



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3721.161 Hearing challenging proposed transfer or discharge.

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(A) Not later than thirty days after the date a resident or the resident's sponsor receives under section 3721.16 of the Revised Code a notice of a proposed transfer or discharge, whichever date of receiving the notice is later, the resident or resident's sponsor may challenge the proposed transfer or discharge by submitting a written request for a hearing to the state department of health. On receiving the request, the department shall conduct a hearing in accordance with section 3721.162 of the Revised Code to determine whether the proposed transfer or discharge complies with divisions (A)(30) to (33) of section 3721.13 and section 3721.16 of the Revised Code.

(B) Except in the circumstances described in divisions (A)(1)(a) to (e) of section 3721.16 of the Revised Code, if a resident or the resident's sponsor submits a written hearing request not later than ten days after the date the resident or resident's sponsor received notice of the proposed transfer or discharge, whichever date of receiving the notice is later, the home shall not transfer or discharge the resident unless the department determines after the hearing that the transfer or discharge complies with divisions (A)(30) to (33) of section 3721.13 and section 3721.16 of the Revised Code or the department's determination to the contrary is reversed on appeal.

(C) If a resident or the resident's sponsor does not request a hearing pursuant to division (A) of this section, the home may transfer or discharge the resident on the date specified in the notice required by division (A) of section 3721.16 of the Revised Code or thereafter, unless the home and the resident or, if the resident is not competent to make a decision, the home and the resident's sponsor, agree to an earlier date.

(D) If a resident or the resident's sponsor requests a hearing in writing pursuant to division (A) of this section and the home transfers or discharges the resident before the department issues a hearing decision, the home shall readmit the resident in the first available bed if the department determines after the hearing that the transfer or discharge does not comply with divisions (A)(30) to (33) of section 3721.13 and section 3721.16 of the Revised Code or the department's determination to the contrary is reversed on appeal.