

DHS Addictions and Mental Health Division
Mental Health Planning and Management Advisory Council

Roles and Responsibilities

To AMH:

- Advise AMH regarding mental health policies and programs.
- Make recommendations regarding the identification, development and utilization of resources.
- Address mental health issues across a person's lifespan.
- Formalize mechanism for communication with AMH Management Staff (Recommendations to AMH and feedback back on how the recommendations were received and implemented).
- Develop and maintain an Action Log to record the history of Motions, Decisions and Action Steps.

To ASAC and CSAC Subcommittees:

- Utilize the two standing subcommittees, and create additional subcommittees as needed, to work issues in detail and bring policy recommendations and suggestions for action items to MHPAMAC for approval, and subsequent forwarding to AMH.

To Constituent Groups:

- MHPAMAC members will report and bring back information on mental health issues being addressed by the constituent groups/respective state agencies to which they belong. **NOTE:** MHPAMAC will have to develop a protocol for solicitation of endorsements and funding proposals by constituent groups.
- Members will bring forward opportunities for advocacy and policy development to the full MHPAMAC for recommended action to: AMH, DHS, the Governor and/or the Legislature.

To the Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG):

- Review, monitor, evaluate and make recommendations regarding federal Mental Health Block Grant performance measures.
- Review, monitor and make recommendations regarding the block grant budget, expenditures and contractual obligations.
- Approve final draft of block grant application prior to submission in the fall.