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DIVISION 10.5. ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS [11750 - 11975] (*Heading of Division 10.5 amended by Stats. 2013, Ch. 22, Sec. 18.)*

PART 2. STATE GOVERNMENT'S ROLE TO ALLEVIATE PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE INAPPROPRIATE USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND OTHER DRUG USE [11760 - 11872] (*Heading of Part 2 amended by Stats. 2004, Ch. 862, Sec. 43.)*

CHAPTER 4. State-County Partnership [11795 - 11819.1] (*Chapter 4 added by Stats. 1979, Ch. 679.)*

ARTICLE 2. County Administration [11800 - 11803] (*Article 2 added by Stats. 1979, Ch. 679.)*

11800. (a) The board of supervisors shall designate a health-related county agency or department that shall administer the county alcohol and other drug program. The board of supervisors or the head of the designated health-related agency or department shall appoint an alcohol and drug program administrator, who shall report to the head of the agency or department through administrative channels designated by the board of supervisors. The county alcohol and other drug program shall be placed at the same administrative level and have responsibility and authority similar to other major health programs in the county.

(b) In accordance with regulations adopted by the department, the alcohol and drug program administrator shall be qualified by his or her ability, training, and experience to administer or coordinate and monitor the county alcohol and other drug program.

(*Amended by Stats. 2004, Ch. 862, Sec. 68. Effective January 1, 2005.*)

11801. The alcohol and drug program administrator, acting through administrative channels designated pursuant to Section 11795, shall do all of the following:

(a) Coordinate and be responsible for the preparation of the county contract.

(b) Ensure compliance with applicable laws relating to discrimination against any person because of any characteristic listed or defined in Section 11135 of the Government Code.

(c) Submit an annual report to the board of supervisors reporting all activities of the alcohol and other drug program, including a financial accounting of expenditures, number of persons served, and a forecast of anticipated needs for the upcoming year.

(d) Be directly responsible for the administration of all alcohol or other drug program funds allocated to the county under this part, administration of county operated programs, and coordination and monitoring of programs that have contracts with the county to provide alcohol and other drug services.

(e) Ensure the evaluation of alcohol and other drug programs, including the collection of appropriate and necessary client data and program information, pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 11825).

(f) Ensure program quality in compliance with appropriate standards pursuant to Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 11830).

(g) Participate and represent the county in meetings of the County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California pursuant to Section 11811.5 for the purposes of representing the counties in their relationship with the state with respect to policies, standards, and administration for alcohol and other drug services.

(h) Perform any other acts that may be necessary, desirable, or proper to carry out the purposes of this part.

(*Amended by Stats. 2024, Ch. 847, Sec. 26. (AB 2995) Effective January 1, 2025.*)

11802. (a) Money deposited in the county alcohol abuse education and prevention fund pursuant to Section 1463.25 of the Penal Code shall be jointly administered by the administrator of the county's alcohol and other drug program and the county office of education subject to the approval of the board of supervisors and the county office of education. A minimum of 33 percent of the fund shall be allocated to primary prevention programs in the schools and community. Primary prevention programs developed and implemented under this section shall emphasize cooperation in planning and program implementation of alcohol abuse education and prevention among schools and community alcohol and other drug abuse agencies. Coordination shall be demonstrated through

an interagency agreement among county offices of education, school districts, and the county alcohol and drug program administrator.

(b) Programs funded, planned, and implemented under this section shall emphasize a joint school-community primary education and prevention program that may include:

(1) School and classroom-oriented programs, including, but not limited to, programs designed to encourage sound decisionmaking, an awareness of values, an awareness of alcohol and its effects, enhanced self-esteem, social and practical skills that will assist students toward maturity, enhanced or improved school climate and relationships among all school personnel and students, and furtherance of cooperative efforts of school- and community-based personnel.

(2) School- or community-based nonclassroom alternative programs, or both, including, but not limited to, positive peer group programs, programs involving youth and adults in constructive activities designed as alternatives to alcohol use, and programs for special target groups, such as women, ethnic minorities, and other high-risk, high-need populations.

(3) Family-oriented programs, including, but not limited to, programs aimed at improving family relationships and involving parents constructively in the education and nurturing of their children, as well as in specific activities aimed at preventing alcohol abuse.

(c) The money deposited under subdivision (a) shall supplement and not supplant any local funds made available to support the county's alcohol abuse education and prevention efforts.

(d) If the county has a drug abuse primary prevention program, it may choose to combine or coordinate its drug and alcohol abuse education and prevention programs.

(Amended by Stats. 2004, Ch. 862, Sec. 70. Effective January 1, 2005.)

11803. If the county has an alcohol and other drug advisory board, the alcohol and drug program administrator, acting through administrative channels designated pursuant to Section 11795, may do either or both of the following:

(a) Provide reports and information periodically to the advisory board regarding the status of alcohol and other drug programs in the county and keep the advisory board informed regarding changes in relevant state, federal, and local laws or regulations or improvements in program design and services that may affect the county alcohol and other drug program.

(b) Provide for the orientation of the members of the advisory board, including, but not limited to, the provision of information and materials on alcohol and other drug problems and programs, planning, procedures, and site visits to local programs.

(Added by Stats. 2012, Ch. 36, Sec. 32. (SB 1014) Effective June 27, 2012. Operative July 1, 2012, by Sec. 83 of Ch. 36.)