

Dakota County Mandate Recommendation

Human Services			
Mandate	Statute	Rule	Comment
Court Ordered Chemical Use Assessments for Juveniles	260B.157		Under current law, all juveniles found delinquent for underage consumption or violation of drug laws must receive a chemical use assessment. The law should be amended to make the assessment optional or discretionary
Administrative appeals			Prohibit administrative appeals in cases in which the appeal is the direct result of a reduction in funding for a program. Require that clients receive at least a 30-day notice of the reduction or termination of services.
Eliminate County Welfare Agency or Court Services obligation to provide custody investigations.	518.167		County Social Services does not have a relationship with divorcing couples in Civil Court proceedings. This is a private matter, as is the determination of custodial status of the divorcing couple's children.