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NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF  
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TITLE 186 HEALTH REGISTRIES AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

CHAPTER 4 PARKINSON'S DISEASE REGISTRY

001. SCOPE AND AUTHORITY. These regulations implement the establishment and maintenance of a registry pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes (Neb. Rev. Stats.) §§ 81-697 to 81-6,110 and 81-663 to 81-675.

002. DEFINITIONS. Definitions set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-697 to 81-6,110 and 81-663 to 81-875 apply to this chapter.

003. PHYSICIAN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Reports filed by physicians shall include the information identified in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-6,102 and the following:

- (A) Race;
- (B) Education level;
- (C) Occupation;
- (D) Dementia/cognitive impairment (Y/N);
- (E) Bradykinesia diagnosis, if any;
- (F) Gait difficulty diagnosis, if any; and
- (G) All Parkinson's disease-related procedures provided.

003.01 REPORTING IN LIEU OF PHYSICIANS. If a licensed healthcare facility or the Nebraska Health Information Initiative, or its successor, submits the required information to the Department, the physician is not required to make the report to the Department. Physicians remain obligated to report when such report is not made by either a licensed healthcare facility or the Nebraska Health Information Initiative, or its successor, or a report does not contain all of the required information.

004. INDIVIDUAL REPORTING. An individual may file a report as provided in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-6,102 with the information set out in 186 Nebraska Administrative Code (NAC) 4-003 and the name of the treating physician.

005. PHARMACIST REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Reports filed by pharmacist shall include the information identified in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-6,103. The report for the months of January through June must be filed on or before the following July 31st, and the report for the months of July through December must be filed on or before January 31st of the following year.

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006. AVAILABILITY OF MEDICAL RECORDS. For purposes of validation of reports made by individuals each physician must make available medical records that document the diagnosis of individuals with Parkinson's disease or related movement disorders. Each pharmacist must make available patient drug profiles that document the prescribing of the reportable drugs. Such medical records or patient drug profiles must be made available to the Department or its authorized representative in the offices of such physician or pharmacist.

007. CONFIDENTIALITY AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION. Data can only be released as provided by statute and Title 186 NAC. Any de-identified data asked for by and furnished to a researcher may not be intentionally re-identified in any manner. Should a recipient of de-identified information unintentionally or accidentally be able to identify any individual they must not use that information in any way. The recipient must also notify the Department of the means of accidental re-identification in order for the Department to consider additional procedures to safeguard against breaches in confidentiality.