§ 27-2-1. State hospitals and other facilities; transfer of control and property from Department of Mental Health to Department of Health and Human Resources; civil service coverage

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Currentness

The state hospitals heretofore established at Weston, Huntington and Lakin, are continued and known respectively as the William R. Sharpe, Jr. Hospital, Mildred-Mitchell Bateman Hospital and Lakin Hospital. These state hospitals and centers are managed, directed and controlled by the Department of Health and Human Resources. Any person employed by the Department of Mental Health who on the effective date of this article is a classified civil service employee shall, within the limits contained in section two, article six of chapter twenty-nine of this code, remain in the civil service system as a covered employee. The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Resources is authorized to bring the state hospitals into structural compliance with appropriate fire and health standards. All references in this code or elsewhere in law to the “West Virginia Training School” shall be taken and construed to mean and refer to the “Colin Anderson Center.”

The control of the property, records, and financial and other affairs of state mental hospitals and other state mental health facilities is transferred from the Department of Mental Health to the Department of Health and Human Resources. The secretary shall, in respect to the control and management of the state hospitals and other state mental health facilities, perform the same duties and functions as were heretofore exercised or performed by the Director of Health. The title to all property of the state hospitals and other state facilities is transferred to and vested in the Department of Health and Human Resources.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this code to the contrary, whenever in this code there is a reference to the Department of Mental Health, it shall be construed to mean and is a reference to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Resources.

Credits

Notes of Decisions (7)
W. Va. Code, § 27-2-1, WV ST § 27-2-1
Current with legislation of the 2022 First Special Session, Regular Session, Second Special Session, Third Special Session, and Fourth Special Session.