



2025 ASSEMBLY BILL 301

June 6, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives TITTL, BEHNKE, BRILL, CLANCY, CRUZ, DITTRICH, DONOVAN, HONG, KREIBICH, SNYDER and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senator CABRAL-GUEVARA. Referred to Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care.

- 1 **AN ACT** *to create* 20.435 (5) (bk) and 46.67 of the statutes; **relating to:** grants
2 to mental health clubhouses and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Health Services to award grants to clubhouses. A “clubhouse,” as defined in the bill, is a nonresidential rehabilitation program that provides support and services to individuals who have or are awaiting diagnosis for a mental illness but does not directly provide treatment or medical care for mental illnesses. To receive a grant, a clubhouse must include members who have been diagnosed with or are awaiting diagnosis for a mental illness and are under treatment for the condition, raise an amount of money itself to receive a matching grant, provide activities and services to members on a voluntary basis, have its own distinct physical space, and allow members to have the opportunity to participate in the administration and other operational functions of the clubhouse. The grant program sunsets at the end of the 2029-30 fiscal year.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place,
insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

	2025-26	2026-27
20.435 Health services, department of		

(5) CARE AND TREATMENT SERVICES

(bk) Mental health clubhouse grants	GPR	A	300,000	300,000
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SECTION 2. 20.435 (5) (bk) of the statutes is created to read:

20.435 (5) (bk) *Mental health clubhouse grants.* The amounts in the schedule
for grants to mental health clubhouses under s. 46.67. No moneys may be
encumbered under this paragraph after June 30, 2030.

SECTION 3. 46.67 of the statutes is created to read:

46.67 **Mental health clubhouse grants.** (1) In this subsection,
“clubhouse” means a nonresidential rehabilitation program that provides support
and services to individuals who have or are awaiting diagnosis for a mental illness
but does not directly provide treatment or medical care for mental illnesses.

(2) The department shall award grants to clubhouses in a total amount of no
more than \$300,000 per fiscal year and no more than \$50,000 per clubhouse per
fiscal year. The department may not award a grant to a clubhouse unless the
clubhouse meets all of the following criteria:

(a) Every member who receives services at the clubhouse has been diagnosed
with or is awaiting diagnosis for a mental illness and is under treatment for that
condition.

(b) The clubhouse raises an amount of money to match the grant amount

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1 requested. The department may not award a grant to a clubhouse that exceeds the
2 money raised by the clubhouse.

3 (c) Membership in clubhouse activities and services is voluntary.

4 (d) The clubhouse has its own distinct physical space separate from a mental
5 health center or institution.

6 (e) Members of the clubhouse have the opportunity to participate in the
7 administration and other operational functions of the clubhouse.

8 **(3)** No grant may be awarded under this section after June 30, 2030.

9 **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

10 (1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after
11 publication of the 2025 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

12 **(END)**