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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (ICAR) AGENDA

Monday, March 8, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Microsoft Teams Meeting
For public comment, please email ADM.Secretary@vermont.gov
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- Welcome
- Review and approval of the minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting
- Note any additions or deletions from the agenda
- Public comment
- Presentation of the following proposed rules:
 1. Licensing and Operating Regulations for Therapeutic Community Residences, Agency of Human Services, Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living
 - a. As required by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 139, these rules permit the secure residential recovery facility to utilize emergency involuntary procedures, and they incorporate the rules adopted by the Vermont Department of Mental Health that govern the use of emergency involuntary procedures in psychiatric inpatient units. During the Serious Mental Illness/Institutions for Mental Disease (SMI/IMD) waiver negotiations with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), CMS outlined milestones that Vermont needed to meet. Within Milestone 2 is a state requirement to ensure psychiatric hospitals and residential settings contact beneficiaries and community-based providers, through the most effective means possible (e.g., email, text, or phone call), within 72 hours of discharge. Vermont is meeting this requirement by implementing it into administrative rule.
 2. General/Emergency Assistance Rules, Agency of Human Services, Department for Children and Families, Economic Services Division
 - a. The General Assistance and Emergency Assistance programs (GA/EA) provide temporary housing to Vermonters experiencing homelessness either through the criteria under the category of catastrophic situations or by meeting the criteria under vulnerable populations. The GA/EA programs provide eligible recipients with motel vouchers when there is no shelter space available. The proposed rule removes all references to temporary housing from the GA/EA rules and temporary housing will no longer be administered by the GA/EA programs. Included in this proposal are technical corrections and deletions of obsolete references such as Town Service Officers.
- Equity Impact on ICAR Rules: Presentation by Executive Director of Racial Equity Xusana Davis
- Committee discussion led by member Diane Sherman on the Public Input form.
- Next meeting date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.
- Adjournment

