DESIGNATED CAREGIVER ACT (EXCERPT) Act 85 of 2016

***** 333.26287.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE JULY 12, 2016 *****

333.26287.new Notification of patient's discharge or transfer.

Sec. 7. A hospital shall notify the patient's designated caregiver of the patient's discharge or transfer to another facility as soon as practicable and, in any event, upon issuance of a discharge order by the patient's attending physician. If the hospital is unable to contact the designated caregiver, the lack of contact shall not interfere with, delay, or otherwise affect the medical care provided to the patient, or an appropriate discharge of the patient. The hospital shall promptly document the attempt in the patient's medical record.

History: 2016, Act 85, Eff. July 12, 2016.