

CHAPTER 256E

COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES

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256E.03 DEFINITIONS.*[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1998]*

Subd. 2. (a) "Community social services" means services provided or arranged for by county boards to fulfill the responsibilities prescribed in section 256E.08, subdivision 1, to the following groups of persons:

(1) families with children under age 18, who are experiencing child dependency, neglect or abuse, and also pregnant adolescents, adolescent parents under the age of 18 and their children, and other adolescents;

(2) persons, including adolescents, who are under the guardianship of the commissioner of human services as dependent and neglected wards;

(3) adults who are in need of protection and vulnerable as defined in section 626.5572;

(4) persons age 60 and over who are experiencing difficulty living independently and are unable to provide for their own needs;

(5) emotionally disturbed children and adolescents, chronically and acutely mentally ill persons who are unable to provide for their own needs or to independently engage in ordinary community activities;

(6) persons with mental retardation as defined in section 252A.02, subdivision 2, or with related conditions as defined in section 252.27, subdivision 1a, who are unable to provide for their own needs or to independently engage in ordinary community activities;

(7) drug dependent and intoxicated persons, including adolescents, as defined in section 254A.02, subdivisions 5 and 7, and persons, including adolescents, at risk of harm to self or others due to the ingestion of alcohol or other drugs;

(8) parents whose income is at or below 70 percent of the state median income and who are in need of child care services in order to secure or retain employment or to obtain the training or education necessary to secure employment;

(9) children and adolescents involved in or at risk of involvement with criminal activity; and

(10) other groups of persons who, in the judgment of the county board, are in need of social services.

(b) Except as provided in section 256E.08, subdivision 5, community social services do not include public assistance programs known as the Minnesota family investment program, Minnesota supplemental aid, medical assistance, general assistance, general assistance medical care, or community health services authorized by sections 145A.09 to 145A.13.

*[For text of subs 3 to 7, see M.S.1998]***History:** 1999 c 159 s 66**256E.06 DISTRIBUTION OF STATE AIDS.**

Subdivision 1. **Formula.** The commissioner of human services shall distribute community social service aids to each county board in an amount determined according to the following formula:

In calendar year 1982 and thereafter:

(a) One-third shall be distributed on the basis of the average unduplicated number of persons who receive Minnesota family investment program assistance, general assistance, and medical assistance per month in the calendar year two years prior to the year for which funds are being distributed as reported in the average monthly caseload reports required un-

der sections 256.01, 256B.04 and 256D.04, and certified by the commissioner of human services; and

(b) One-third shall be distributed on the basis of the number of persons residing in the county as determined by the most recent data of the state demographer;

(c) One-third shall be distributed on the basis of the number of persons residing in the county who are 65 years old or older as determined by the most recent data of the state demographer.

[For text of subs 2 and 2b, see M.S.1998]

Subd. 3. Payments to counties. The commissioner of human services shall make payments for community social services to each county in four installments per year. The commissioner of human services may certify the payments for the first three months of a calendar year based on estimates of the unduplicated number of persons receiving Minnesota family investment program assistance, general assistance, and medical assistance for the prior year. The following three payments shall be adjusted to reflect the actual unduplicated number of persons who received Minnesota family investment program assistance, general assistance, and medical assistance as required by subdivision 1. The commissioner shall ensure that the pertinent payment of the allotment for that quarter is made to each county on the first working day after the end of each quarter of the calendar year, except for the last quarter of the calendar year. The commissioner shall ensure that each county receives its payment of the allotment for that quarter no later than the last working day of that quarter. This scheduling of payments does not require compliance with subdivision 10.

[For text of subs 5 to 10, see M.S.1998]

History: 1999 c 159 s 67,68

256E.07 TITLE XX ALLOCATION.

Subdivision 1. **Formula.** In federal fiscal year 1985 and subsequent years, money for social services that is received from the federal government to reimburse counties for social service expenditures according to title XX of the Social Security Act shall be allocated to each county according to the following formula:

(a) Two-thirds shall be allocated on the basis of the annual average number of unduplicated active monthly caseloads in each county in the following programs: the Minnesota family investment program, medical assistance, general assistance, supplementary security income, and Minnesota supplemental aid.

(b) One-third shall be allocated on the basis of the number of persons residing in the county as determined by the most recent estimate of the state demographer.

(c) The commissioner shall allocate to the counties according to this section the total money received from the federal government for social services according to title XX of the Social Security Act, except that portion of the state's allocation which the legislature authorizes for administrative purposes and for migrant day care.

[For text of subd 1b, see M.S.1998]

History: 1999 c 159 s 69

256E.08 DUTIES OF COUNTY BOARDS.

[For text of subs 1 and 2, see M.S.1998]

Subd. 3. Administration of income maintenance programs. The county board may designate itself, a human services board, or a local social services agency to perform the functions of local social services agencies as prescribed in chapter 393 and assigned to county agencies in other law which pertains to the administration of income maintenance programs known as the Minnesota family investment program, general assistance, Minnesota supplemental aid, medical assistance, general assistance medical care, and emergency assistance.

[For text of subs 4 to 11, see M.S.1998]

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