



## EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2016 – 31

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### *COORDINATED SYSTEM OF CARE*

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**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 Hospitals 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 these children and their caretakers being served by the Coordinated System of Care;
- B. Reduce the state's cost of providing services by leveraging Medicaid and other 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, JOHN BEL EDWARDS,** Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and 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 and Hospitals 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 policy and monitoring adherence;
- B. Setting standards;
- C. Defining target populations;
- D. Providing multi-departmental oversight;
- E. Directing use of multiple funding sources;
- F. Directing the implementing agencies; and
- G. Monitoring the quality, cost 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 Department of Health and Hospitals, 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. Two (2) family representatives;
- G. One (1) non-voting youth representative; and
- H. One (1) advocate representative.

**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 six 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.

**SECTION 7:** 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 implementing and 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 DHH, 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:** 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 Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

  
**GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA**

**ATTEST BY  
 THE GOVERNOR**

  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**