requires the Workgroup, not later than July 31, 2009, to submit a report to the Governor with recommendations for implementing the procedures.

Permits the Director of Budget and Management to seek Controlling Board approval to transfer cash and appropriations as necessary to implement the Workgroup's recommendations.

Fiscal effect: Since the representative of the Governor's Office is to serve as the chairperson of the Council, this provision may cause a minimal increase in the Governor's Office's costs to produce the workgroup's report.
