

1991 Assembly Bill 432

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1991 WISCONSIN ACT 129

AN ACT to create 50.36 (3g) of the statutes, relating to: permitting certain hospitals to provide staff privileges to certain psychologists.

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

SECTION 1. 50.36 (3g) of the statutes is created to read:

50.36 (3g) (a) In this subsection:

1. "Mental illness" has the meaning given in s. 51.01 (13) (a).

2. "Psychologist" means a licensed psychologist, as defined in s. 455.01 (4).

(b) A hospital that admits patients for treatment of mental illness may grant to a psychologist who is listed or eligible to be listed in the national register of health services providers in psychology an opportunity to

obtain hospital staff privileges to admit, treat and discharge patients. Each hospital may determine whether the applicant's training, experience and demonstrated competence are sufficient to justify the granting of hospital staff privileges or of limited hospital staff privileges.

(c) If a hospital grants a psychologist hospital staff privileges or limited hospital staff privileges under par. (b), the psychologist or the hospital shall, prior to or at the time of hospital admission of a patient, identify an appropriate physician with admitting privileges at the hospital who shall be responsible for the medical evaluation and medical management of the patient for the duration of his or her hospitalization.
