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TITLE 31. HEALTH
CHAPTER 18. REGISTRY FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURIES

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O.C.G.A. § 31-18-4 (2007)

§ 31-18-4. Duties of commission

(a) The Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission, which is administratively assigned to the Department of Human Resources, shall establish procedures whereby a person with a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury for whom a report is made in this chapter shall be informed of appropriate agencies, departments, hospitals, facilities, organizations, or individuals providing rehabilitative, independent living, and other services or goods.

(b) The Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission shall maintain records of reports and notifications made under this chapter. The Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission shall produce an annual report relating to information and data collected pursuant to this chapter and shall make such report available upon request.

(c) Statistical information collected under this chapter shall be available to any other federal or state agency or private organization concerned with traumatic brain or spinal cord injuries, but no names or addresses will be provided without the consent of the person with the traumatic brain or spinal cord injury or the consent of the immediate family or guardian of such person if that person is unable to consent.

HISTORY: Code 1933, § 88-3404, enacted by Ga. L. 1980, p. 1245, § 1; Ga. L. 1981, p. 1027, § 2; Ga. L. 1982, p. 833, § 2; Ga. L. 1985, p. 149, § 31; Ga. L. 1985, p. 871, § 1; Ga. L. 2000, p. 1137, § 3; Ga. L. 2004, p. 1107, § 2; Ga. L. 2006, p. 175, § 1/SB 208.

NOTES:

THE 2004 AMENDMENT, effective July 1, 2004, substituted "Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission, which is administratively assigned to the department," for "department" near the beginning of subsection (a) and substituted the present provisions of subsection (b) for the former provisions which read: "The Division of Rehabilitation Services of the Department of Labor shall maintain records of reports, notifications, and referrals made under this chapter. The Division of Rehabilitation Services shall submit quarterly reports of its notifications and referrals to the Division of Physical Health."

THE 2006 AMENDMENT, effective July 1, 2006, substituted the present provisions of this Code section for the former provisions which read: "(a) The Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission, which is administratively assigned to the department, shall establish procedures whereby a spinal cord disabled or head-injured person for whom a report is made under this chapter shall be referred with informed consent to appropriate public or private departments or agencies for treatment and rehabilitative services.

"(b) The Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission shall maintain records of reports, notifications, and referrals made under this chapter. The Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission shall produce an annual report relating to information and data collected pursuant to this chapter and shall make such report available upon request.