

Performance Note SB0127 - Human Services **Program Amendments**

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Performance Note Report

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Public Benefit:

Purpose: This bill makes changes to the current Office of Licensing statute. This will require the Office to inspect each congregate care program multiple times a year; describes when a congregate care program may use a restraint or seclusion; requires a congregate care program to maintain suicide prevention policies; prohibits a human services program from engaging in sex and gender based discrimination; and makes technical changes.

Services: This bill will require additional site visits (4 per year) for congregate care facilities.

Expected Outcome: By increasing the number of site visits in congregate care facilities the Office will be able to be more proactive in identifying health and safety concerns.

Implementations and Resources: The Office will hire additional staff to conduct additional site visits. Congregate Care licenses will then be assigned to licensors to ensure they are able to meet the quarterly site visits.

How: By increasing site visits, the Office will identify health and safety concerns in facilities sooner. The Office will hold programs accountable for fixing the health or safety violation. By identifying violations earlier licensees will be able to correct them to prevent incidents from occurring and keeping their clients and staff safe.

Performance Measures

Goal

Title: Protect the vulnerable youth in congregate care facilities by being proactive in enforcement of statute and laws to ensure health and safety.

Description: The percentage of congregate care programs that receive 4 site visits per year.

Collection Method: The Office will use its data system to identify the number of congregate care facilities and the number of site visits per year per licensee.

	2021	2022	2023
%	0.00	80.00	85.00
0	0.00	0.00	0.00

Goal

Title: The bill is intended to reduce incidents by increasing proactive announced and unannounced contact by the regulatory office with the licensee.

Description: Number of incidents is intended to decrease as compliance increases, thereby improving client experience in the program and potentially outcomes.

Collection Method: The Office will utilize a database (LION/MLO) and the Management Information Center (MIC) in order to pull baseline incident numbers and subsequent year incident numbers if bill is passed and implemented.

	2021	2022	2023
Target	0.00	0.00	0.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

Goal

Title: Increased program reporting requirements of use of restraints is intended to promote the use of lesser interventions and thereby improve clients experience and potentially client outcomes.

Description: Number of restraints utilized in the program.

Collection Method: Programs will be required to report all restraints utilized with clients. The Office will utilize a database (LION/MLO) and the Management Information Center (MIC) to compile and track these numbers if the bill is passed and implemented.

	2021	2022	2023
Target	0.00	0.00	0.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

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