

## CHAPTER 254A

## TREATMENT FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE

254A.17 Prevention and treatment initiatives.

**254A.17 PREVENTION AND TREATMENT INITIATIVES.**

*[For text of subs 1 to 2, see M.S.1994]*

**Subd. 3. Statewide detoxification transportation program.** The commissioner shall provide grants to counties, Indian reservations, other nonprofit agencies, or local detoxification programs for provision of transportation of intoxicated individuals to detoxification programs, to open shelters, and to secure shelters as defined in section 254A.085 and shelters serving intoxicated persons. In state fiscal years 1994, 1995, and 1996, funds shall be allocated to counties in proportion to each county's allocation in fiscal year 1993. In subsequent fiscal years, funds shall be allocated among counties annually in proportion to each county's average number of detoxification admissions for the prior two years, except that no county shall receive less than \$400. Unless a county has approved a grant of funds under this section, the commissioner shall make quarterly payments of detoxification funds to a county only after receiving an invoice describing the number of persons transported and the cost of transportation services for the previous quarter. A county must make a good faith effort to provide the transportation service through the most cost-effective community-based agencies or organizations eligible to provide the service. The program administrator and all staff of the program must report to the office of the ombudsman for mental health and mental retardation within 24 hours of its occurrence, any serious injury, as defined in section 245.91, subdivision 6, or the death of a person admitted to the shelter. The ombudsman shall acknowledge in writing the receipt of all reports made to the ombudsman's office under this section. Acknowledgment must be mailed to the facility and to the county social service agency within five working days of the day the report was made. In addition, the program administrator and staff of the program must comply with all of the requirements of section 626.557, the vulnerable adults act.

**History:** 1995 c 207 art 3 s 12