

HB 1663 -- Restraints for Mental Health Facility Patients

Sponsor: Kirkton

This bill authorizes an attending advanced practice registered nurse (APN) who has a collaborative practice agreement with a licensed physician to determine whether or not the physical or chemical restraint, isolation or seclusion, or the use of a security escort device for a patient in a mental health facility is necessary to protect the health and safety of the patient and the public. The use of a restraint, isolation, or seclusion must be documented in the patient's clinical record under the APN's signature.