

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the matter of COUNTY COSTS) RESOLUTION
FOR EMERGENCY MENTAL HOLDS) 90-24

WHEREAS, ORS Chapter 426 requires counties to pay the cost of emergency psychiatric care, custody and treatment of mentally ill persons detained or admitted to approved hospitals prior to formal committment hearings; and

WHEREAS, Multnomah County has unsuccessfully tried to negotiate a reasonable and actual expenditure agreement with local facilities for several years; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Multnomah County to have some certainty regarding these budgetary allotments; and

WHEREAS, the State of Oregon's Adult and Family Services (AFS) pays for similar services through the use of a Diagnostic Related Grouping based rate (DRG) and physician reimbursement rates; and

WHEREAS the adoption of such a system would best serve the twin aims of assuring treatment and care for the mentally distressed and assuring the local care facilities and physicians of some reimbursement for such treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY
RESOLVE:

The Director of the Department of Human Services or a delegatee may develop a Diagnostic Related Grouping system of per diem and physician rates for the provision of these services subject to final Board approval. This system shall be modeled upon and derived from the State AFS rates for similar services. Adjustments shall be made to accommodate local circumstances within the discretion of the Director.

ADOPTED this 1st day of MARCH, 1990.

(SEAL)

By

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