**§3832. Freedom to leave**

**1. Patient's right.**  A patient admitted under section 3831 is free to leave the psychiatric hospital at any time after admission within 16 hours of the patient's request unless application for admission of the person under section 3863 is initiated within that time.

[PL 2007, c. 319, §7 (AMD).]

**2. Notice.**  The chief administrative officer of the psychiatric hospital shall cause every patient admitted under section 3831 to be informed, at the time of admission, of:

A. The patient's status as an informally admitted patient; and [PL 2007, c. 319, §7 (AMD).]

B. The patient's freedom to leave the psychiatric hospital under this section. [PL 2007, c. 319, §7 (AMD).]

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