

On page 1, after line 2, of the Introduced bill, insert "

Section 1. That a NEW SECTION be added:

28-1-85. Peer support services program—Establishment.

The Department of Social Services shall establish a peer support services program to promote recovery for individuals with behavioral health disorders.

A provider of peer support services shall be licensed as a peer support specialist and shall have:

- (1) Life experience and success in the recovery process; and
- (2) The education and skills necessary to provide therapeutic support to persons with behavioral health disorders.

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Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added:

28-1-86. Peer support specialist—Scope of practice.

A licensed peer support specialist may provide non-clinical, person-centered support to persons with behavioral health disorders through:

- (1) Face-to-face interactions that support a person achieving recovery, including:
 - (a) Serving as a role model for recovery and wellness;
 - (b) Sharing positive strategies for developing coping skills;
 - (c) Identifying ways to achieve personal recovery goals;
 - (d) Promoting self-advocacy; and
 - (e) Assisting in the identification of personal strengths and appropriate services;
- (2) Peer-to-peer group facilitation using evidence-based practices; and
- (3) Mentoring activities that include providing:
 - (a) A linkage to community resources; and
 - (b) Support for day-to-day problem solving efforts.

The type and intensity of services provided must be determined on a person-by-person basis, taking into account the acuity of the situation for the person receiving services and the experience of the peer support specialist.

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On page 1, line 4, of the Introduced bill, after "added:" insert "28-1-87. "

On page 1, line 5, of the Introduced bill, after "shall " delete "establish a program to provide peer support services."

On page 1, line 7, of the Introduced bill, after "services." delete "The department shall "

On page 1, line 8, of the Introduced bill, after "to:

(1)" delete "Define the scope of practice applicable to a peer support specialist;"

On page 1, line 9, of the Introduced bill, after "specialist;" delete "(2)"

On page 1, line 11, of the Introduced bill, delete "(3)" and insert "(2)"

On page 1, line 13, of the Introduced bill, delete "(4)" and insert "(3)"

On page 1, line 14, of the Introduced bill, delete "(5)" and insert "(4)"

On page 1, line 15, of the Introduced bill, delete "(6)" and insert "(5)"

On page 1, line 17, of the Introduced bill, delete "(7)" and insert "(6)"