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Amend s. 46.03(44)(b): Adopting policies to ensure that, to the extent possible under state and federal law, ~~all~~ funding for alcohol and other drug abuse intervention and treatment services administered by the department ~~is distributed based on~~ gives primary consideration to the effectiveness of the services in meeting department performance standards for alcohol and other drug abuse services.

Note: We are concerned that sub (b) as currently written forces DHFS to consider only information on project effectiveness in making funding decisions. But to make decisions that are in the best interest of the public, the Department should consider a number of factors such as the cost of the project relative to other similar projects and the agency's history in following state and federal laws and guidelines and best practice standards. The effectiveness of the agency's services should certainly be a major consideration, but it should not be the only consideration. And, in some areas of the state, there may only be one provider. If that provider has not demonstrated effectiveness meeting a minimum standard in the past, we would be prevented from funding the provider and working with them to improve their services. The result would be that people would not receive any services. We also need to acknowledge that our ability to predict how effective an agency will be in the future is not perfect.

Amend s. 46.03(44)(d) to say: Requiring every recipient of funding for alcohol and other drug abuse intervention and treatment services to provide the granting agency the results of the evaluation conducted under sub. (c) as information requested by the department for evaluating the effectiveness of the program.

Note: We are concerned that sub (d) as currently drafted in the bill would make DHFS directly responsible for evaluating each individual project. This places an incredible fiscal burden and resource drain on the Department. It also is inconsistent with item (c) that requires each agency to include a plan for the evaluation in its application for funding. Requiring local agencies to evaluate their own projects is a better approach because the evaluation can be tailored to the local project needs and be useful in improving project operations in the future. DHFS will be responsible for approving agency evaluation plans and for reviewing and judging evaluation findings and then using these findings in making future funding decisions.

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1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 1. Page 12, line 21: delete lines 21 to 23 and substitute:

3 "(d) Require^{ing} every person applying for and receiving funding for alcohol and
4 other drug abuse intervention or treatment services to provide the department the
5 results of the evaluation conducted under par. (c).".

6 2. Page 18, line 10: delete lines 10 to 12 and substitute:

7 "(d) Require every person applying for and receiving funding for alcohol and
8 other drug abuse intervention or treatment services to provide the department the
9 results of the evaluation conducted under par. (c).".

10 (END)

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