MENTAL HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT) Act 258 of 1974

330.1265 Request for services for minor by parents or person in loco parentis; diagnostic evaluation; detoxification services; performance of services without minor's consent; use of psychotropic drugs.

- Sec. 265. (1) A program that is requested by a minor's parent or a person in loco parentis to a minor to perform substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services for the minor may perform those services for the minor without the minor's consent if the minor is less than 14 years of age, as verified by the minor's parents or person acting in loco parentis, and if the request is made in writing.
- (2) A minor's parent or a person in loco parentis to a minor may request that substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services be provided to the minor by a program.
- (3) If substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services are requested under subsection (2) and the minor does not consent to the substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services, the program shall cause to have conducted a diagnostic evaluation to determine whether the minor is physiologically dependent. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), a diagnostic evaluation shall be conducted within 48 hours of the request for substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services.
- (4) If it is determined during a diagnostic evaluation conducted under subsection (3) that the minor is in need of detoxification, the program may arrange for detoxification services and those services may be performed, with the consent of the minor's parent or person in loco parentis to the minor and without the minor's consent, for a period that shall not exceed 5 days. After the minor's detoxification, the program shall cause to have the minor's diagnostic evaluation completed within 48 hours.
- (5) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (6), after a diagnostic evaluation has been completed under this section, substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services shall not be performed unless 1 of the following occurs:
 - (a) The minor consents to substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services.
- (b) It is determined under section 266 that substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services are necessary for the minor.
- (6) If it is determined as a result of a diagnostic evaluation conducted under this section that the minor is physiologically dependent, substance use disorder treatment and rehabilitation services may be performed without the minor's consent pending a hearing under section 266 and for a period that shall not exceed 7 business days.
- (7) Psychotropic drugs shall not be used under this section by a program on a minor unless the minor consents or the court orders the use of the drugs at a hearing under section 266.

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