



Ohio Revised Code Section 5123.031 Nonpartisan management.

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The director of developmental disabilities may require the performance of duties by the officers of the institutions under the jurisdiction of the department of developmental disabilities so as fully to meet the requirements, intents, and purposes of this chapter. In case of an apparent conflict between the powers conferred upon any managing officer and those conferred by this chapter upon the department, the presumption shall be conclusive in favor of the department.

The director shall adopt rules for the nonpartisan management of the institutions under the jurisdiction of the department. An officer or employee of the department or any officer or employee of any institution under its control who, by solicitation or otherwise, exerts the officer's or employee's influence directly or indirectly to induce any other officer or employee of the department or any of its institutions to adopt the officer's or employee's political views or to favor any particular person, issue, or candidate for office shall be removed from the officer's or employee's office or position, by the department in case of an officer or employee, and by the governor in case of the director.

The managing officer of any institution under the jurisdiction of the department shall submit reports to the director relating to the admission, examination, comprehensive evaluation, diagnosis, release, or discharge of any resident.

The director, or a person designated by the director, shall visit each institution regularly to review the admission procedures of all new residents and to investigate complaints made by any resident or by any person on behalf of a resident.

The director shall prescribe the forms of affidavits, applications, comprehensive evaluations, orders of institutionalization and release, and all other forms that are required in the institutionalization, admission, and release of all persons with respect to institutions under the jurisdiction of the department, and of reports and records provided for under this chapter.