

Subject DHS Policy Bill – Direct Care and Treatment

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## Overview

This is the Department of Human Services policy bill for direct care and treatment. It modifies terminology throughout the statutes governing blood-borne pathogen protocols in secure treatment facilities, to apply the requirements to all state-operated treatment programs. The bill also makes a clarifying change to the membership of the Task Force on Priority Admissions to State-Operated Treatment Programs.

## Summary

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| 1 | <b>Patient.</b><br>Amends § 246.71, subd. 3. Modifies definition of “patient” in statutes governing blood-borne pathogen protocols in state-operated treatment programs by modifying terminology to include all state-operated treatment programs, including the Minnesota Sex Offender Program. |
| 2 | <b>Employee of a state-operated treatment program or employee.</b><br>Amends § 246.71, subd. 4. Modifies definition of “employee” in statutes governing blood-borne pathogen protocols in state-operated treatment programs by modifying terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”      |
| 3 | <b>State-operated treatment program.</b><br>Amends § 246.71, subd. 5. Changes terminology in statutes governing blood-borne pathogen protocols from “secure treatment facility” to “state-operated treatment program” to include all direct care and treatment programming.                      |
| 4 | <b>Conditions for applicability of procedures.</b><br>Amends § 246.711. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”   |

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5	<b>Information to patient.</b> Amends § 246.712, subd. 1. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
6	<b>Information to state-operated treatment program employee.</b> Amends § 246.712, subd. 2. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
7	<b>Disclosure of positive blood-borne pathogen test results.</b> Amends § 246.3. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
8	<b>Consent procedures generally.</b> Amends § 246.714. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
9	<b>Procedures with consent.</b> Amends § 246.715, subd. 1. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
10	<b>Procedures without consent.</b> Amends § 246.715, subd. 2. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
11	<b>Follow-up.</b> Amends § 246.715, subd. 3. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
12	<b>Procedures with consent.</b> Amends § 246.716, subd. 1. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
13	<b>Procedures without consent.</b> Amends § 246.716, subd. 2. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
14	<b>No discrimination.</b> Amends § 246.717. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
15	<b>Penalty for unauthorized release of information.</b> Amends § 246.72. Updates terminology from “inmate” to “patient.”

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16	<b>Protocol for exposure to blood-borne pathogens.</b> Amends § 246.721. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
17	<b>Immunity.</b> Amends § 246.722. Updates terminology to “state-operated treatment program.”
18	<b>Membership.</b> Amends Laws 2023, chapter 61, article 8, § 13, subd. 2. Modifies one member of the Task Force on Priority Admissions to State-Operated Treatment Programs to accurately name the organization that participated in the task force.



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