

1. Coordinate the lead abatement program with the department of natural resources, the University of Iowa poison control program, the mobile and regional child health speciality clinics, and any agency or program known for a direct interest in lead levels in the environment.

2. Survey geographic areas not included in the grant program pursuant to section 135.103 periodically to determine prioritization of such areas for future grant programs.

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CHAPTER 56

LOANS OF LIBRARY MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

H.F. 176

AN ACT relating to the requirements for the loaning by a library of library materials or equipment having a value of five hundred dollars or more.

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

Section 1. Section 714.5, unnumbered paragraph 6, Code 1987, is amended by striking the unnumbered paragraph.

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CHAPTER 57

ADVOCATES FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

H.F. 251

AN ACT relating to advocates for certain individuals involuntarily hospitalized.

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

Section 1. Section 229.19, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows:

The district court in each county shall appoint an individual who has demonstrated by prior activities an informed concern for the welfare and rehabilitation of the mentally ill, and who is not an officer or employee of the department of human services nor of any agency or facility providing care or treatment to the mentally ill, to act as advocate representing the interests of all patients involuntarily hospitalized by ~~that~~ the court, in any matter relating to the patients' hospitalization or treatment under section 229.14 or 229.15. The court shall assign the advocate appointed from the patient's county of legal settlement to the patient, or if the patient has no county of legal settlement, the court shall assign the advocate appointed from the county where the hospital or facility is located. The advocate's responsibility with respect to any patient shall begin at whatever time the attorney employed or appointed to represent that patient as respondent in hospitalization proceedings, conducted under sections 229.6 to 229.13, reports to the court that the attorney's services are no longer required and requests the court's approval to withdraw as counsel for that patient. However, if the patient is found to be seriously mentally impaired at the hospitalization hearing, the attorney representing the patient shall automatically be relieved of responsibility in the case and an advocate shall be ~~appointed~~ assigned to the patient at the conclusion of the hearing unless the attorney indicates an intent to continue the attorney's services and the court so directs. If the court directs the attorney to remain on the case the attorney shall assume all the duties of an advocate. The clerk shall furnish the advocate with a copy of the court's order approving the withdrawal and shall inform the patient of the name of the patient's advocate. With regard to each patient whose interests