

§1402. Community services

1. Commissioner's duty. In every state institution to which a person with mental illness or an intellectual disability may be committed, the commissioner shall organize and administer the duties set forth in subsection 2.

[PL 2011, c. 542, Pt. A, §69 (AMD).]

2. Duties. The department shall:

A. Supervise clients who have left the institution with a view to their safe care at home, suitable employment and self-support under good working and living conditions, and with a view to prevention of their relapse and return to public dependency; [PL 1983, c. 459, §7 (NEW).]

B. Provide for informing and advising any indigent person, that person's relatives or friends and the representatives of any charitable agency as to:

(1) The mental condition of the indigent person;

(2) The prevention and treatment of the condition;

(3) The available institutions or other means of caring for the person; and

(4) Any other matter relative to the welfare of the person; and [PL 2009, c. 299, Pt. A, §6 (AMD).]

C. Acquire and disseminate knowledge of mental disease, intellectual disabilities, autism and other related conditions with a view to promoting a better understanding and the most enlightened public sentiment and policy in these matters, and in this work the department may cooperate with local authorities, schools and social agencies. [PL 2011, c. 542, Pt. A, §70 (AMD).]

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SECTION HISTORY

PL 1983, c. 459, §7 (NEW). PL 1995, c. 560, §K27 (AMD). PL 2009, c. 299, Pt. A, §6 (AMD). PL 2011, c. 542, Pt. A, §§69, 70 (AMD).

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