

(1) To provide community-oriented delinquency prevention, youth suicide prevention, drug and alcohol abuse prevention, and youth development;

(2) To ameliorate conditions that breed delinquency, youth suicide, drug and alcohol abuse, and family disruption; and

(3) To function as an advocate of youth needs.

(b) (1) The Department shall adopt rules and regulations that set eligibility guidelines for State funding of youth services bureaus under this section.

(2) The rules and regulations shall require that each State-aided youth services bureau:

(i) Provide, free of charge or at a rate established by each youth services bureau's board of directors, in consultation with the Department, that is based upon the client's family income, at convenient hours:

1. Individual, family, [and] OR group counseling;

2. Referral and information services;

3. Crisis intervention, including intervention relating to youth suicide prevention;

~~4. AFTERCARE SERVICES INCLUDING SERVICES TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM;~~

~~[4.]~~ 5. Alcohol and drug abuse assessment and referral services by staff who have received substance abuse assessment and referral training from the Office of Education and Training for Addictions Services (OETAS) in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or from any other entity that the Secretary determines to be qualified to provide substance abuse assessment and referral training;

5. Informal counseling; and

6. In accordance with particular community needs AND SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:

A. Tutoring;

B. Alternative leisure activities;

C. Employment assistance;

D. Community education, including training and information relating to youth suicide prevention; ~~and~~

E. AFTERCARE SERVICES; AND

F. Other specialized services; and