

230A.10 Powers and duties of trustees.

The community mental health center board of trustees shall:

1. Have authority to adopt bylaws and rules for its own guidance and for the government of the center.
2. Employ a director and staff for the center, fix their compensation, and have control over the director and staff.
3. Designate at least one of the trustees to visit and review the operation of the center at least once each month.
4. Procure and pay premiums on insurance policies required for the prudent management of the center, including but not limited to public liability, professional malpractice liability, workers' compensation and vehicle liability, any of which may include as additional insureds the board of trustees and employees of the center.
5. Establish, with approval of the board or joint boards of supervisors of the county or counties served by the center, standards to be followed in determining whether and to what extent persons seeking services from the center shall be considered able to pay the cost of the services received.
6. Establish, with approval of the board or joint boards of supervisors of the county or counties served by the center, policies regarding whether the services of the center will be made available to persons who are not residents of the county or counties served by the center, and if so upon what terms.
7. Purchase or lease a site for the center, and provide and equip suitable quarters for the center.
8. Prepare and approve plans and specifications for all center buildings and equipment, and advertise for bids as required by law for county buildings before making any contract for the construction of any building or purchase of equipment.
9. File with the board of supervisors within thirty days after the close of each budget year, a report covering their proceedings with reference to the center and a statement of all receipts and expenditures during the preceding budget year.
10. Accept property by gift, devise, bequest or otherwise; and, if the board deems it advisable, may, at public sale, sell or exchange any property so accepted upon a concurring vote of a majority of all members of the board of trustees, and apply the proceeds thereof, or property received in exchange therefor, to the purposes enumerated in [subsection 7](#), or to purchase equipment.
11. There shall be published quarterly in each of the official newspapers of the county as selected by the board of supervisors pursuant to [section 349.1](#) the schedule of bills allowed and there shall be published annually in such newspapers the schedule of salaries paid by job classification and category, but not by listing names of individual employees. The names, addresses, salaries and job classification of all employees paid in whole or in part from public funds shall be a public record and open to inspection at reasonable times as designated by the board of trustees.
12. Recruit, promote, accept and use local financial support for the community mental health center from private sources such as community service funds, business, industrial and private foundations, voluntary agencies and other lawful sources.
13. Accept and expend state and federal funds available directly to the community mental health center for all or any part of the cost of any service the center is authorized to provide.
14. Enter into a contract with an affiliate, which may be an individual or a public or private group, agency, or corporation, organized and operating on either a profit or a nonprofit basis, for any of the services described in [section 230A.2](#), to be provided by the affiliate to residents of the county or counties served by the community mental health center who are patients or clients of the center and are referred by the center to the affiliate for service.

[C75, 77, 79, 81, §230A.10]

83 Acts, ch 101, §41

Referred to in [§230A.3](#)