

CHAPTER 30**DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES:
ORGANIZATIONAL RULES****Authority**

N.J.S.A. 30:9A-12, 52:14B-4(b) and 52:14B-4(f).

Source and Effective Date

R.2001 d.398, effective October 5, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 3742(a).

Chapter Expiration Date

Chapter 30, Division of Mental Health Services: Organizational Rules, expires on October 5, 2006.

Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 30, Manual of Standards for Long-Term Care Facilities, was adopted as R.1971 d.207, effective November 6, 1971. See: 3 N.J.R. 152(a), 3 N.J.R. 256(d).

Chapter 30, Manual of Standards for Long-Term Care Facilities, was repealed by R.1983 d.236, effective June 20, 1983. See: 15 N.J.R. 279(a), 15 N.J.R. 1022(b).

Chapter 30, New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Hospitals: Organizational Rule, was adopted as new rules by R.1985 d.515, effective September 23, 1985. See: 17 N.J.R. 2558(a). Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1976), Chapter 30, New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Hospitals: Organizational Rule, expired on September 23, 1990. See: 33 N.J.R. 2666(a).

Chapter 30, Division of Mental Health and Services: Organizational Rules, was adopted as new rules by R.2001 d.398, effective October 5, 2001. See: Source and Effective Date.

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**SUBCHAPTER 1. FUNCTIONS; PUBLIC
INFORMATION, REQUESTS AND
SUBMISSIONS****10:30-1.1 Functions of the Division**

(a) The Division of Mental Health Services is responsible for the development, coordination and operational support of a comprehensive mental health system. The major objectives of the Division are to ensure:

1. Accessible and clinically appropriate mental health services;

2. Community based care, with hospitalization only when necessary, designed to maximize the consumer's level of functioning and independence; and

3. Individualized treatment reflecting the needs and strengths of each consumer.

(b) The Division supervises the provision of a broad range of community mental health services throughout the State. It contracts with more than 120 community agencies to provide outpatient, case management, emergency, programs of assertive community treatment ("PACT"), partial care, residential, systems advocacy, supported employment, family support, and consumer-operated services, and to provide screening services which reduce inappropriate admissions to State and county psychiatric hospitals.

(c) The Division operates six psychiatric hospitals: four regional hospitals (Ancora Psychiatric Hospital, Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital, Garret W. Hagedorn Gero-Psychiatric Hospital, and Trenton Psychiatric Hospital); a children's facility (Arthur Brisbane Child Treatment Center); and the Ann Klein Forensic Center. Specialized services (for geriatric, dual disabled, hearing impaired, and other populations) are also provided at one or more of the six hospitals operated by the Division.

(d) Six counties also operate psychiatric hospitals. The Division administers the State aid program which supplies 90 percent of the funding for the treatment of indigent patients, and reviews program standards at those facilities.

(e) Pursuant to the Community Mental Health Services Act (N.J.S.A. 30:9A-1 et seq., specifically 30:9A-19), the Division licenses certain community mental health programs.

(f) The Division's Central Office oversees the provision of community and institutional care with emphasis on quality assurance, training, program development, evaluation, management, information systems, and fiscal and systems planning.

(g) Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:4-27.1 et seq., the Division regulates the provision of emergency mental health services at inpatient units in psychiatric hospitals known as short term care facilities, as well as the assessment and referral functions of screening centers.

10:30-1.2 Public information, requests and submissions

The public has ready access to information regarding all Division activities (except as to individual consumers). Questions concerning a specific hospital or agency should be directed to the Chief Executive or Director, respectively. Each county has a County Mental Health Administrator who will provide assistance when requested. Questions concerning general policies should be directed to the Depart-

ment's Public Information Office, PO Box 700, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0700. Each hospital and agency as well as the Division have advisory boards to facilitate ongoing public participation in the development of the mental health system.