

Recommendations: CSB Funding

RECOMMENDATION 1

The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services should develop a method to factor in the revenue that each community services board (CSB) should be able to collect through Medicaid and private insurance reimbursements when determining allocations of non-Medicaid state and federal funds to CSBs so that such funds can only be used to pay for services not fully reimbursed by Medicaid. (Chapter 3)

RECOMMENDATION 2

The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services should work with the Department of Medical Assistance Services and the community services boards (CSBs) to analyze if CSBs are maximizing their Medicaid reimbursement for services, and if not, put processes in place to ensure CSBs are maximizing their Medicaid reimbursements. (Chapter 3)

OPTION 1

The General Assembly could consider including language in the Appropriation Act (i) establishing specific objectives for the extent to which funding that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) allocates to community services boards (CSBs) should support consistent services statewide versus services that address each community's needs and (ii) directing DBHDS, in collaboration with the CSBs, to develop and submit a proposed funding allocation strategy to meet these objectives to the Joint Subcommittee on Mental Health Services in the Twenty-First Century. (Chapter 2)
