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CHAPTER 1500

SOCIAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

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Historical Note: This chapter is based substantially upon chapter 17-923, Hawaii Administrative Rules. [Eff 7/19/82; am 2/9/89; R 'JAN 30 1993 ']

$17-1500-1 Goals. Social rehabilitation services are services provided to eligible individuals within the context of a residential treatment facility. Social rehabilitation services shall be aimed at helping eligible individuals:

(1) Achieve self-sufficiency by providing services to individuals to improve levels of personal and social functioning and to enable individuals to maintain themselves at a maximum level of independence;

(2) Prevent or remedy neglect, abuse, or exploitation of children and adults unable to protect their own interests; or

§17-1500-2 Definitions. For the purpose of this chapter:

"Child caring institution" or "group home" means any institution or group home other than an institution of the State, maintained for the purpose of receiving six or more minor children for care and maintenance, not of common parents, apart from the parents or guardians on a twenty-four hour basis for monetary payment. The term shall not apply to any boarding school which is primarily engaged in educational work.

"Social rehabilitation services" means the provision of therapeutic activities within a child caring institution, group home, or staff secure facility to individuals with diagnosed physical or developmental disabilities, to individuals with serious emotional, behavioral, or interpersonal adjustment problems, or to unmarried mothers.

"Staff secure facility" means a treatment facility which provides room and board, and intensive treatment and rehabilitation services, which are within the context of a group living experience and which are based upon an individualized treatment plan. [Eff JAN 30 1993] (Auth: HRS §346-14) (Imp: HRS §346-14)

§17-1500-3 Eligibility requirements. (a) In order to be eligible for social rehabilitation services, the child shall meet eligibility requirements for one of the following categories:

(1) Child meeting social services income maintenance requirements as specified in section 17-912-22(2)(A); or

(2) Child meeting social services income eligibility requirements as specified in section 17-912-22(2)(B).

(b) In addition, the child shall require therapeutic services within a structured, residential program due to a diagnosed condition of emotional, behavioral, or interpersonal adjustment problems as based on the department social worker's assessment. [Eff JAN 30 1993] (Auth: HRS §346-14) (Auth: HRS §346-14; 42 U.S.C. §§1397a, 1397c)

§17-1500-4 Geographic areas of service. Social rehabilitation services shall be available Statewide to eligible children subject to the availability of spaces

§17-1500-5 Scope of service. (a) Social rehabilitation services shall be provided in a child caring institution, group home, or staff secure facility where the child lives for the duration of the service.

(b) Social rehabilitation services shall include one or more of the following activities:

(1) Teaching or increasing the daily living and self-management skills of the individual such as home management, personal hygiene, money management, communication skills, grooming, appropriate behavior, personal planning, and decision-making skills;

(2) Developing or improving the child's ability to interact and relate with others;

(3) Referring the child to community resources with follow-up where needed;

(4) Providing a program to assist the child in making the transition to independent living or other foster care;

(5) Providing twenty-four hour room and board as part of the total rehabilitation service for children requiring closer supervision and who are unable to remain in their homes or foster homes;

(6) Counseling to the child's family in order that the family may understand the child's adjustment problems, resolve interrelationship problems, and participate in planning for the child in the residential program and possible return home;

(7) Psychiatric or psychological case consultation geared to increasing the residential staff's understanding of difficult adjustment cases in order to provide effective therapeutic or rehabilitation services to the child. [Eff JAN 30 2003 ] (Auth: HRS §346-14) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 U.S.C. §§1397a, 1397c)

§17-1500-6 Authorization for service. (a) The purchase of social rehabilitation services shall be
authorized for children meeting the eligibility requirements of section 17-1500-3.

(b) The effective date of service authorization for social rehabilitation services shall be no earlier than the date on which the individual became eligible for the service.

(c) Payment for the initial and termination months of service shall be prorated and payment shall be based on the actual number of days of service. [Eff JAN 30 1993 ] (Auth: HRS §346-14) (Imp: §346-14; 42 U.S.C. §§1397a, 1397c)

§17-1500-7 Termination of service. (a) Social rehabilitation services shall be terminated under one or more of the following conditions:

(1) The social worker’s assessment based on observation of the child and discussions with the individual and social rehabilitation staff is that the child has progressed to the extent that services are no longer needed;

(2) The child terminates participation in the program independently;

(3) The child expresses unwillingness to receive or continue the service or the social worker’s assessment based on observations of the child and discussions with the child and the social rehabilitation facility’s staff is that the child is unwilling or unable to make constructive use of the services, and the department social worker determines that continuation of the service is contrary to the overall treatment or rehabilitation plan;

(4) The child no longer meets eligibility requirements specified in section 17-1500-3;

(5) The service provider no longer has a valid contract with the department to provide the service;

(6) The child leaves the State;

(7) The service required by the individual is not encompassed by the scope of services in section 17-1500-5; or

(8) The recipient dies.

(b) Social rehabilitation services shall be terminated upon mutual agreement between the child and the department or after written notice of the intent to terminate has been given the child as specified in section 17-912-49. The mutual agreement shall be in
writing and a copy shall be given to the client. [Eff JAN 30 1993] (Auth: HRS §346-14) (Imp: HRS §346-14; 42 U.S.C. §§1397a, 1397c)