

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JML 24-117

COORDINATED SYSTEM OF CARE

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 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;

WHEREAS, the CSoC was originally established to:

- A. Improve the overall outcomes of the children and caretakers served by the Coordinated System of Care;
- B. Reduce the state's cost of providing services by leveraging various funding sources as well as increasing service effectiveness and reducing duplication across agencies;
- C. 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, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of Louisiana to continue implementation of this centralized and coordinated effort through the CSoC Governance Board.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JEFF LANDRY, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1: The Coordinated System of Care Governance Board (hereafter "Board") is established within the Louisiana Department of Health to govern the CSoC.

Section 2: The Board shall set policy for the governance of the CSoC. The duties of the Board shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. Establishing cross-collaborative policies and monitoring adherence;
- B. Advocating and enhancing the public standing for the CSoC;
- C. Recommending strategic guidance to enhance the CSoC;
- D. Monitoring the quality, program growth, and adherence to standards.

Section 3: The Board shall be composed of nine (9) members as follows:

- A. The secretary of the Department of Children and Family Services, or the secretary's designee;
- B. The secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health, or the secretary's designee;
- C. The superintendent of the Department of Education, or the superintendent's designee;
- D. The Deputy Secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Youth Services, Office of Juvenile Justice, or the Deputy Secretary's designee.
- E. One (1) representative from the Governor's Office or his designee;
- F. One (1) family representative;
- G. One (1) non-voting youth representative;
- H. One (1) advocate representative; and
- I. One (1) Medicaid Managed Care Organization CSoC Liaison.

Section 4: The chair of the Board shall be an agency head and a member of the Board. All board officers shall be elected by and from the membership of the Board.

Section 5: The Board shall meet a minimum of four times annually at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the chair.

Section 6: Board members shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor for serving on the Board. Board members who are an employee or an elected public official of the State of Louisiana or a political subdivision thereof may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from their employing and/or elected department, agency and/or office.

Board members who are not employees of the State of Louisiana or a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from DHH. <u>Section 7:</u> All departments, commissions, boards, offices, entities, agencies, and officers of the State of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Board in maintaining the provisions of this Order, including the execution of memorandums of understanding and the redirection of the designated funding of the agencies involved to finance the CSoC. This process will be fiscally managed by the Louisiana Bureau of Health Services Financing.

Section 8: The Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF) within LDH, shall continue to serve as the "single state agency" as defined in the federal regulations. As such, BHSF shall be responsible for assuring compliance with all Title XIX requirements.

Section 9: Executive Order Number JBE 2016-31 is hereby terminated.

<u>Section 10:</u> This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or terminated by operation of law.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 29th day of July, 2024.

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ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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