

## Notice of Public Hearing

The Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS) will hold a rule-making hearing pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-907 at 9 am on the 15th day of November, 2016 to be held at the NDCS Central Office located at 801 W. Prospector Place, Building 1, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509.

The purpose of the hearing is to take testimony and evidence about the adoption of Title 72, Chapter 4, entitled Mental Health Screening, Risk Assessment and Discharge Review Team Procedures. This action is proposed to implement Neb. Rev. Stat. §83-180 consistent with the authority granted by law and with constitutionality.

The subject matter and scope of the rule-making action is the process for screening inmates for mental illness at intake, risk assessment for high risk inmates and reviewing potentially dangerous inmates prior to discharge. The rules requires all inmates be screened for mental illness within two weeks of intake, establish the Discharge Review Team, specify its membership and establish criteria for reviewing inmates prior to discharge.

Draft or working copies of the proposed rules are available at the offices of the Secretary of State, Regulations Division, Room 343, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509. There is no expected fiscal impact from adopting these regulations.

All interested persons are invited to attend and testify orally or by written submission at the hearing. Interested persons may also submit written comments prior to the hearing which will be made part of the hearing record if received by NDCS on or before November 11th, 2016. If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed to participate in the hearing please call Jodi Witte at 402-479-5639 or email her at [Jodi.witte@nebraska.gov](mailto:Jodi.witte@nebraska.gov) by no later than November 11th, 2016.



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