**Section 299.1070 Actions for Collection of Services Charges**

a) When it is necessary for the Department to disclose information in order to collect services charges, that disclosure shall be limited to information needed to pursue collection, and the information disclosed shall not be used for any other purpose, nor shall it be redisclosed except in connection with collection activities.

b) Upon request of the Department, the Office of Attorney General, or the State's Attorney of the county in which a service recipient who is liable under the Act for payment of services charges resides, shall institute appropriate legal action against any such recipient, or, within the time provided by law, shall file a claim against the estate of a deceased recipient for unpaid services charges.

c) The court shall order the payment of sums due for services charges for such period or periods as the circumstances require. The order may be:

1) entered against any person; and

2) based upon the proportionate ability of each person to contribute to the payment of sums representing services charges, including the actual charges for services in facilities outside the Department when the Department has paid those charges.

d) Orders for the payment of money may be enforced by garnishment, attachment, contempt and/or any other mechanism authorized by law. In addition, other judgments for the payment of money, pre- and post-judgment interest, and costs may be adjudged against the person.

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