

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as the first, fourth, fifth, and sixth sentences of Article 2C, § 303(b)(3).

Throughout this section, references to a detoxification "center" are substituted for "unit", to standardize the references in this subtitle.

Also throughout this section, references to the "administrative head" of a center are substituted for the references to a "program director", to avoid confusion with references to the Director of the Administration and to standardize references to this type of position.

Subsection (a)(1) of this section is revised to clarify that the administrative head of a center makes this determination.

8-506. SAME -- TREATMENT.

(A) DIAGNOSIS.

(1) DURING THE FIRST STAY OF AN INDIVIDUAL IN A DETOXIFICATION CENTER, THE INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE:

(I) ENCOURAGED TO CONSENT TO AN INTENSIVE DIAGNOSIS FOR POSSIBLE ALCOHOLISM; AND

(II) INFORMED OF THE DIAGNOSIS.

(2) IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS NOT DIAGNOSED AS A CHRONIC ALCOHOLIC, THE CENTER SHALL TRY:

(I) TO EDUCATE THE INDIVIDUAL ABOUT THE SERIOUSNESS OF ALCOHOLISM AND THE DANGERS OF EXCESSIVE DRINKING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES;

(II) TO UNCOVER ANY PERSONAL PROBLEMS THAT MAY HAVE RESULTED IN EXCESSIVE DRINKING; AND

(III) TO REFER THE INDIVIDUAL TO AN APPROPRIATE AGENCY FOR HELP.

(3) IF AN INDIVIDUAL IS DIAGNOSED AS A CHRONIC ALCOHOLIC, THE INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE ENCOURAGED TO CONSENT TO TREATMENT AT AN INPATIENT FACILITY.

(B) NOTICE OF ADMISSION.

WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL IS ADMITTED TO A DETOXIFICATION CENTER, THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE CENTER SHALL TRY TO NOTIFY THE FAMILY OF THE INDIVIDUAL, BUT NEED NOT DO SO IF THE INDIVIDUAL ASKS OTHERWISE.