

### 225A.7 Behavioral health fund.

1. For purposes of [this section](#):

a. “Population” means, as of July 1 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year in which the population figure is applied, the population shown by the latest preceding certified federal census or the latest applicable population estimate issued by the United States census bureau, whichever is most recent.

b. “State growth factor” for a fiscal year means an amount equal to the dollar amount used to calculate the appropriation under [this section](#) for the immediately preceding fiscal year multiplied by the percent increase, if any, in the amount of sales tax revenue deposited into the general fund of the state under [section 423.2A, subsection 1](#), paragraph “a”, less the transfers required under [section 423.2A, subsection 2](#), between the fiscal year beginning three years prior to the applicable fiscal year and the fiscal year beginning two years prior to the applicable year, but not to exceed one and one-half percent.

2. A behavioral health fund is established in the state treasury under the control of the department. The fund shall consist of moneys deposited into the fund pursuant to [this section](#) and [section 426B.1](#), gifts of money or property accepted by the state or the department to support any services under [this chapter](#) or [chapter 231](#), and moneys otherwise appropriated by the general assembly. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the department to implement and administer the behavioral health service system and related programs including but not limited to all of the following:

a. Distributions to administrative services organizations to provide services as outlined in the organizations’ district behavioral health plan.

b. Distributions to providers of mental health services and addictive disorder services, including but not limited to tobacco use services, substance use disorder services, and problem gambling services.

c. Funding of disability services pursuant to [chapter 231](#). This paragraph is repealed July 1, 2028.

3. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, there is transferred from the general fund of the state to the behavioral health fund an amount equal to forty-two dollars multiplied by the state’s population for the fiscal year.

4. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and each succeeding fiscal year, there is transferred from the general fund of the state to the behavioral health fund an amount equal to the state’s population for the fiscal year multiplied by the sum of the dollar amount used to calculate the transfer from the general fund to the behavioral health fund for the immediately preceding fiscal year, plus the state growth factor for the fiscal year for which the transfer is being made.

5. For each fiscal year, an administrative services organization shall not spend on administrative costs an amount more than seven percent of the total amount distributed to the administrative services organization through [this section](#) and all other appropriations for the same fiscal year.

6. Moneys in the behavioral health fund may be used by the department for cash flow purposes, provided that any moneys so allocated are returned to the behavioral health fund by the end of each fiscal year.

7. Notwithstanding [section 12C.7, subsection 2](#), interest or earnings on moneys deposited in the behavioral health fund shall be credited to the behavioral health fund.

8. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys appropriated in [this section](#) that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated.

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