

Sec. 17a-230-6. Referral process

(a) Referrals, as defined in these regulations, shall be made on forms provided by the department, by private providers or department agencies for persons who are known to these providers or agencies and who are currently requesting or receiving services from these providers. Referrals shall be made with permission of the individual, parent, guardian or other legal representative or by the responsible state agency.

(b) Referral information provided to the regional eligibility team shall be sufficient to substantiate the referring party's position: (1) that the individual is mentally retarded as defined in these regulations and therefore potentially eligible for department funding; (2) that there is justification of the individual's need for residential services at a level of care provided for in Section 7 (b) of these regulations according to some or all of the following factors; (A) the need to deinstitutionalize that person, (B) the need to prevent that person's institutionalization, (C) the need for age-appropriate or other specific types of residential services, (D) the urgent need of that person for placement to prevent functional deterioration; and (E) that the person's financial statement confirms his receipt of aid to the disabled, aid to the blind or aid to the elderly or that his ability to pay for residential services as defined in Section 7 (c) of these regulations, does not exceed the potential cost of such level of care.

(c) In the event of an emergency placement, as defined in these regulations, of a client by a private provider into one of its private residential facilities, the same information called for in sub-section (b) of this section shall be provided to the regional eligibility team within seven days after the emergency placement in order to determine that client's eligibility for authorization. Sufficient documentation to verify the nature of the emergency and the need for residential placement shall be provided to the department within seven days of the placement.

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