

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16b-3-8

§16B-3-8. Inspector General to establish standards; director enforces.

The Inspector General shall have the power to promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of §29-1-1 *et seq.* of this code and the director shall have the power to enforce such rules and regulations, as the Inspector General may establish, not in conflict with any provision of this article, as it finds necessary, or in the public interest, in order to protect patients in institutions required to be licensed under this article from detrimental practices and conditions, or to ensure adequate provision for their accommodations and care. No rule or regulation or standard of the Inspector General shall be adopted or enforced which would have the effect of denying a license to a hospital or other institution required to be licensed hereunder, solely by reason of the school or system of practice employed or permitted to be employed by physicians therein: *Provided*, That such school or system of practice is recognized by the laws of this state.

The Inspector General designates the director of the Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification to enforce the provisions of this article, except where otherwise stated.