

## WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §44A-3-18

### **§44A-3-18. Guardian's duty to inform certain relatives about protected person's health and residence.**

- (a) The provisions of this section apply to relatives who have been granted access to a protected person under section seventeen of this article.
- (b) Except as provided by subsection (d) of this section, the guardian of a protected person shall as soon as practicable inform such relatives if:
- (1) The protected person dies;
  - (2) The protected person is admitted to a medical facility for a period of three days or more;
  - (3) The protected person's residence has changed; or
  - (4) The protected person is staying at a location other than his or her usual place of residence for a period that exceeds two calendar weeks.
- (c) In the case of the death of the protected person, the guardian shall inform the relative of any funeral arrangements and the location of the protected person's final resting place.
- (d) A relative entitled to receive information regarding a protected person under this section may waive the notice required thereof by this section by providing a written waiver to the guardian. A guardian shall file any such written waiver with the court.