

CIRCUIT COURT FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 155 of 1964

551.333 Family counseling service as arm of circuit court; merger with other court services; contracts; purchase of services; direct service delivery.

Sec. 3.

The circuit court family counseling service is an arm of the circuit court. It may be merged with other court services or maintained separately, as the court determines. The circuit court may enter into contracts with the state or private agencies for all or part of the family counseling services to be provided in the judicial circuit. The court shall give preference to the purchase of services, but may provide direct service delivery if any of the following applies:

- (a) Quality services are not available from a private source or government agency;
- (b) The provision of direct service delivery is cost beneficial as determined by an independent audit;
- (c) The court has a program of direct services on the effective date of this act.

History: 1964, Act 155, Eff. Aug. 28, 1964 ;-- Am. 1980, Act 16, Imd. Eff. Feb. 14, 1980