

EXHIBIT 2  
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SB 499

**The Central Service Area Authority**  
*representing public mental health system stakeholders in  
Glacier, Toole, Liberty, Hill, Blaine, Pondera, Choteau, Teton, Cascade,  
Lewis and Clark, Jefferson, Broadwater, Meagher, Gallatin, and Park counties,  
and the Rocky Boy, Fort Belknap, and Blackfeet Reservations of Montana*

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APRIL 8, 2005

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SB 499.04  
**MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE PLANNING PROCESS**

(proposed amendments are **in bold and underlined**)

**"53-21-139. Mental Health crisis response ~~Crisis intervention~~ programs.** (1) The department shall, subject to available appropriations, establish crisis intervention programs. The programs must be designed to provide 24-hour emergency admission and care of persons suffering from a mental disorder and requiring commitment in a temporary, safe environment in the community as an alternative to placement in jail.

(2) **Every county, with the support of Department, shall conduct a public planning process for mental health crisis response that involves key community stakeholders, particularly consumers of mental health services and their families.** The department shall provide information and technical assistance regarding needed services and assist counties in developing county plans for **mental health crisis response** ~~crisis intervention services and for~~

**the provision of alternatives to jail placement.**

- ~~(3) The department may provide crisis intervention programs as:~~
  - ~~(a) a rehabilitative service under 53-6-101(3)(j); and~~
  - ~~(b) a targeted case management service authorized in 53-6-101(3)(n).~~