



Ohio Revised Code

Section 2151.461 Hospital visit - notification and response.

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(A) If a child is under the care and supervision of a residential facility and presents to an emergency department or is admitted to a hospital for an injury or mental health crisis, the emergency department or hospital shall do both of the following:

(1) Communicate with the public children services agency or private child placing agency with custody of the child about the visit. Except for care that a child has consented to under section 2108.31, 2151.85, 2907.29, 3701.242, 3709.241, 3719.012, 5120.172, or 5122.04 of the Revised Code, the emergency department or hospital shall discuss the child's medical treatment with and request authorization of care from the agency.

(2) Notify the agency of the discharge of the child from the emergency department or hospital.

(B) A public children services agency or private child placing agency with custody of a child who is under the care and supervision of a residential facility and presents to an emergency department or is admitted to a hospital for an injury or mental health crisis shall respond to the emergency department or hospital's communication regarding medical care for the child not later than four hours after initial contact.
