CHAPTER 404
PRIVATE MENTAL HOSPITALS

§1781. License; visitation; penalty

The Department of Health and Human Services may license any suitable person to establish and keep a private hospital or private house for the reception and treatment of patients who are mentally deranged. The hospital or private house shall be subject to visitation by the department or any member thereof. [PL 1983, c. 459, §2 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §6 (REV).]

Whoever establishes or keeps the private hospital or private house without a license, or after revocation or during suspension of the license, shall be fined not more than $500. [PL 1983, c. 459, §2 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

§1782. Visitation

Each of the licensed hospitals or houses shall be visited at least once a year, and oftener if the Commissioner of Health and Human Services so directs, by a member of the Department of Health and Human Services, who shall carefully inspect every part of the hospital or house visited with reference to its cleanliness and sanitary conditions and who shall make a report to the department with such recommendations to improve conditions as the department deems necessary. [PL 1983, c. 459, §2 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §§6, 7 (REV).]

SECTION HISTORY

§1783. Revocation or suspension of license after hearing

When the Department of Health and Human Services believes a license should be suspended or revoked, it shall file a statement or complaint with the District Court Judge, designated in the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375. A person aggrieved by the refusal of the department to issue a license may file a statement or complaint with the District Court Judge. [PL 1983, c. 459, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §78 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 547, Pt. B, §80 (AFF); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §6 (REV).]

SECTION HISTORY

The State of Maine claims a copyright in its codified statutes. If you intend to republish this material, we require that you include the following disclaimer in your publication:

All copyrights and other rights to statutory text are reserved by the State of Maine. The text included in this publication reflects changes made through the First Regular Session of the 129th Maine Legislature and is current through October 1, 2019. The text is subject to change without notice. It is a version that has not been officially certified by the Secretary of State. Refer to the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated and supplements for certified text.

The Office of the Revisor of Statutes also requests that you send us one copy of any statutory publication you may produce. Our goal is not to restrict publishing activity, but to keep track of who is publishing what, to identify any needless duplication and to preserve the State's copyright rights.

PLEASE NOTE: The Revisor's Office cannot perform research for or provide legal advice or interpretation of Maine law to the public. If you need legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.