

75-7043. Comprehensive plans for correctional services, approval prerequisite for grants; additional requirements; operating standards; annual review; suspension of grants, procedures. (a)

Except as provided in K.S.A. 75-7040, and amendments thereto, no county shall be qualified to receive grants under K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, unless and until the comprehensive plan for such county, or the group of counties with which such county is cooperating, is approved by the commissioner of juvenile justice.

(b) The commissioner of juvenile justice shall adopt rules and regulations establishing additional requirements for receipt of grants under K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, standards for the operation of the correctional services described in K.S.A. 75-7038, and amendments thereto, and standards for performance evaluation of the correctional services described in K.S.A. 75-7038, and amendments thereto. In order to remain eligible for grants the county or group of cooperating counties shall substantially comply with the operating standards established by the commissioner of juvenile justice.

(c) The commissioner of juvenile justice shall review annually the comprehensive plans submitted by a county or group of cooperating counties and the facilities and programs operated under such plans. The commissioner of juvenile justice is authorized to examine books, records, facilities and programs for purposes of recommending needed changes or improvements.

(d) In reviewing the comprehensive plan or any annual recommendations or revisions thereto, the commissioner of juvenile justice shall limit the scope of the review of the juvenile corrections advisory board's statement of priorities, needs, budget, policies and procedures, to the determination that such statement does not directly conflict with rules and regulations and operating standards adopted pursuant to subsection (b) and K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, and includes provisions to address racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system.

(e) When the commissioner of juvenile justice determines that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a county or group of cooperating counties is not in substantial compliance with the minimum operating standards adopted pursuant to this section, at least 30 days' notice shall be given the county or to each county in the group of cooperating counties and a hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act to ascertain whether there is substantial compliance or satisfactory progress being made toward compliance. If the commissioner of juvenile justice determines at such hearing that there is not substantial compliance or satisfactory progress being made toward compliance, the commissioner of juvenile justice may suspend all or a portion of any grant under K.S.A. 75-7038 through 75-7053, and amendments thereto, until the required standards of operation have been met.

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