

## **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §9-5-16a**

### **§9-5-16a. Medicaid-certified nursing homes; screening of applicants and residents for mental illness; reimbursement of hospitals.**

(a) The department of human services shall cause individuals applying for admission to or residing in a Medicaid-certified nursing home to be screened as required by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987.

(b) Effective April 1, 1989, hospitals shall receive administrative day payment at a rate set by the Medicaid agency to reimburse the hospitals for days required for the screening of Medicaid eligible patients required by subsection (a) of this section.

(c) The Secretary of the Department of Human Services is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to fully implement this section.