

Your treatment plan rights are found in South Dakota Codified Law 27A-12-3.6.

You have the right to your own individual treatment plan, put together by qualified mental health professionals, including a psychiatrist.

You have the right to help in the planning of services to be provided to you and the right to help develop, review and make changes in your treatment plan.

You have the right to an explanation of the following:

1. Your general mental and physical condition.
2. The goal of your treatment plan.
3. The nature and possible side effects of the recommended treatments.

4. The reasons why each treatment is considered appropriate.

5. The reasons why some of your personal rights may be limited.

6. Any other treatments, services, or types of providers of mental health services that may be available to you.

Usually, treatment plans may not consist of chemical or drug therapy only.

Treatment plans must be designed to achieve discharge at the earliest possible time and to maximize each person's development of social and vocational occupational skills, self-direction, and emotional stability.

The Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness is a federally funded independent program which is authorized to safeguard and promote the rights of individuals with mental illness in South Dakota, and to investigate specific reports or suspected situations of abuse and neglect in facilities.

For further information write or call:

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