

In the introductory language of subsection (a) of this section, the reference to "other recipients of services" is added to encompass those recipients who are not "physically ill, aged, mentally disordered, mentally retarded, {or} developmentally disabled". See, e.g., § 16-206, which provides for juvenile screening and treatment services.

In subsection (a) of this section, the term "mentally disordered" is substituted for the reference to the "mentally ill", for consistency. See § 10-101 of this article.

The only other changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Department" § 1-101  
 "Mental disorder" § 10-101 "Secretary" § 1-101  
 "Mentally retarded individual" § 7-101  
 "Recipient of services" § 16-101

16-202. DETERMINATION OF FINANCIAL ABILITY TO PAY.

(A) INVESTIGATION OF RECIPIENT OF SERVICES AND OTHERS.

TO DETERMINE THE ABILITY TO PAY FOR THE COST OF CARE OF A RECIPIENT OF SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INVESTIGATE THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF:

- (1) THE RECIPIENT OF SERVICES; AND
- (2) EACH CHARGEABLE PERSON TO THE EXTENT THAT THE RECIPIENT OF SERVICES IS UNABLE TO PAY THIS COST OF CARE.

(B) CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS.

IN DETERMINING THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF PERSONS UNDER THIS SECTION, PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS SHALL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION AS FINANCIAL RESOURCES.

(C) REPORTS.

(1) IN ITS INVESTIGATIONS, THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE THE RECIPIENT OF SERVICES, ANY CHARGEABLE PERSON, AND ANY OTHER PERSON TO SUBMIT REPORTS TO THE DEPARTMENT ON THE FORMS THAT THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDES.

(2) IF ANY PERSON REFUSES OR OTHERWISE FAILS TO FILE A REQUIRED REPORT, ON PETITION OF THE DEPARTMENT, THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY WHERE THE PERSON RESIDES OR DOES BUSINESS MAY COMPEL THE FILING OF THE REPORT.

(D) DELEGATION TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND GRANTEEES.