

905.7 Assistance by state department.

The Iowa department of corrections shall provide assistance and support to the respective judicial districts to aid them in complying with this chapter, and shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 17A establishing guidelines in accordance with and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter. The guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to, requirements that each district department:

1. Provide pretrial release, presentence investigations, probation services, parole services, work release services, programs for offenders convicted under chapter 321J, and residential treatment centers throughout the district, as necessary.

2. Locate community-based correctional program services in or near municipalities providing a substantial number of treatment and service resources.

3. Follow practices and procedures which maximize the availability of federal funding for the district department's community-based correctional program and assist the department of transportation which is authorized to follow practices and procedures designed to maximize the availability of federal funding for the enforcement and implementation of drunk driver prevention and other highway safety programs.

4. Provide for gathering and evaluating performance data relative to the district department's community-based correctional program and make other detailed reports to the Iowa department of corrections as requested by the board of corrections or the director of the department of corrections.

5. Maintain personnel and fiscal records on a uniform basis.

6. Provide a program to assist the court in placing defendants who as a condition of probation are sentenced to perform unpaid community service.

7. Provide for community participation in the planning and programming of the district department's community-based correctional program.

8. Provide for standards by rule for mental fitness which shall govern the initial recruitment, selection, and appointment of parole and probation officers.

[C75, 77, §217.26, 217.28, 217.29; C79, 81, §905.7; 82 Acts, ch 1069, §2]

83 Acts, ch 89, §3; 83 Acts, ch 96, §138, 139, 159; 85 Acts, ch 21, §51; 87 Acts, ch 118, §6; 93 Acts, ch 171, §21; 99 Acts, ch 182, §7