

(f) Whenever an emergency admittee is released from an emergency facility and desires transportation he must be transported to the place at which he was taken into custody. Arrangements for this prompt transportation shall be made by the emergency facility or if transportation by the emergency facility is not available then by a peace officer.

(g) Any petition for emergency admission under this section shall be valid for the purpose of taking custody of the emergency admittee under the procedures of this section for a period of 10 days after the petition is endorsed by a judge.

(h) At least once every 12 months the Department shall publish and make available a list of emergency facilities and their addresses. These lists shall be distributed to every health department, District Court, circuit court, District Court judge, circuit court judge, sheriff's office, and police station in the State.

(i) The cost of emergency vehicle transportation of a patient to an emergency facility, pursuant to § 22 or to an appropriate facility pursuant to § 12 of this article, shall be billed to the medical insurance carrier of the patient. If the patient is not covered by insurance the cost of transportation shall be paid by the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department shall reimburse the appropriate party promptly for the total cost.]

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(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(1) "COURT" MEANS ANY DISTRICT COURT OR CIRCUIT COURT OF THIS STATE.

(2) "EMERGENCY EVALUEE" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS PROPOSED FOR EVALUATION, TRANSPORTED, EXAMINED, DETAINED, RELEASED, OR PLACED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(3) (I) "EMERGENCY FACILITY" MEANS ANY FACILITY DESIGNATED IN WRITING BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE AS AN EMERGENCY FACILITY.

(II) "EMERGENCY FACILITY" INCLUDES ALL GENERAL HOSPITALS WITH LICENSED EMERGENCY ROOMS UNLESS EXEMPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH THE LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER.

(4) (I) "MENTAL DISORDER" MEANS THE BEHAVIORAL AND OTHER SYMPTOMS WHICH TO A LAY PETITIONER SUBMITTING THE EMERGENCY PETITION INDICATE A CLEAR DISTURBANCE IN THE MENTAL FUNCTIONING OF ANOTHER PERSON, AND TO A PHYSICIAN OR CERTIFIED PSYCHOLOGIST CONDUCTING AN EXAMINATION INDICATE ONE OR MORE OF THE MENTAL DISORDERS DESCRIBED IN THE "DIAGNOSTIC AND STATISTICAL MANUAL - MENTAL DISORDERS"