

**135B.7A Procedures — orders.**

The department shall adopt rules that require hospitals and rural emergency hospitals to establish procedures for authentication of all verbal orders by a practitioner within a period not to exceed thirty days following a patient's discharge.

[2001 Acts, ch 93, §1](#); [2007 Acts, ch 93, §1](#); [2023 Acts, ch 16, §9, 20, 21](#)

2023 amendment applies to a facility or, due to change in ownership, a successor facility that was, on or before December 27, 2020, a general hospital with no more than fifty licensed beds, located in a county in a rural area as specified in [section 135B.3A](#) with a specified population, and operating on and prior to a specified date under a valid certificate of need; 2023 Acts, ch 16, §20