

MCRSP LIFELINE

Missouri Coalition of Recovery Support Providers

May 9, 2023 ~ Edition 3 Volume 4

MCRSP Legislative Priorities for 2023

FY2024 Budget Priorities:

The Missouri House and Senate reconciled and finally passed their budget bills on Friday, May 5, sending the agreed-upon budget to Governor Parson for his signature. Included in the finally agreed upon budget were three budget priorities of MCRSP for this year, representing a large increase for RSS funding for FY2024, which begins July 1, 2023.

Specifically, HB10 (the funding bill that funds both the Department of Mental Health and Department of Health and Senior Services), Section .110 for Recovery Support Providers with the Access to Recovery Program, had an FY2023 appropriation of \$3,920,740. The new, FY2024 approved bill includes \$6,117,527 in general revenue for Recovery Support Providers, including the following MCRSP priorities:

1. New Decision Item (NDI) -- \$215,000 for a 5.5% across-the-board rate increase for RSS providers, which all of the other behavioral health organizations received last year. As a result of this provision, for example, housing rates will increase from \$25.88 per night to \$27.40 per night. All of the other RSS services will also increase by 5.5% beginning July 1.
2. NDI -- \$481,787 for a value-based payment system for RSS providers. This was a recommendation from the Governor's original budget and was also supported by MCRSP. More information on how to access these value-based payments will be forthcoming from MCRSP and DMH.
3. \$1.5 million for respite housing.

The FY2024 budget also includes \$2,598,084 in federal funds for the RSS program.

Other Bills MCRSP Supports:

- HB1028 (Travis Smith) / SB547 (Rusty Black) - establishes a 50% benevolent tax credit program for donations made to addiction recovery organizations. The bill passed unanimously out of the Corrections and Public Institutions Committee and unanimously out of the Rules Committee. It is now on the House informal perfection calendar awaiting floor action. With only a few days left in the legislative session, however, it is unlikely the bill will pass this year unless it is attached to another piece of legislation in the final days of the session. The legislature will conclude this year's session on Friday, May 12.
- HB352 (Christofanelli) / SB347 (Trent) - would establish an automated system for expunging the criminal records of justice-involved individuals. This House "Clean Slate" legislation was heard by the Judiciary Committee earlier this year and MCRSP and several MCRSP members provided testimony on the bill. The bill has remained in the Judiciary Committee, however, and is unlikely to be acted on before the end of the session.
- Identification for justice-involved individuals prior to being released from the Department of Corrections. The language that would require the DOC to establish procedures for everyone to obtain their IDs and sign up for Medicaid has been inserted into HB301. This bill has already passed the House and had a hearing in the Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee on February 27. There are several provisions to this bill, however, which not everyone may support. DOC has agreed to make changes to its internal procedures in dealing with the identification for offenders. These new procedures are expected to be rolled out by the middle of summer.

IMPORTANT RSS INFORMATION

Recently, the Missouri Department of Mental Health issued bid opportunities on MissouriBUYS for two very important solicitations for current and new RSS Providers. Current RSS Providers will need to complete the bid for renewals.

Everyone must reply to the IFB if they want to continue to be an RSS provider. In addition, if you already have a NARR-accredited recovery home or are certified by the Department of Mental Health, you can apply to be a new RSS provider. To emphasize once again, all current RSS providers must submit a bid under the above-referenced IFB if they wish to continue providing services after June 30, 2023.

Also, bidders are asked to submit their bids via mail to the address on the face page of IFB rather than in MissouriBuys in order to expedite the contract approval process. Bids submitted via MissouriBuys cannot be reviewed until after the closing date of the IFB. If you have already submitted a bid in MissouriBuys, we ask that you mail it as well. "

Recovery Support Services Access Sites

- [MissouriBUYS link to #SDA42023075A](#) - PDF version of #SDA42023075A

Recovery Support Services

- [MissouriBUYS link to #SDA42023020](#) - PDF version of #SDA42023020

The Communities Project & D-Degree Coaching & Training

The Missouri Department of Mental Health, the Missouri Credentialing Board, and other community partners are bringing an opportunity for Missouri Peers. Apply to the Transformational Leadership Cohort of 20 peers across Missouri. The application process will be highly selective. The 20 Peers selected to participate will need to attend all five training sessions to receive 15 CEUs. The training dates are as follows:

- ~Friday, July 21, 2023 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm CT: *Vision, Identify & Values*
- ~Friday, August 18, 2023 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm CT: *Creating a Leadership Practice*
- ~Friday, September 22, 2023 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm CT: *Storytelling & Leadership*
- ~Friday, October 20, 2023 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm CT: *Developing Collective Leadership*
- ~Friday, November 17, 2023 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm CT: *Goal Setting, Planning & Achieving Change*

To submit your application click [here](#)

MCRSP Trainings Available

NARR ~ RELIAS ~ FLETCHER GROUP

Please email [Jamie](#) for more information.

ATTENTION

RSS Providers & MCRSP Members

MCRSP and Get Help have been in the process of attending Affiliate meetings introducing the Advanced Recovery Management System or ARMS featuring the RECCAP Assessment tool for measuring Recovery Capitol to RSS Providers and MCRSP Members. If you were unable to attend the introduction meeting, there will be a statewide meeting in which DMH will be in attendance to discuss the value-based payment feature on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at 11:00 am. Please watch your email for the meeting link. It will be going out very soon. If you do not receive this email or have any questions, please contact [Christa](#).

MCRSP Affiliate Meetings

Click [HERE](#) for Regional Affiliate meeting information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

6th Annual Intersection of Christian Beliefs and Recovery Seminar

August 25-26, 2023 ~ Landmark Church, 204 Metro Dr., Jefferson City, MO 65109

Click [here](#) for Conference Agenda ~ Click [here](#) for Conference Flyer & Registration

MCRSP/Recovery Coalition of the Ozarks Conference

September 11, 2023 ~ Thousand Hills Resort Hotel, 120 S. Wildwood Dr., Branson, MO 65616

[BE A MCRSP/RCO CONFERENCE SPONSOR](#)



Missouri Coalition of Recovery Support Providers

Missouri's Recovery Lifeline

MCRSP Staff Contact Information

Interim Executive Director: [Mark Shields](#)

Housing Director: [Wm. Andy Thomas, MA, CCJP, MARS](#)

Administrative Assistance: [Christa Harmon, MAADC II, MRSS, MARS](#)

Training & Technical Assistance Director: [Jamie Martin](#)

Phone: 573-761-1087

We are strengthened by our differences!

Share this email:



[Manage](#) your preferences | [Opt out](#) using TrueRemove®

Got this as a forward? [Sign up](#) to receive our future emails.

View this email [online](#).

1305 Southwest Blvd., Ste. D
Jefferson City, MO | 65109 US

This email was sent to .
To continue receiving our emails, add us to your address book.

[Subscribe](#) to our email list.



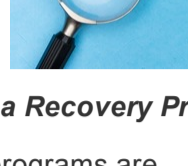
Find Your Legislators'

[House Members](#)

[Senate Members](#)

Your State Government

[Missouri Government](#)

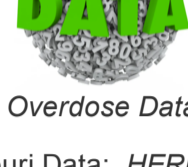


Find a Recovery Program

Our programs are designed to further our mission and provide much-needed services for the community. Find a place to get help **NOW**.

[Safe Family Support](#)

[Locator](#)



Overdose Data

Missouri Data: [HERE](#)

NCHS Data: [HERE](#)

CDC Data: [HERE](#)

NVSS Data: [HERE](#)



Click [HERE](#)

for Missouri Locations

Show Me Recovery Story

Are you a person in recovery;

share your recovery story

[here](#).