## MENTAL HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT) Act 258 of 1974

## 330.1158 Effect of approval of application; contract; report.

Sec. 158. (1) If an application for a family support subsidy is approved by the community mental health services program, all of the following apply:

- (a) A family support subsidy shall be paid to the parent or legal guardian on behalf of an eligible minor, and shall be considered a benefit to the eligible minor. An approved subsidy shall be payable as of the first of the next month after the community mental health services program receives the written application.
- (b) A family support subsidy shall be used to meet the special needs of the family. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, this subsidy is intended to complement but not supplant public assistance or social service benefits based on economic need, available through governmental programs.
- (c) Except as provided in section 160(2), a family support subsidy shall be in an amount equivalent to the monthly maximum supplemental security income payment available in Michigan for an adult recipient living in the household of another, as formulated under federal regulations as of July 1, 1984. Increases to this rate shall be determined annually by legislative appropriation. In addition, the parent or legal guardian of an eligible minor who is in an out-of-home placement at the time of application may receive a 1-time, lump-sum advance payment of twice the monthly family subsidy amount for the purpose of meeting the special needs of the family to prepare for in-home care.
- (2) A community mental health services program may contract with the department for services that provide for the payment of family support subsidies through the department.
- (3) The parent or legal guardian who receives a family support subsidy shall report, in writing, at least the following information to the community mental health services program:
- (a) Not less than annually, a statement that the family support subsidy was used to meet the special needs of the family.
  - (b) Immediately, the occurrence of any event listed in section 159.
  - (c) Immediately, if the parent or legal guardian requests termination of the family support subsidy.

History: Add. 1983, Act 249, Imd. Eff. Dec. 15, 1983;—Am. 1995, Act 290, Eff. Mar. 28, 1996.

**Compiler's note:** Section 2 of Act 249 of 1983 provides: "This amendatory act shall take effect January 1, 1984, for the purpose of promulgating rules pursuant to section 157, and July 1, 1984, for the purpose of accepting written application."