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**SELECTED STATUTES, ADMINISTRATIVE RULES,
BYLAWS AND POLICY**

PROMOTING FAMILY MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

IN CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH POLICYMAKING BODIES

PART ONE: TARGETED REPRESENTATION

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I. FAMILY MEMBERS OF CHILDREN WITH MENTAL, EMOTIONAL OR BEHAVIORAL DISORDERS

HAWAII State Council on Mental Health: “The number of *parents of children with serious emotional disturbances* shall be sufficient to provide adequate representation of such children in the deliberations of the council. The council shall be composed of residents of the State, including individuals representing: ... (4) The families of such adults or *families of children with serious emotional disturbances.*” Hawaii Revised Statutes 334.10.

ILLINOIS Interagency Board for Hearing Impaired/Behavior Disordered Children: “The State Superintendent of Education shall appoint 2 members, *one of whom shall be a parent of a hearing impaired/behavior disordered child*, and one of whom shall be an employee of the agency. The Director of Children and Family Services shall appoint 2 members, *one of whom shall be a parent of a hearing impaired/behavior disordered child*, and one of whom shall be an employee of the agency. The Director of Rehabilitation Services shall appoint 2 members, *one of whom shall be a parent of a hearing impaired/behavior disordered child* and one of whom shall be an employee of the agency. The Director of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities shall appoint 2 members, *one of whom shall be a parent of a hearing impaired/behavior disordered child* and one of whom shall be an employee of the agency.” Illinois Compiled Statutes 35/4.

II. FAMILY MEMBERS OF CHILDREN OR ADOLESCENTS

MAINE Advisory Committee on Children With Special Needs: “In making the appointments, the Governor shall give due consideration to *including parents or relatives of children in need of treatment...*” Maine Revised Statutes Annotated 6241(1)(a).

III. PARENTS OR FAMILY MEMBERS GENERALLY

KANSAS Mental Health Centers: “The membership of the governing board shall include...*family members of mentally ill persons.* Kansas Statutes Annotated 19-4002.

Kansas Mental Health Centers: “...(c) Membership of the governing board...shall: ... (2) include at least one member...who *belongs to a family who has or had [sic] a consumer of mental health services...*” Kansas Administrative Regulations 30-60-25.

Kansas Mental Health Centers: “...(g) In order to be eligible for grants...each mental health center shall have a governing body which includes...*family members of mentally ill persons*, except that, if the governing body of a mental health center is the board of county commissioners, such mental health center shall have a local advisory committee which includes...*family members of mentally ill persons.* Kansas Administrative Regulations 65-4434.

Kansas Secretary of Social and Rehabilitation Services: ...[T]he secretary shall have the following powers and duties: ...**(j)** to establish standards for the provision of community support services and for other community based mental health services provided by mental health centers in consultation with...*family members of consumers of mental health services...* Kansas Statutes Annotated 39-1603.

Kansas Governor's Mental Health Services Planning Council: "...fourteen members shall be members of the general public and a majority of such members shall be consumers of mental health services and *family members of mentally ill persons.*" Kansas Statutes Annotated 39-1605.

MAINE Mental Health Rights Advisory Board: "...[S]hall consist of 11 members as follows: **A.** *Six persons who are consumers of mental health services*, including clients, at least 3 of whom have received services from a state institution or a community mental health agency, *and their families;...*" Maine Revised Statutes Annotated 1209-A.

IV. ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION/CONSUMER ADVOCATE REPRESENTATION/PARTICIPATION

CONNECTICUT Commission on Children and Youth: There is established a Commission on Children and Youth consisting of sixteen voting members as follows: ...two members appointed by the minority leader of the senate, *including a person representing a state-wide advocacy agency for children* and a private citizen who has demonstrated an interest in children's issues; two members appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, *including a person representing a state-wide advocacy agency for children* and a private citizen who has demonstrated an interest in children's issues;..." Connecticut General Statutes 46a-126.

KANSAS Mental Health Centers: "The membership of the governing board shall include...*or representatives of mental health consumer groups...* Kansas Statutes Annotated 19-4002.

Kansas Mental Health Centers: "...**(c)** Membership of the governing board...shall: ...**(3)**...to the extent possible include members who represent...**(L)** *mental health consumer organizations or advocacy groups.*" Kansas Administrative Regulations 30-60-25.

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community based mental health programs through community programs in consultation with *representatives of..families and consumer advocates...*” Kansas Statutes Annotated 39-1603.

VI. FORMER YOUTH CONSUMER/FORMER CONSUMER REPRESENTATION

KANSAS Mental Health Centers: “The membership of the governing board shall include *consumers of mental health services...*” Kansas Statutes Annotated 19-4002.

Kansas Mental Health Centers: “...(c) Membership of the governing board...shall: ... (2) include at least one member...*who is or has been a consumer of mental health services...*” Kansas Administrative Regulations 30-60-25.

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VII. PEOPLE OF COLOR

MAINE Mental Health Advisory Council: “2. Membership....D. Both provider and consumer members shall be representative of the...*linguistic and racial...groups residing in the State...*” Maine Revised Statutes Annotated 1209.

VIII. GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION

MAINE Mental Health Advisory Council: “2. Membership....D. Both provider and consumer members shall be representative of the...*geographic areas of the State.*” Maine Revised Statutes Annotated 1209.

IX. ECONOMIC DIVERSITY

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