

at the facility. No person admitted pursuant to this subsection may be retained for more than three days, after the person who requested his admission requests his release, unless his admission status is changed pursuant to § 12 of this subtitle. No person admitted pursuant to this subsection may be retained by a facility for any period in excess of one year unless his admission status has been changed after initial admission or unless at the expiration of each one-year period of inpatient residence a new request is executed by a parent or the legal guardian of the patient. At those facilities established under Article 59, § 31(a), the admission of any person under 18 years of age shall be treated as an involuntary admission and shall be subject to the provisions of § 12 of this article, except that a minor who has attained the age of 16 years may consent to admission for the purpose of diagnosis and consultation pursuant to Article 43, § 135A. Additionally, the admission of a minor by a parent to a child or adolescent unit for the purpose of diagnosis and consultation which is assented to by two physicians, or one physician and one [certified] LICENSED psychologist, may be treated as a voluntary admission for a period not to exceed 20 days.

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(c) Each such application for admission to a facility shall:

- (1) Be in writing and dated;
- (2) Be in such form as may be required by the Department; or in respect to Veterans' Administration hospitals, meets the requirements of that administration;
- (3) Contain a description of the relationship of the applicant to the prospective patient;
- (4) Be signed by the applicant[, and];
- (5) Be accompanied by the certificates of two physicians, or the certificates of one physician and one [certified] LICENSED psychologist that the prospective patient has a mental disorder, and for his protection or others, needs inpatient care or treatment[.]; AND
- (6) [It may contain] CONTAIN such additional information as the Department may require.

(d) (1) Each physician's or [certified] LICENSED psychologist's certificate shall be in substantially the following form:

PHYSICIANS OR PSYCHOLOGISTS CERTIFICATE TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION FOR INVOLUNTARY ADMISSION

Patient's Name .....