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(a) From the time of admission any patient admitted under the provisions of this subtitle may communicate by all reasonable means including telephone with persons at reasonable hours of the day and night, and may consult privately with a reasonable number of persons including, but not limited to, an attorney, personal physician, clergyman and family members.

(b) Any patient admitted under the provisions of Section 11 shall be informed in writing and verbally, in terms understood by the patient prior to his admission of his rights to leave the facility as provided in Section 11 subject to other provisions of this subtitle, and of his right to communicate as specified in subsection (a).

(c) Any patient admitted under the provisions of Section 12 shall be informed in writing and verbally in terms understood by the patient of his right to communicate as specified in subsection (a), of his right to discharge and change of venue under Section 12 (c), and of his right to file a habeas corpus petition.

(d) The head of the facility shall assist any patient in making and presenting written requests for discharge and change of venue.

(e) The head of a facility shall arrange to have every patient admitted pursuant to Section 11 or 12 examined by an examiner forthwith, but in no event more than forty-eight (48) hours following the date of admission. At the end of such period any patient admitted pursuant to Section 12 shall be discharged if an examination has not been held or if upon examination the examiner fails to notify the head of the facility in writing that in his opinion the patient is in clear and imminent danger of causing grave and immediate danger to himself and others.

(f) Except when ordered by the court, no person apprehended, detained or admitted as mentally disordered, or alcoholic under any provision of the subtitle shall be confined in jail or in any penal or correctional institution.

(g) The Department shall prepare a standard form, which shall include all of the provisions specified in this section, and shall provide an ample supply of such forms to each facility. Such form shall be utilized by the facilities and one copy of such form, containing a certification of compliance with this section by the person in charge of admissions at the facility, shall be filed with each patient's records. Such notification shall also be given to the patient's next of kin, any other person that is deemed to have a significant interest in the patient's status, any person named by the patient, and to the Mental Health Information Service.

(h) Notification in accordance with this section shall be given again to each patient at the time of the execution of the new application by voluntarily admitted patients under Section 11 (d).

14.

(a) Any interested person may file in the equity court of the county of the proposed patient's settlement or presence a petition for commitment of a proposed patient, setting forth the names, and addresses of petitioner, the proposed patient, and if known his