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**CHAPTER A-3**  
**ADDICTION SERVICES ACT**  
**REGULATIONS**

Pursuant to section 9 of the *Addiction Services Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. A-3, Council made the following regulations:

- 1.** In these regulations “operator” means the person or organization that has overall responsibility for the general management and operation of a treatment centre. (EC301/85) Interpretation
- 2.** (1) There may be appointed pursuant to the *Civil Service Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-8 such public officers as may be required to constitute a central office of addiction services, the duty of which shall be to assist the Director, on the Minister’s behalf, in overseeing and coordinating efforts relating to administration of the Act. Central office of addiction services
- (2) The functions of the central office of addiction services shall be to Functions
- (a) liaise with treatment centres and organizations providing treatment services;
  - (b) provide educational and training programs;
  - (c) facilitate and supervise financial and other administrative affairs as may be arranged by the Minister;
  - (d) develop and see to the implementation of provincial standards and guidelines for the conduct of treatment services;
  - (e) monitor and evaluate the provision of treatment services; and
  - (f) perform such other duties as the Minister may authorize or direct.
- (EC301/85)
- 3.** (1) The Director or his delegate is empowered to enter any treatment centre and to inspect or investigate any aspect of its operation relating to the provision of treatment services. Inspection
- (2) The operator and staff of a treatment centre shall cooperate with a person conducting an inspection or investigation and shall provide such information as may be requested by him, subject to the provisions of the Act and these regulations regarding confidentiality of personal client information. (EC301/85) Idem
- 4.** The operator shall provide for and maintain the physical facilities of a treatment centre to the satisfaction of the Director with respect to the appropriateness to the treatment services offered and to the adequacy of space, heat, light, ventilation, sanitation, basic comfort, fire and other Physical facilities

safety precautions, food preparation and dining facilities, bathroom facilities, furnishings and leisure amenities. (EC301/85)

Staffing	<b>5.</b> The operator shall, to the satisfaction of the Director, provide for staffing of a treatment facility appropriate to the treatment services offered, including such respects as numbers, qualifications, duty patterns and the availability of expert consultancy. (EC301/85)
Treatment modes	<b>6.</b> The operator shall ensure that a treatment centre employs treatment and rehabilitative methodologies and educational approaches that are acceptable to the Director.
Records, information	<b>7.</b> The operator shall ensure that a treatment centre keeps such records as the Director may require, pertaining to administration and finance and individual client treatment, and that information is submitted to the Director as he may request, subject to provisions of the Act and these regulations regarding confidentiality of personal client information. (EC301/85)
Policies	<b>8.</b> The operator shall ensure that a treatment centre has and adheres to written policies approved by the Director, regarding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) admission criteria and procedures, including examination, assessment and treatment planning as well as detoxification procedures;</li> <li>(b) procedures for accepting, detaining and treating an involuntary patient transferred to the treatment centre under authority of the <i>Mental Health Act</i> R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. M-6 or referred under authority of the <i>Liquor Control Act</i> R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. L-14;</li> <li>(c) case management, referral and discharge planning and procedures;</li> <li>(d) record-keeping;</li> <li>(e) management of medications, including storage, administration and monitoring procedures;</li> <li>(f) any restrictions imposed on the individual liberty of clients as an element of providing treatment services;</li> <li>(g) evacuation and other emergency procedures;</li> <li>(h) in-service or continuing education for staff;</li> <li>(i) such other matters as the Minister may determine necessary. (EC301/85)</li> </ul>
Disclosure of case information	<b>9.</b> Information relating directly to the case of a client may, notwithstanding consent or not by that person, be disclosed under the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) case information may be furnished from a treatment centre to the Minister, the Director or his delegate to meet the requirements of the Act and these regulations respecting provision of information,</li> </ul>

provided the information does not disclose the name of or otherwise readily identify a particular client;

(b) a staff person of a treatment centre may, with the express permission of the operator or his chief executive officer, discuss and otherwise share information on the case of a client

(i) with another staff person of the centre, physician, member of the client's family or other person directly involved in treatment or care of the client or directly affected by the client's alcoholism or drug abuse, where such action is believed to be necessary for the more effective treatment or rehabilitation of the client or for the welfare of the client's family, and

(ii) with the Director of Child Welfare or his delegate in a matter under the *Family and Child Services Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-2, where such action is believed to be necessary for purposes of serving the best interests of a child;

(c) where jointly authorized by the Minister and the Director. (EC301/85)

**10.** Nothing in these regulations precludes compliance with section 14 of the *Family and Child Services Act*. (EC301/85)

Information with respect to child abuse

**11.** (1) The Minister may appoint an advisory council to advise him on any matter pertaining to provincial addiction services.

Advisory council

(2) The advisory council shall comprise such members as the Minister may choose, including the Director and his assistant, the chairman or other representative of the board of directors of each approved operator agency, and a community layperson from each of the province's county regions.

*Idem*

(3) The Minister may compensate members according to current Government policies regarding honoraria and expenses. (EC301/85)

*Idem*