

Subject Inmate mental health data

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Overview

This bill permits a sheriff or local corrections official to share certain mental health data on inmates. The bill allows a jail to refer an inmate to county human services personnel in order to arrange services after the inmate is released. The bill also allows a jail to share private data on an inmate in order to:

- assist the inmate in applying for medical assistance of MinnesotaCare;
- refer the inmate for case management by a county;
- assist the inmate in obtaining state photo identification;
- secure an appointment with a mental health provider;
- obtain necessary medications; or
- provide behavioral health service coordination.