

Budget Overview Brief

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Minnesota Department of Human Services

Budget Program: DHS Central Office

1) Activity: Operations

Activities: The Operations area within the Department of Human Services (DHS) serves external customers, internal staff, and ensures integrity in spending of public resources. To external customers, we provide appeals processes, tribal, county, and community relations, and communication resources. Includes: Compliance Office, External Relations Office, Management Services Division, Office for Strategy and Performance, Office of CFO, Budget Analysis, and Reports and Forecasts.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$120.568m
- FY26-27 SGSR: \$266k
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$1.808m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$47.006m
- FY26-27 Health Care Access: \$20.606m

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 399.26

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 388.59

Statutes: Operations' legal authority is in several places in state law: chapter 245C (Human Services Background Studies) and sections; and chapters M.S. Chapter 43A, sections 43A.19, 43A.191 (Affirmative Action), M.S. Chapter 363A (Human Rights), M.S. Chapter 402A (Human Services Performance Management). M.S. chapter 256 (Human Services) provides authority for many of the agency's general administrative activities. M.S. sections 256.045 to 256.046 give authority for the agency's appeals activities.

2) Activity: Health Care

Activities: Health Care Administration administers the following two health care programs for low-income Minnesotans: Medical Assistance and MinnesotaCare. They are divided into the following operational units: Office of the Assistant Commissioner, Health Care Eligibility Operations, Health Care Eligibility and Access, Health Improvement Benefit and Design, Managed Care Contracting and Rates, Medicaid Payments and Provider Services, and Health Care Research and Quality.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$65.899m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$5.748m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$112.342m
- FY26-27 Health Care Access: \$56.336m

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 673.52**Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 665.38**

Statutes: M.S. chapter 256 provides authority for many of the agency's general administrative activities. Some of the authority to administer MA is also in that chapter. Additional legal authority to administer MA is in M.S. chapter 256B (Medical Assistance for Needy Persons). Authority to administer MinnesotaCare is in M.S. chapter 256L

3) Activity: Aging & Disability Services

Activities: The Aging and Disability Services Administration is composed of the following Divisions and units, each charged with particular areas of responsibility: Aging and Adult Services Division, Disability Services Division, Fiscal Analysis and Results Management, Nursing Facility Rates and Policy Division; Grants, Equity, Access, and Research Division, Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing Services Division, Transitions, Tribal and Transformation Division, Operations and Central Functions, and Planning and Aging 2030.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$98.234m
- FY26-27 SGSR: \$250k
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$6.311m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$10.809m
- FY26-27 Gift: \$30k
- FY26-27 Federal: \$18.584m

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 366.56**Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 363.35**

Statutes: M.S. chapter 256 (Human Services) provides authority for many of the agency's general administrative activities. Some of the authority to administer MA is also in that chapter. Additional legal authority to administer MA is in M.S. chapter 256B (Medical Assistance for Needy Persons).

4) Activity: Behavioral Health

Activities: The Behavioral Health Administration (BHA), which encompasses children, family, and adult mental health services, substance use disorder, and problem gambling services is responsible for policy and grantmaking that ensures evidence -based and person -centered prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery services for individuals with substance use disorders, problems with gambling, and mental health conditions. BHA works with county and tribal partners and qualified behavioral health care providers to optimize a continuum of services that are equitable and responsive to all targeted populations of need and those experiencing health disparities.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$45.322m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$3.218m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$5.216m
- FY26-27 Opiate Epidemic Response: \$2.132m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$27.503m
- FY26-27 Lottery: \$326k

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 186.58

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 188.14

Statutes: M.S. chapter 256 (Human Services) provides authority for many of the agency's general administrative activities. Some of the authority to administer MA is also in that chapter. Additional legal authority to administer MA is in M.S. chapter 256B (Medical Assistance for Needy Persons).

5) Activity: Centralized IT

Activities: The Central IT budget activity funds Minnesota IT Services (MNIT) support for the Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide IT solutions that support agency business goals, and build and maintain the computer applications that automate the delivery of agency programs. MNIT provides the following services to DHS: planning support in delivery of IT services, program management activities, application development, computing, telecommunications, and wide area network services that underlie DHS program applications,

Funding:

- FY26-27 State Systems Account Base: \$274.273m.

Statutes: MS § 256.014 provides the authority for DHS operation of systems necessary to operate its programs and the creation of the state systems account.

6) Activity: Homelessness, Housing & Support Services*

***Beginning in FY25, DHS combined Housing and Support Services Division, Office of Economic Opportunity Homeless Programs, and Behavioral Health Homeless grants total \$270m in FY24-25.**

Activities: Includes financial assistance, Long -term Homeless Supportive Services, subsidized housing, Social Security Advocacy, Housing Stabilization Services, Community Living Infrastructure grants, Behavioral Health grants, and Office of Economic Opportunity Homeless grants

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$12.528m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$10.462m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$1m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$312k

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 57.25

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 52.25

7) Activity: Office of Inspector General

Activities: OIG includes three core business divisions (Background Studies, Licensing, and Program Integrity Oversight) and three enterprise support divisions (Chief Legal Counsel; Digital Services, Analytics, and Insights; and Enterprise Operations and Policy).

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$51.758m
- FY26-27 SGSR: \$7.690m
- FY26-27 SGSR (HLB): \$110k
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$24.860m
- FY26-27 Opiate Epidemic Response: \$642k
- FY26-27 Health Care Access: \$1.882m

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 256.05

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 256.05

Statutes: The following M.S. sections provide the legal authority for OIG functions, as indicated: 245A – Human Services Licensing (Rules 2960, 9502*, 9503*, 9543, 9570); 245C – Human Services Background Studies; 245E – Child Care Assistance Program Fraud Investigations; 245G – Substance Use Disorder Licensed Treatment Facilities; 245H – Certified License -Exempt Child Care Centers*; 245I – Mental Health Uniform Service Standards Act; 256b.064 Sanctions; Monetary Recovery (Rule 9505); 245.095 Limit on Receiving Public Funds; 260E Maltreatment of Minors; and 626.557 Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults

8) Activity: Resettlement Program Office

Activities: RPO provides leadership, support, coordination, and funding to community - based organizations and stakeholders involved in the resettlement of new Americans. RPO builds and supports capacity for a continuum of services to refugee individuals and families including basic needs, housing, legal services, employment assistance, education supports, and health screenings. RPO has the responsibility to:

- Serve as liaison between state and federal entities in resettlement efforts
- Coordinate resettlement activities across state to ensure effectiveness and efficiency
- Administer and oversee the Refugee Cash Assistance and Refugee Medical Assistance programs
- Administer and oversee Refugee Network Services grants to community partners
- Administer and oversee the Refugee Health screening program
- Conduct consultations with service providers and communities around local capacity for resettlement
- Provide reliable information on resettlement in Minnesota

Funding:

- FY26-27 Federal: \$6.322m

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 16.62

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 16.62

Budget Program: Forecasted Programs

9) Activity: General Assistance

Activities: General Assistance provides state-funded, monthly cash grants to people without children who have a serious illness, disabilities, or other issues that limit their ability to work and are unable to fully support themselves. The maximum monthly benefit in FY23 was \$203 for a single adult (about 19 percent of the Federal Poverty Guideline of \$1,063 per month for one person), \$260 for a couple, and \$104 for a person living in a residential facility or receiving Housing Support benefits. Beginning 10/1/2024, the monthly benefit amounts change to \$350 for an individual, \$350 for a couple, and \$125 for a person living in a residential facility receiving Housing Support benefits. In July 2023, nearly 41 percent of GA recipients received the lower benefit amount as a personal needs allowance while residing in residential facilities, such as mental health or substance use disorder treatment, and nursing facilities, or while receiving Housing Support.

Funding:

- FY26 GF: \$82.545m
- FY27 GF: \$84.802m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$300k

Statutes:

- The legal authority for the General Assistance program is [M.S. chapter 256D](#)

10) Activity: MN Supplemental Assistance

Activities: MSA provides a state-funded monthly cash supplement to help people who are older adults, blind or have a disability, and who receive SSI benefits. As of FY23, the average grant amount is \$150.85 per month. In addition, some MSA recipients also receive a special needs increase to their grant, usually to accommodate medically necessary special diets. MSA also supports recipients by partially offsetting the expenses of having a representative payee, guardian, or conservator. In addition, MSA housing assistance is available to qualified recipients, adding \$420.50 in FY23 to the MSA monthly benefit to help pay high housing costs.

Funding

- FY26 GF: \$67.113m
- FY27 GF: \$69.086m

Statutes: The legal authority for the Minnesota Supplemental Aid program is in [M.S. chapter 256D: sections 256D.33 to 256D.54.](#)

11) Activity: Housing Support

Activities: Housing Support is a state-funded income support that pays for housing related costs for adults with disabilities or who are age 65 or older, and who have low income and live in authorized settings. Housing Support also provides transitional access to the benefit for individuals without stable housing who are exiting treatment or incarceration in Department of Corrections facilities. In October 2024, income calculations for Housing Support will shift to allow people with unearned income to only pay 30% of their income toward their housing costs when living in supportive housing in the community. The Housing Support room and board rate is currently \$1,135 per month in group settings and \$1,185 per month for community settings (people living in supportive housing settings with their own lease). This amount is used to pay for rent, utilities, food, household supplies, and other items needed to provide room and board to a recipient. Recipients are required to pay a portion of their income directly to providers toward the room and board rate. Housing Support can pay for additional supportive services in some settings if a recipient is not eligible for home- and community-based waiver services or personal care assistance. The total people served by this benefit was 20,243 in FY22 and 20,258 in FY23.

Funding:

- FY26 GF: \$267.065m
- FY27 GF: \$277.747m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$4.950m

Statutes: The legal authority for the Housing Support program is [M.S. chapter 256I](#)

12) Activity: Medical Assistance

Activities: Medical assistance financing is split up into 5 separate budget subcodes between two committees. The human services finance and policy committee has three: 1) LTC facilities; 2) LTC Waivers; and 3) Elderly & Disabled Basic Care.

MA pays for long-term care services for people who reside in facilities. In FY 2023, over 11,600 people per month received facility based long term care services. Total spending on this group was about \$1.2 billion FY 2023, of which \$460 million came from state funds. Care provided under this segment of MA includes 24-hour care and supervision in nursing facilities or intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICF/DD). It also includes day training and habilitation (DT&H) services for people who live in an ICF/DD.

DHS administers waiver programs in collaboration with county and tribal social services and public health programs. The vast majority of Minnesota's Medicaid spending on long-term care services and supports goes to enrollees in home- and community-based waiver programs. For example, around 92 percent of Medicaid long-term care spending for people with disabilities in Minnesota goes toward services provided in the community. In FY 2023, an average of nearly 86,000 people received home care and waived services per month. Total spending on waiver and home care services was just over \$5.6 billion in FY2023, and roughly half of this was from state funds.

In FY 2023, MA funds for Basic Care for Older Adults and People with Disabilities supported an average of 196,745 people per month, many of whom are also enrolled in Medicare and therefore are "dual eligible beneficiaries." Total spending on this group was over \$3.7 billion in FY 2023, about 40 percent of which came from state funds.

Funding:

- FY26 GF: \$6.350b
- FY27 GF: \$6.942b

13) Alternative Care

Activities: Alternative Care (AC) services are used in a person's own home. AC covers the following services: adult day services, caregiver services, case management, chore services, companion services, consumer-directed community supports, home health aides, home-delivered meals, homemaker services, environmental accessibility adaptations, nutrition services, personal emergency response system, personal care, respite care, skilled nursing, specialized equipment and supplies, and transportation.

Funding:

- FY26 GF: \$55.610m
- FY27 GF: \$56.101m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$4.422m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$49.836

Statutes: The Alternative Care and Essential Community Support programs are authorized by Minnesota Statutes, sections 256B.0913 and 256B.0922

14) Behavioral Health Fund

Activities: The Behavioral Health Fund is fee -for -service funding for residential and outpatient substance use disorder treatment services for eligible low -income Minnesotans. The BHF combines multiple funding sources – state appropriations, county share, and a portion of the federal Substance Abuse, Prevention and Treatment block grant. Federal Medicaid matching funds are collected on eligible treatment services provided to Medical Assistance recipients. Counties also contribute a share toward the cost of treatment. There is no county share for Medicaid recipients. Counties pay 22.95% of treatment service claims for non -MA recipients. All SUD treatment programs are enrolled as Minnesota Health Care Programs and provide a continuum of effective, research -based treatment services for individuals who need them. Treatment services include individual and group therapy in outpatient or residential settings, and may also include treatment for a mental illness, other medical services, medication -assisted therapies (with or without adjunct behavioral services), and service coordination.

Funding:

- Behavioral Health Fund FY26: \$238.913m
- Behavioral Health Fund FY27: \$238.254m

Statutes: Minnesota Statutes chapter 254B provides the legal authority for the CD Treatment Fund. M.S. section 254B.01, Subd.3 defines chemical dependency services payable by the CD Treatment Fund. This definition applies to a wide variety of services within a planned program of care to treat a person’s chemical dependency, or substance use disorder. Minnesota Rules, parts 9530.7000 to 9530.7031 provides specific guidance with definitions, edibility guidelines, local agency responsibility, and related processes.

Budget Program: Direct Care and Treatment

Activities: Direct Care and Treatment (DCT) plays a unique role in Minnesota’s continuum of mental health services. It is a highly specialized behavioral health care system that serves people with mental illnesses, substance use disorders, intellectual disabilities, and other serious and often co -occurring conditions. Because these individuals have conditions that are complex and behaviors that can be challenging, other health care systems cannot or will not serve them. Beginning in the FY26 -27 biennium, Direct Care and Treatment will transition from a program within the Department of Human Services to a standalone state agency.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$2.473b
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$45.771
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$69.614
- FY26-27 Endowment: \$294k
- FY26-27 Gift: \$810k
- FY26-27 State Operated Community Services: \$855.848m
- FY26-27 MN state industries: \$15.353m

Budget Program: Grant Programs**15) Children Services Grants, Child & Community Service Grants, and Child & Economic Support Grants**

Activities: Under current law, few select grants within these budget activities will not legally transition to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families. DHS has the legal authority to create administrative budget activities. DHS does not have the legal authority to consolidate existing budget activities into others. DHS has created the Homelessness, Housing & Support Services administrative budget activity as the central office entity responsible for these three budget activities in addition to the Housing Support Grants activity below. Without a legal change by the legislature, these grants will remain in these budget activities but be administered by this new administrative division. They were previously administered by the Children & Families central office administrative division. That division has legally transferred to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families.

Current Law Base DHS Funding:

- Children Services Grants GF, FY26-27: \$1.0m
- Child & Community Service Grants GF, FY26-27: \$5.310m
- Child & Community Service Grants Opiate Epidemic Response, FY26-27: \$6.486m
- Child & Economic Support Grants GF, FY26-27: \$139.190m

16) Activity: Refugee Services Grants

Activities: The Minnesota Department of Human Services is designated as the State agency responsible for services for people granted a humanitarian protection to build well-being in Minnesota. The United States Department of Health and Human Services Office of Refugee Resettlement provides funding for these programs. The Minnesota Department of Human Services Resettlement Programs Office implements programming through Regional Resettlement Networks comprised of diverse agencies who provide services in one or more of the following areas: family resource connections, family education supports, immigration legal services, employment and career supports, community workshops, refugee health promotion Services, and refugee cash assistance

Funding:

- FY26-27 Federal TANF: \$127.846m

Statutes: The legal authority for the Refugee Services Grants activities comes from federal law: 45 CFR 400

17) Activity: Fraud Prevention Grants

Activities: The Fraud Prevention Investigation (FPI) program is administered by the DHS Office of Inspector General's (OIG) Program Integrity Oversight Division to: maintain integrity in the recipient eligibility process, make sure benefits are provided at the appropriate levels and only to eligible applicants and recipients, administer investigations consistently statewide, and ensures recipients in similar situations are treated consistently statewide. FPI Program Staff at DHS -OIG provide FPI program oversight, technical support and guidance to the 85 Counties and Regions and three Tribal Nations that currently participate in the FPI Program.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$6.036m

Statutes: [Minnesota Statutes 256.983](#)

18) Aging & Adult Services Grants

Activities: Aging and Adult Services Grants provides various services to older adults including non-medical social services and supports for older Minnesotans and their families to allow older adults to stay in their own homes and avoid institutionalization. These grants are often used along with local private money, including donations. Aging and Adult Services grants support: 1) Nutritional services; 2) Community Service/Community Services Development (CS/SD), Family Caregiver Support, and ElderCare Development Partnership (EDP) grant programs; 3) Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Foster Grandparent, and Senior Companion programs; and 4) Senior LinkAge Line.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$67.723m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$1.480m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$29.847m

Statutes: M.S. sections 256B.0917 and 256B.0922 provide the legal authority for Aging and Adult Services Grants.

19) Deaf & Hard of Hearing Grants

Activities: The Division partners with community -based service providers, mental health professionals, local television stations, and the Department of Commerce to provide statewide grant -funded programs, services, and supports. Few providers have the unique skills needed to provide the culturally and linguistically affirmative services required by people who are deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing, and the Division works closely with them.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$5.772m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$298k
- FY26-27 Federal: \$150k

Statutes: M.S. sections 256.01, subd. 2, 256C.233, 256C.26, and 256C.30 provide the legal authority for Deaf, Deaf Blind, and Hard of Hearing Grants

20) Disabilities Grants

Activities: Disabilities Grants provide services and supports to help Minnesotans with disabilities remain in their communities and avoid institutionalization. This work is done by counties, tribes, families, and local providers. These funds increase the service options for people with disabilities and their families, help people with HIV/AIDS with medical expenses, provide information and assistance on disability programs and services, and support county and tribal service infrastructure

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$72.910m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$19.435m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$294k
- FY26-27 Federal: \$34.44m

Statutes: M.S. sections 252.275, 252.32, 256.01, subds. 19, 20, and 24, 256.476, and 256B.0658 provide the legal authority for Disabilities Grants

21) Other LTC Grants

Activities: The purpose of other long -term care grants is to serve more people in community -based settings and to encourage creativity in how services are delivered for people with disabilities, people with a mental illness, and seniors. Grants include: HCBS Innovation Pool and Money Follows the Person federal demonstration grant.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$4.672m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$7.064m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$12.2m

22) Activity: Housing & Support Services Grants

Activities: the Housing and Support Services Division manages 15 grant programs to support and provide housing and housing related services to youth, single adults, families and low -income Minnesotans with disabilities. The grants managed under this budget activity are: Long -Term Homelessness Supportive Services, Community Living Infrastructure, Real Time Housing Website, Housing Benefit 101, and Housing Access Services.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$20.728m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$10.660m

Statutes:

- M.S. 256L.09
- M.S. 256K.26
- M.S. 256B.0658
- M.S. 256L.04

23) Activity: Adult Mental Health Grants

Activities: Adult Mental Health Grants support services for adults with mental illness and are administered by the Behavioral Health Division of the Behavioral Health, Housing and Deaf and Hard -of -Hearing Administration (BHDH) using both federal and state funds. Services include, but are not limited to: transitions to community initiative, adult mental health initiatives, project for assistance in transition from homelessness, crisis housing, housing with supports, crisis response services, culturally specific services, and mental health innovations.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$240.338m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$2.0m
- FY26-27 Opiate Epidemic Response: \$4.0m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$53.916m

Statutes: MS § 256E.12, 245.4661, and 245.70 provide the authority for the grants in this budget activity.

24) Activity: Child Mental Health Grants

Activities: children's mental health grant programs include: children's respite grants, children's evidence based-training grants, early childhood mental health capacity grants, children's mental health screening grants, first episode psychosis, school-linked behavioral health grants, crisis response services, and psychiatric residential treatment facility grants.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$69.296m
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$96k
- FY26-27 Federal: \$6.566m

Statutes: [Minnesota Statutes, section 245.4889 provides the legal authority for Children's Mental Health grant](#)

25) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Grants

Activities: The Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Support and Primary Prevention Grants use both federal and state funding to support state -wide prevention, intervention, recovery maintenance, case management and treatment support services for people with alcohol, or drug addiction. Treatment support services include outreach and engagement, assistance with housing -related services, assistance with applying for state benefits, subsidized housing, transportation, childcare, and parenting education. This activity also includes the state Problem Gambling Treatment Program, which funds statewide education, prevention messaging, intervention, treatment and recovery services for individuals and families impacted by problem gambling through evidence -based practices, education, supports, and protective financial resources. The Opioid Epidemic Response law raises fees to prescribers, drug manufactures, and distributors. The fee revenue is deposited into the opiate epidemic response fund. The Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council has decision -making authority over the allocation of a portion of account funds. The Behavioral Health Division administers grants based on direction from the council.

Funding:

- FY26-27 GF: \$9.579m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$630k
- FY26-27 Other Misc. Special Revenue: \$278k
- FY26-27 Opiate Epidemic Response: \$38.785m
- FY26-27 Federal: \$89.182m
- FY26-27 Lottery: \$3.466m

Statutes: Minnesota Statutes, chapters 254A, 254B, 256, sections 245.98, and 297.E02, subd. 3 provide the legal authority for SUD Treatment Support and Primary Prevention Grants.

Minnesota Council on Disability

Activities: The Minnesota Council on Disability (MCD) exists to ensure programmatic, physical, and digital access to government for all Minnesota taxpayers and to promote Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility in the private sector to fuel a stronger Minnesota economy. The agency is a policy, training, and technical resource for people with disabilities and their families, the private sector, and federal, state, and local governments to strengthen communities.

Funding:

- FY26-27 General: \$4.817m
- FY26-27 Restricted Misc. Special Revenue: \$110

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 11.50

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 11.50

Statutes: The legal authority for the Minnesota Council on Disability (MCD) comes from M.S. 256.482.

Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

Activities: The Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities (OMHDD) serves to promote the highest attainable standards for treatment, competence, efficiency, and justice for persons receiving services for mental illness (MI), developmental disabilities (DD), substance use disorder (SUD), and emotional disturbance (ED). These include services that are licensed, certified, or registered by the Departments of Health, Human Services, and Education as well as local school districts, county social service agencies, and sober homes .

Funding:

- FY26-27 General: \$7.296m

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY26: 24.60

Total Non-Additive FTEs FY27: 24.60

Statutes:

- MS Chapter 245.91
- MS Chapter 245.92
- MS Chapter 245.93
- MS Chapter 245.94
- MS Chapter 245.945
- MS Chapter 245.95
- MS Chapter 245.
- MS Chapter 245.97