

441—34.3(225C) Standards. In order to be designated as an alternative diagnostic facility, a facility shall meet the following standards:

34.3(1) The facility shall have clearly defined lines of authority and accountability so that a contractual agreement may be entered into with a county for the provision of preliminary diagnostic evaluations.

34.3(2) The preliminary diagnostic evaluation shall be performed by a mental health professional within a reasonable time frame, not to exceed 48 hours.

34.3(3) The mental health professional shall be familiar with the mental health institute serving the area and with the treatment resources of the community served.

34.3(4) The facility shall have written procedures for timely reporting of results of evaluations to the selected treatment resource.

34.3(5) The facility shall have written policies and procedures to safeguard the consumer's right to treatment, confidentiality, and freedom of choice. The policies and procedures shall be in conformance with federal and state laws and rules.

34.3(6) The facility shall have written procedures for fees for services.

34.3(7) The facility shall comply with procedures for uniform reporting of statistical data as established by the division of mental health and disability services.

34.3(8) The facility shall comply with the standards for the maintenance and operation of public and private facilities offering services to persons with mental illness as adopted by the mental health and disability services commission.

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