

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §27-2-3

## **§27-2-3. Rules as to patients.**

The director of health shall implement rules and regulations as promulgated by the board of health in regard to the admission of patients to mental health facilities, the care, maintenance and treatment of inpatients, residents and outpatients of such facilities and the release, trial visit and discharge of patients therefrom.

No patient under eighteen years of age in any state hospital shall be housed in any area also occupied by any patient over eighteen years of age. Any patient adjudged by the chief medical officer to have a likelihood of seriously harming others shall be confined in a secure area of a health facility.