

2003 Senate Bill 372

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2003 WISCONSIN ACT 281

AN ACT *to amend* 146.82 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** making patient health care records concerning health care operations inapplicable to restrictions on release without informed consent.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 146.82 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.82 (1) CONFIDENTIALITY. All patient health care records shall remain confidential. Patient health care records may be released only to the persons designated in

this section or to other persons with the informed consent of the patient or of a person authorized by the patient. This subsection does not prohibit reports made in compliance with s. 146.995, 253.12 (2) or 979.01 or testimony authorized under s. 905.04 (4) (h); or releases made for purposes of health care operations, as defined in 45 CFR 164.501, and as authorized under 45 CFR 164, subpart E.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2001-02 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].