

2023 Kansas Statutes

38-2317. Infectious disease testing and counseling; disclosure of results; penalties. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Adjudicated person" means a person found to be a juvenile offender or a person found not to be a juvenile offender because of mental disease or defect.

(2) "Laboratory confirmation" means positive test results from a confirmation test approved by the secretary of health and environment.

(3) "Sexual act" means contact between the penis and the vulva, the penis and the anus, the mouth and the penis, the mouth and the vulva or the mouth and the anus. For purposes of this definition contact involving the penis occurs upon penetration, however slight.

(4) "Infectious disease test" means a test approved by the secretary of health and environment.

(5) "Body fluids" means blood, semen or vaginal secretions or any body fluid visibly contaminated with blood.

(6) "Infectious disease" means any disease communicable from one person to another through contact with bodily fluids.

(b) At the time of the first appearance before the court of a person charged with an offense involving a sexual act committed while the person was a juvenile, or in which it appears from the nature of the charge that the transmission of body fluids from one person to another may have been involved, the judge shall inform the person or the parent or legal guardian of the person of the availability of infectious disease testing and counseling and shall cause each alleged victim of the offense and if the alleged victim is a minor, the parent, if any, to be notified that infectious disease testing and counseling are available.

(c) If the victim of the offense or if the victim is a minor, if the victim's parent requests the court to order infectious disease tests of the alleged offender or if the person charged with the offense stated to law enforcement officers that such person has an infectious disease or is infected with an infectious disease, or used words of like effect, the court shall order the person charged with the offense to submit to infectious disease tests.

(d) For any offense by an adjudicated person which the court determines, from the facts of the case, involved or was likely to have involved the transmission of body fluids from one person to another or involved a sexual act, the court: (1) May order the adjudicated person to submit to infectious disease tests; or (2) shall order the adjudicated person to submit to infectious disease tests if a victim of the offense, or the parent or legal guardian of the victim if the victim is a minor, requests the court to make such order. If an infectious disease test is ordered under this subsection, a victim who is an adult shall designate a health care provider or counselor to receive the information on behalf of the victim. If a victim is a minor, the parent or legal guardian of the victim shall designate the health care provider or counselor to receive the information. If testing for HIV or hepatitis B infection results in a negative reaction, the court shall order the adjudicated person to submit to another test for HIV or hepatitis B infection six months after the first test was administered.

(e) The results of infectious disease tests ordered under this section shall be disclosed to the court which ordered the test, to the adjudicated person, or the parent or legal guardian of the adjudicated person, and to each person designated under subsection (d) by a victim or by the parent or legal guardian of a victim. If infectious disease tests ordered under this section results in a laboratory confirmation, the results shall be reported to the secretary of health and environment and to: (1) The commissioner of juvenile justice, in the case of a juvenile offender or a person not adjudicated because of mental disease or defect, for inclusion in such offender's or person's medical file; or (2) the secretary of corrections, in the case of a person under 16 years of age who has been convicted as an adult, for inclusion in such person's medical file. The secretary of health and environment shall provide to each victim of the crime or sexual act, at the option of such victim, counseling regarding the human immunodeficiency virus and hepatitis B, testing for HIV or hepatitis B infection in accordance with K.S.A. 65-6001 et seq., and amendments thereto, and referral for

appropriate health care and services.

(f) The costs of any counseling and testing provided under subsection (e) by the secretary of health and environment shall be paid from amounts appropriated to the department of health and environment for that purpose. The court shall order the adjudicated person to pay restitution to the department of health and environment for the costs of any counseling provided under this section and the costs of any test ordered or otherwise performed under this section.

(g) When a court orders an adjudicated person to submit to infectious disease tests under this section, the withdrawal of the blood may be performed only by: (1) A person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or a person acting under the supervision of any such licensed person; (2) a licensed professional nurse or a licensed practical nurse; or (3) a qualified medical technician. No person authorized by this subsection to withdraw blood, no person assisting in the performance of infectious disease tests nor any medical care facility where blood is withdrawn or tested that has been ordered by the court to withdraw or test blood shall be liable in any civil or criminal action when the test is performed in a reasonable manner according to generally accepted medical practices.

(h) The results of tests or reports, or information therein, obtained under this section shall be confidential and shall not be divulged to any person not authorized by this section or authorized in writing by the juvenile to receive the results or information. Any violation of this section is a class C nonperson misdemeanor.

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