

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this amendatory Act of
5 the 102nd General Assembly is to decrease the administrative
6 burden on behavioral and mental health providers throughout
7 the State who spend time and resources to meet State and
8 federal requirements to enroll members in services for which
9 they are eligible, free up limited resources, and allow
10 providers to focus on their members rather than duplicative
11 and sometimes contradictory categories of information.

12 Section 5. The Mental Health and Developmental
13 Disabilities Administrative Act is amended by adding Section
14 63.5 as follows:

15 (20 ILCS 1705/63.5 new)

16 Sec. 63.5. Data collection standardized format.

17 (a) No later than January 1, 2023, the Department of Human
18 Services and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services
19 shall collaborate to develop a standardized format for:

20 (1) collecting data from all member assessment tools;

21 (2) collecting any other data that behavioral health
22 providers are required to submit to the State pertaining

1 to the administration of mental health and behavioral
2 health services, including, but not limited to, substance
3 use disorder at the Department of Human Services or the
4 Department of Healthcare and Family Services; and

5 (3) registration for Value Options through Beacon
6 Health Options's Provider Connect portal.

7 (b) Development of the standardized format under
8 subsection (a) shall be conducted in collaboration with:

9 (1) behavioral and mental health providers throughout
10 the State, including, but not limited to, community
11 providers of treatment for substance use disorder;

12 (2) stakeholders, including, but not limited to,
13 organizations that serve individuals with serious mental
14 illness, chronic disease, substance use disorder, or
15 depression; and

16 (3) entities with expertise in federal requirements
17 and form development.

18 (c) The Department of Human Services and the Department of
19 Healthcare and Family Services must comply with the new
20 standardized format within 6 months after its date of
21 completion.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
23 becoming law.