

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES DIVISION

PL 10003 –MHBG Restore Base Benefits Services

Summary:

This present law adjustment requests an increase in federal funds appropriation for the biennium to match the current award for the Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG).

Background:

The objective of the funding is to support plans for providing comprehensive community mental health services, authorized by section 1911 of Title XIX, Part B, Subpart I and III of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act. The funds are administered by SAMHSA's Center for Mental Health Services (CMS) and states the funds can be flexible for both new and unique programs or to supplement their current activities.

MHBG funds are awarded on a 2-year period. MHBG Standard Terms and Reporting Requirements include,

- Early Serious Mental Illness Set-Aside must not be less than 10% of the total MHBG allocation amount for each fiscal year to support evidence-based programs.
- Crisis Services Set-Aside, not less than 5% of the total MHBG allocation amount for each fiscal year to support evidence-based crisis care programs.

The need for this funding is to target populations, such as, Adults with serious mental illnesses whose condition substantially interferes with, or limits, one or more major life activities. The other target population is Children with serious emotional disturbances, whose condition results in functional impairment that substantially interferes with, or limits, a child's role or functioning in family, school, or community activities.

Budget Request:

	General Fund	State Special	Federal Funds	Total Request
FY 2024	\$0	\$0	\$1,416,209	\$1,416,209
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Biennium Total	\$0	\$0	\$2,832,418	\$2,832,418