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## **Protect Community Based Behavioral Health Services**

### **Mitigate Impending Crisis of Care in Article 31 and Part 822 Clinics**

- Enact Governor's Medicaid Managed Care payment add-on
- Expand indigent care pool to augment payments
- OMH should conduct a county by county projection of the impact of clinic restructuring and implement a transition plan prior to implementation of the phased rollout
- OASAS should expand its stakeholder planning efforts and more widely publish its plans for clinic reform well in advance of implementation

### **Reauthorize State Agency Exemption from Social Worker and Other Mental Health Professionals License Requirements**

- Extend the exemption from professional license law to 4 years
- Extend the exemption to other relevant State Agencies

### **Define and Limit the Powers of the Office of Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG)**

- Require OMIG to respect the established policies and procedures of the relevant licensing and certifying agencies
- Mandate strict due process procedures for providers subject to OMIG audits

### **Promote the Infrastructure for Community-Based Behavioral Health Services**

- Restore cuts to Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Support Services Program (\$2.7 million)
- Stop erosion of supported housing services by ensuring rent and capital pass through for inflationary cost increases
- Invest in mandated Information Technology (IT) upgrades (Inflationary pass through and infrastructure investment (\$20 million))

### **Support Revenue Enhancement Proposals**

- Cigarette excise tax increase (+\$218 million)
- New excise tax on sugary beverages (+\$465 million)
- Offset Medicaid cuts with funding from enhanced FMAP extension (+\$1 billion)
- Increase the excise tax on alcoholic beverages and reinvest in OASAS prevention programs

### **Support Revenue Enhancement Proposal with exception**

- Exempt not-for-profit employers from MTA mobility tax