

CHAPTER 251

CARE OF TUBERCULOUS PERSONS

251.011 Relocation of facilities.

251.012 Provision of nursing home services.

251.011 RELOCATION OF FACILITIES.*[For text of subds 1 and 3, see M.S.1988]*

Subd. 4. **Oak Terrace Nursing Home.** Any portion or unit of Glen Lake Sanitarium not used for the treatment of tuberculosis patients may be used by the commissioner of human services for the care of geriatric patients, under the name of Oak Terrace Nursing Home.

The commissioner of administration may lease any portion or unit of Oak Terrace Nursing Home for the purpose of providing food and shelter for the homeless.

The facility at Oak Terrace must be closed as soon as a reasonable plan for relocation of its residents can be safely implemented and employee mitigation measures completed, but no later than July 1, 1992. Relocation of persons must be carefully planned and take into account any remaining ties the person has to family or community, available capacity in private and state-operated nursing homes, and personal choices and needs of the resident. Relocation must be implemented according to Minnesota Rules, parts 4655.6810 to 4655.6830 and 9546.0010 to 9546.0060.

Subd. 4a. **Nursing home beds at regional treatment centers.** The commissioner shall operate the following number of nursing home beds at regional treatment centers in addition to current capacity: at Brainerd, 105 beds; at Cambridge, 70 beds; and at Fergus Falls, 85 beds. The commissioner may operate nursing home beds at other regional treatment centers as necessary to provide an appropriate level of care for persons served at those centers.

*[For text of subds 6 to 8, see M.S.1988]***History:** 1989 c 282 art 6 s 11,12**251.012 PROVISION OF NURSING HOME SERVICES.**

Subdivision 1. **Nursing home care.** (a) The commissioner shall provide nursing home care to a person requiring and eligible for that level of care when the person:

- (1) is medically fragile or clinically challenging;
- (2) exhibits severe or challenging behaviors; or
- (3) requires treatment for an underlying mental illness.

(b) A person may be accepted for admission only after nursing home preadmission screening by the county.

Subd. 2. **Technical assistance.** Within the limits of appropriations, the commissioner may expand the provision of technical assistance to community providers in handling the behavior problems of their residents, and with community placements for younger persons who have heavy nursing needs and behavior problems. Technical assistance may include site visits, consultation with providers, or provider training.

Subd. 3. **Auxiliary services.** The nursing homes may enter into agreements according to section 246.57 to provide other services needed in the region that build on the services provided by the regional nursing homes and that are offered in conjunction with a community or community group.

Subd. 4. **Respite care.** Respite care may be offered when space is available if payment for the cost of care is guaranteed by the person, the person's family or legal representative, or a source other than a direct state appropriation to the nursing home, and if the individual meets the facility's admission criteria.

History: 1989 c 282 art 6 s 13