

EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER

E.R.O. No. 1978-1

400.241 Transfer of medical assistance administration functions from department of public health and state department of highways and transportation to department of social services.

WHEREAS, a review of the Medical Assistance program administration functions performed by the Department of Public Health, the Department of Highways and Transportation, and the Department of Social Services reveals significant fragmentation and overlap of responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, such fragmentation and overlap creates considerable difficulty in coordinating program activities and results in diminished program effectiveness and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Social Services has been designated the single state agency responsible for Michigan's Medical Assistance Program pursuant to the requirements of Section 1902(a)(5) of the Federal Social Security Act; and

WHEREAS, Act 99 of the Public Acts of 1977, provides appropriation to the Department of Public Health for implementation of the medical surveillance function, and Act 102 of the Public Acts of 1977, provides appropriation to the Department of State Highways and Transportation for surveillance and utilization review of the Medical Management Information System; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or assignment of functions among its units which he considers necessary for efficient and effective administration;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN, Governor of the State of Michigan, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the provisions of Article V, Section 2, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, do hereby order the following:

1. All powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Bureau of Health Care Administration of the Department of Public Health with respect to medical assistance surveillance functions are hereby transferred to the Department of Social Services, with the exception of the medical review and nursing evaluation component of the Bureau of Health Care Administration.

2. All of the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan State Department of Highways and Transportation with respect to the surveillance and utilization review subsection of the Medicaid Management Information System are transferred to the Department of Social Services.

3. All records, personnel, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available, for the conduct of the above-stated functions are transferred to the Department of Social Services.

In fulfillment of the requirements of Article V, Section 2, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the provisions of this Order shall become effective May 15, 1978.

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