

(v) Aftercare services.

(vi) Consultation services.

(vii) Education services.

(viii) Other preventive or rehabilitation services or treatment.

(ix) Community residential programs for children and adolescents.

(2) Research and training that are designed to improve or extend these services are proper items of expense.

(b) [1] Services under this section shall be provided by public agencies or, under contract, by nonprofit organizations AND PRIVATE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS.

(2) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL PROHIBIT THE SECRETARY FROM CONTRACTING WITH INDIVIDUAL LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, INCLUDING PSYCHIATRISTS, PSYCHOLOGISTS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND PSYCHIATRIC NURSES.

~~(c) -- THE -- SECRETARY -- SHALL -- CONTRACT -- WITH -- PRIVATE COMMUNITY-BASED -- ORGANIZATIONS -- TO -- PROVIDE -- COMMUNITY-MENTAL-HEALTH SERVICES --~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall develop by July 1, 1989, a plan, including options for funding mechanisms, that will provide for the privatization of community mental health center services by contracting with nonprofit and private community-based organizations and individual licensed mental health care providers, including psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and psychiatric nurses.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall present this plan to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1312 of the State Government Article, by not later than October 1, 1989.

SECTION 2 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.