

**9530.7021 PAYMENT AGREEMENTS.**

When the local agency, the client, and the vendor agree that the vendor will accept payment from a third-party payment source for an eligible client's treatment, the local agency, the client, and the vendor shall enter into a third-party payment agreement. The agreement must stipulate that the vendor will accept, as payment in full for services provided to the client, the amount the third-party payor is obligated to pay for services provided to the client. The agreement must be executed in a form prescribed by the commissioner and is not effective unless an authorized representative of each of the three parties has signed it. The local agency shall maintain a record of third-party payment agreements into which the local agency has entered.

The vendor shall notify the local agency as soon as possible and not less than one business day before discharging a client whose treatment is covered by a payment agreement under this part if the discharge is caused by disruption of the third-party payment.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 241.021; 245A.03; 245A.09; 245B.03; 254A.03; 254B.03; 254B.04*

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