330.2003b Voluntary admission; procedures.

Sec. 1003b. The following procedures apply to voluntary admission to the corrections mental health program:

(a) If a prisoner desires to be voluntarily admitted to the corrections mental health program, the officer in charge of the state correctional facility in which the prisoner is housed shall transfer the prisoner, if necessary, to the appropriate location designated by the corrections mental health program for an examination by a psychiatrist or a psychologist, as applicable. If the examining psychiatrist or psychologist certifies to the corrections mental health program that the prisoner is mentally ill or developmentally disabled and is clinically suited for admission, the corrections mental health program shall provide the prisoner with a written individual plan of services according to section 712. Upon the prisoner's consent to the individual plan of services, the corrections mental health program shall admit the prisoner to the program.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (c), a prisoner who is voluntarily transferred under this section shall not be admitted to the corrections mental health program for more than 3 days, excluding Sundays and legal holidays, after the prisoner gives written notice of his or her intention to terminate the admission and return to the general population of the state correctional facility. If the corrections mental health program is advised by a prisoner of an intention to terminate admission, the program shall promptly provide the written form required for termination of admission and return the prisoner to the general population of the state correctional facility.

(c) If written notice of termination of admission has been given according to subdivision (b) and has not been withdrawn, and if the director of the corrections mental health program determines that the prisoner continues to require mental health services, the director, or a person designated by the director, within 3 days, excluding Sundays and holidays, after the receipt by the corrections mental health program of the notice, shall provide the prisoner and the guardian of the person, if applicable, with a notice of hearing explaining hearing rights set forth in section 1003c. The prisoner shall not be medicated for 24 hours prior to the hearing. If, following the hearing, the hearing committee finds that the prisoner does not require mental health services, the prisoner shall be placed according to normal procedures of the department of corrections. If the hearing committee finds that the prisoner continues to require mental health services, the corrections mental health program shall continue to provide those services.