**Section 518.1160 Surveys**

a) The Department will conduct a survey of an FEC at any time to determine compliance with the Act and this Part or with a plan of correction submitted as a result of deficiencies cited by the Department.

b) Surveys (except for initial licenses) will be unannounced.

c) Upon completion of each survey, the Department will submit a copy of the report to the licensee within 15 working days after exit. The report will identify deficiencies in compliance with the requirements of the Act or this Part. The report will include any recommendation for action by the Department under the Act and of correction from the facility. The licensee may provide related comments or documentation to refute findings in the report, explain extenuating circumstances that the facility could not reasonably have prevented, or indicate methods and timetables for correction of deficiencies described in the report. A licensee has 15 days after receipt of the survey report to submit a plan of correction.

d) The Department will determine whether a facility is in violation of this Section no later than 90 days after completion of each survey.

e) The Department will maintain all survey reports for at least seven years in a manner accessible to the public.

f) Any licensee, applicant for a license, or person operating an FEC shall be deemed to have given consent to any authorized officer, employee or agent of the Department to enter and inspect the FEC, conduct interviews and photocopy materials as necessary to determine compliance in the facility in accordance with the Act and this Part. Refusal to permit such entry or survey shall constitute grounds for denial, nonrenewal or revocation of a license.

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