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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.

Under authority vested in the Board of Health and Welfare by Chapters 1 and 3, Title 66, Idaho Code, and in accordance with the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, Chapter 52, Title 67, Idaho Code, the Board of Health and Welfare adopts the following rules for establishing and charging fees for services provided at State Hospital South. (5-1-82)

001. TITLE AND SCOPE.

These rules set forth the fees for services provided at State Hospital South and are to cited as Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules, IDAPA 16.04.08, "Rules Governing Fees for State Hospital South Services". (12-31-91)

002. POLICY.

Fees for services will be established and charged to all patients or responsible relatives. Further, State Hospital South shall not refuse service to any person because of race, color, religion, handicap, or ability or inability to pay. (5-20-87)

003. DEFINITIONS.

01. Charge. The dollar amount determined by costs per patient day for services received from State Hospital South and specialized services. (3-11-92)

02. Cost Per Patient Day. An accounting process of allocating all cost centers for the hospital to a twenty-four (24) hour period of time the patient occupies the hospital. (5-20-87)

03. Responsible Relatives. Relatives as defined in Section 66-354, Idaho Code. (5-20-87)

04. Services. Includes clinical evaluation, nursing care, medication, X-ray and laboratory procedures, food, laundry, housekeeping, maintenance support services, administrative overhead and depreciation. (5-20-87)

05. Third Party Payor. A payor other than a patient or responsible relative who is legally liable for all or part of patient charge. (5-20-87)

004. FEES.

01. Nursing Facility and Treatment Unit Costs. Costs per patient day for the Nursing Facility and individual Treatment Units will be determined by annual cost allocations and will be effective the first (1st) day of October of each calendar year. (3-11-92)

02. Specialized Services Costs. Specialized services provided by the Hospital Mini Clinic will be billed in addition to the cost per patient day and receipts will be deducted from cost allocations. Specialized services provided outside the hospital will be billed in addition to the cost per patient day charges. (3-11-92)

005. CHARGES.

Charges will be established and billed based on fees calculated for services provided. The ability of a patient or responsible relative to pay charges will be determined from the following: (3-11-92)

01. Insurance. Patients with third-party insurance capability will be charged one hundred percent (100%) of cost. No insurance claims will be filed without an assignment of insurance benefits to the hospital. All benefits from insurances must be made available in total to be applied toward payment of fees set forth herein. (3-11-92)

02. Other Benefits. All patient benefits from Social Security retirement, Veterans Administration, trust accounts and other periodic benefits and earnings shall be made available in total to State Hospital South to be

applied toward payment of fees set forth herein unless otherwise dictated by benefit source. (3-11-92)

006. WAIVER.

Upon a showing of good cause, the Administrator or Assistant Administrative Director of State Hospital South may waive a patient's fee for any given month or portion thereof. (5-20-87)

007. PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE.

01. Set Aside Amount - Nursing Facility. Excluded and set aside from all income or benefits for each patient on the Nursing Facility will be the amount of thirty dollars (\$30) per month as a personal needs allowance. (3-11-92)

02. Set Aside Amount - Treatment Units. Excluded and set aside from all income or benefits for patients on the Treatment Units will be the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) per month as a personal needs allowance. (3-11-92)

03. Use of Monies. These monies will not be applied toward payment of charges and will be accumulated and held for the patient to spend for his personal needs. (3-11-92)

008. WAIVER.

Upon showing of good cause, the Administrative Director or the Assistant Administrative Director of State Hospital South may increase or decrease the amount set aside for patient personal needs. (5-20-87)

009. -- 995. (RESERVED).

996. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.

Contested case appeals shall be governed by Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules, IDAPA 16.05.03, Sections 000, et seq., "Rules Governing Contested Cases and Declaratory Rulings". (12-31-91)

997. CONFIDENTIALITY.

Before any information about a patient, client, registrant, applicant, or recipient contained in Department records may be released to the person who is the subject of the record, to another Department unit, to another governmental agency, or to a private individual or organization, the unit of the Department with custody of the record must comply with Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules, IDAPA 16.05.01, "Rules Governing Protection and Disclosure of Department Records". (12-31-91)

998. INCLUSIVE GENDER.

For the purpose of these rules, words used in the masculine gender include the feminine or vice versa, where appropriate. (5-1-82)

999. SEVERABILITY.

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules, IDAPA 16.04.08, are severable. If any rule, or part thereof, or the application of such rule to any person, or circumstance is declared invalid, that invalidity does not affect the validity of any remaining portion of this chapter. (5-1-82)