

217.6 Rules — organization of department.

1. The director may submit to the council for review and recommendation, rules necessary to administer the duties, functions, and programs of the department. The director may consider such recommendations in adopting rules for the department.

2. The rules adopted for the public benefits and programs administered by the department shall apply the residency eligibility restrictions required by federal and state law.

3. The director shall organize the department into subunits as necessary to most efficiently carry out the intent of [this chapter](#) and any other chapter the department is responsible for administering.

4. If the department requires or requests a service consumer, service provider, or other person to maintain required documentation in electronic form, the department shall accept such documentation submitted by electronic means and shall not require a physical copy of the documentation unless required by state or federal law.

[C71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §217.6; [81 Acts, ch 78, §20, 22](#)]

[83 Acts, ch 96, §64, 159](#); [94 Acts, ch 1170, §27](#); [2006 Acts, ch 1115, §21](#); [2010 Acts, ch 1031, §406](#); [2011 Acts, ch 34, §52](#); [2011 Acts, ch 122, §19, 23](#); [2020 Acts, ch 1062, §26](#); [2023 Acts, ch 19, §331](#); [2024 Acts, ch 1170, §406](#)