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MHAN HB 1012 Priorities for Consideration for the Senate Appropriations-Human Resources Division Committee

1. Children's Crisis Stabilization Beds

- MHAN requests the addition of \$6 million for crisis stabilization beds for children as proposed in the Governor's budget.
- This is a critical aspect of the children's crisis response system: these children need a place to go.

2. Children's Mental Health Services

 MHAN supports the approximately \$2 million for partial hospitalization services for children in HB 1012 budget

3. Cross-Disability Waiver & Mental Health

- MHAN supports the cross-disability waiver and urges the legislature to support it being inclusive of children with mental health conditions
- 4. Continued Support for Family Support Organizations
- 5. Establish Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC) in All Eight Regions
- 6. Continue Expanding Peer Support, including Family Peer Support, Living Wages and Benefits
- 7. Expand Capability and Reach of Mobile Crisis Teams, including with Children
- 8. Maintain the IMD Exclusion
- 9. Expand Supported Housing Opportunities for People with Mental Illness, Including those with Criminal Justice Records
- 10. Support the Building of a New State Hospital

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