

CHAPTER 119

SUPERINTENDENT OF SANATORIUM

S. F. 415

AN ACT relating to qualifications of the superintendent of the state sanatorium.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section two hundred twenty point three (220.3), Code
2 1946, is hereby amended by striking from lines three (3) and four
3 (4) thereof the following: "experience in the practice of medicine"
4 and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "practical experience in
5 the field of tuberculosis".

Approved March 27, 1947.

CHAPTER 120

TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS

H. F. 107

AN ACT providing for the care of tuberculosis patients in public tuberculosis sanatoria.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. That section two hundred twenty point eleven (220.11),
2 Code 1946, is amended by striking all of said section after the word
3 "is" in line ten (10) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
4 "entitled to free treatment under Chapter 254".

1 SEC. 2. That section two hundred twenty point sixteen (220.16),
2 Code 1946, is amended by striking the period (.) at the end of said
3 section and adding thereto the following: ", except as provided in
4 Chapter 254."

1 SEC. 3. That section two hundred fifty-four point one (254.1),
2 Code 1946, is amended by striking from line three (3) thereof the
3 word "indigent".

1 SEC. 4. That Chapter 254, Code 1946, is amended by adding thereto
2 a new section as follows: "Treatments shall be supplied free to any
3 legal resident of Iowa suffering from tuberculosis upon the signed
4 certificate of his county director of social welfare, or the overseer of
5 the poor, as the board of supervisors may direct, or in case of a
6 county maintaining a separate public tuberculosis hospital, his board
7 of hospital trustees, that such person has applied for such treatment
8 and agreed to remain under treatment until discharged by the san-
9 atorium, as no longer having tuberculosis in a communicable stage
10 and is not possessed of sufficient income or estate to enable him to
11 make payment of the costs of such treatment in whole or in part
12 without affecting his reasonable economic security or support, in
13 light of his resources, obligations and responsibilities to dependents;
14 and expenditures of public funds for treatment of tuberculosis shall
15 be considered expenditures for the protection of the public health
16 and not as monies advanced in the nature of welfare or relief. The
17 state department of health shall promulgate rules and regulations

18 for the uniform administration of the provisions of this section, which
 19 shall govern the county directors of social welfare, overseers of the
 20 poor, and boards of hospital trustees in the issuance of such certificates.
 21 Any applicant who is denied a certificate by the county director of
 22 social welfare, overseer of the poor or the board of hospital trustees,
 23 may apply to a judge of the district court of his county of residence,
 24 either in term or on vacation, for a review thereof and hearing thereon
 25 which shall be de novo. The district judge shall promptly hear such
 26 application and shall render final decision thereon and enter an order
 27 accordingly. The director, overseer and board of hospital trustees
 28 shall file a copy of such certificates issued by them and the clerk of
 29 the court shall file a copy of any order entered by the district judge
 30 with the county auditor of the county of legal settlement of the
 31 applicant.

1 SEC. 5. That chapter two hundred fifty-four (254), Code 1946,
 2 is amended by adding thereto a new section as follows: "Any person
 3 receiving free treatment under the provisions of this chapter who
 4 shall fail or refuse to continue the same until the disease is no
 5 longer in a communicable stage, may be ordered rehospitalized, by
 6 the District Court of any county in which such person is found, in
 7 the same or any other sanatorium until such person no longer has
 8 tuberculosis in a communicable stage. Said order shall be issued only
 9 after complaint by any local or state health officer to such court and
 10 after hearing pursuant to notice to said person as prescribed by
 11 said court. Process shall issue to any peace officer for the enforcement
 12 of any such order of court."

1 SEC. 6. That chapter 254, Code 1946, is amended by adding thereto
 2 a new section as follows: "The county through the board of super-
 3 visors, or in case of a county maintaining a separate public tubercu-
 4 losis hospital, through the board of hospital trustees, may receive
 5 any contributions or donations of money or property from patients
 6 or other persons. Money payable under the terms of an insurance
 7 contract covering costs of hospitalization of tuberculosis patients shall
 8 be paid to the board of supervisors, or in case of a county maintaining
 9 a separate public tuberculosis hospital, to the board of hospital trustees,
 10 of the county of the patient's residence, if the insured is receiving
 11 free care under the provisions of this chapter."

1 SEC. 7. That section three hundred forty-seven point thirteen
 2 (347.13), subsection eight (8), Code, 1946, is amended by inserting
 3 after the word "indigent" in line two (2) of said subsection, the
 4 words, "or tuberculous".

1 SEC. 8. That section three hundred forty-seven point sixteen
 2 (347.16), Code 1946, is amended by inserting after the word "indigent"
 3 in line nine (9) thereof, the words, "or tuberculous"; and by striking
 4 the period (.) in line fourteen (14) thereof and adding the following:
 5 "or be entitled to free care as provided in Chapter 254."

1 SEC. 9. That section three hundred forty-seven point seventeen
 2 (347.17), Code 1946, is amended by inserting after the word "patients"
 3 in line five (5) thereof the following: "or patients entitled to free
 4 care as provided in Chapter 254."

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