

245.4932 REVENUE ENHANCEMENT; AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

Subdivision 1. **Collaborative responsibilities.** The children's mental health collaborative shall have the following authority and responsibilities regarding federal revenue enhancement:

- (1) the collaborative must establish an integrated fund;
- (2) the collaborative shall designate a lead county or other qualified entity as the fiscal agency for reporting, claiming, and receiving payments;
- (3) the collaborative or lead county may enter into subcontracts with other counties, school districts, special education cooperatives, municipalities, and other public and nonprofit entities for purposes of identifying and claiming eligible expenditures to enhance federal reimbursement;
- (4) the collaborative shall use any enhanced revenue attributable to the activities of the collaborative, including administrative and service revenue, solely to provide mental health services or to expand the operational target population. The lead county or other qualified entity may not use enhanced federal revenue for any other purpose;
- (5) the members of the collaborative must continue the base level of expenditures, as defined in section 245.492, subdivision 2, for services for children with emotional or behavioral disturbances and their families from any state, county, federal, or other public or private funding source which, in the absence of the new federal reimbursement earned under sections 245.491 to 245.495, would have been available for those services. The base year for purposes of this subdivision shall be the accounting period closest to state fiscal year 1993;
- (6) the collaborative or lead county must develop and maintain an accounting and financial management system adequate to support all claims for federal reimbursement, including a clear audit trail and any provisions specified in the contract with the commissioner of human services;
- (7) the collaborative or its members may elect to pay the nonfederal share of the medical assistance costs for services designated by the collaborative; and
- (8) the lead county or other qualified entity may not use federal funds or local funds designated as matching for other federal funds to provide the nonfederal share of medical assistance.

Subd. 2. **Commissioner's responsibilities.** (1) Notwithstanding sections 256B.19, subdivision 1, and 256B.0625, the commissioner shall be required to amend the state medical assistance plan to include as covered services eligible for medical assistance reimbursement, those services eligible for reimbursement under federal law or waiver, which a collaborative elects to provide and for which the collaborative elects to pay the nonfederal share of the medical assistance costs.

(2) The commissioner may suspend, reduce, or terminate the federal reimbursement to a collaborative that does not meet the requirements of sections 245.493 to 245.495.

(3) The commissioner shall recover from the collaborative any federal fiscal disallowances or sanctions for audit exceptions directly attributable to the collaborative's actions or the proportional share if federal fiscal disallowances or sanctions are based on a statewide random sample.

Subd. 3. **Payments.** Payments under sections 245.493 to 245.495 to providers for services for which the collaborative elects to pay the nonfederal share of medical assistance shall only be made of federal earnings from services provided under sections 245.493 to 245.495.

Subd. 4. **Centralized disbursement of medical assistance payments.** Notwithstanding section 256B.041, and except for family community support services and therapeutic support of foster care, county payments for the cost of services for which the collaborative elects to pay the nonfederal share, for reimbursement under medical assistance, shall not be made to the commissioner of finance. For purposes of individualized rehabilitation services under sections 245.493 to 245.495, the centralized disbursement of payments to providers under section 256B.041 consists only of federal earnings from services provided under sections 245.493 to 245.495.

History: *1Sp1993 c 1 art 7 s 15; 1995 c 207 art 8 s 18-21; 2002 c 277 s 3; 2003 c 112 art 2 s 50; 1Sp2003 c 14 art 11 s 11*