



West Virginia

Type*	Provision(s)	Description
STA, TRA	W. Va. Code § 16-21-3(a)	Women's Right to Know Act: Information about adoption, the possible detrimental psychological effects of abortion, and fetal development at two-week intervals shall be published in English and in each language that is the primary language of two percent or more of the state's population (as determined by the most recent decennial census performed by the U.S. census bureau) and shall be available on the state's website.
MFA	W. Va. Code § 27-5-1(b)(1)	In any proceedings before any court for involuntary commitment to a mental health facility, the court shall appoint an interpreter for any individual who speaks a foreign language.
LTC	W. Va. Code § 64-13-4(4.5.c)	As a condition for licensure, nursing homes shall reasonably accommodate residents with a primary language other than English to inform residents of their rights.
CRD	W. Va. Code § 64-89A-2	Forms for the uniform credentialing of health care practitioners will ask if the practitioner speaks any other languages other than English.
OAA	W. Va. Code § 76-3-2, Attachment	Each area agency on aging (AAA) shall provide assurances that they will use outreach efforts that will identify individuals eligible for assistance under the Older Americans Act, with special emphasis on older individuals with limited English speaking ability. In addition, the required state plan must provide assurances that, if a substantial number of the older individuals residing in any planning and service area in the State are LEP, the State will require the AAA to utilize in the delivery of outreach services workers who are fluent in the language spoken by a predominant number of such LEP older individuals; and to designate an individual employed by the AAA, or available to the AAA on a full-time basis, whose responsibilities will include: taking such action as may be appropriate to assure that counseling assistance is made available to LEP older individuals to assist them in participating in programs and receiving assistance under this Act; and providing guidance to individuals engaged in the delivery of supportive services under the area plan involved to enable such individuals to be aware of cultural sensitivities and to take into account effectively linguistic and cultural differences.

* Codes are available at the end of the document.

Using the State Charts

The Charts present information for each state along three columns. The first column provides a three-letter code that signifies the subject matter of the law being cited. The second column gives the citation to the provision, and the last column offers a brief summary of the provision. The first column coding is as follows:

Code Subject Matter

AGY	Government agency requirements (excluding hearings/legal proceedings)
CHC	Community health centers
CHI	Children's health (excluding EPSDT and early intervention)
CON	Consent (e.g. informed consent)
CRD	Credentialing or profiles for health professionals (e.g. nurses' aides testing)
EIS	Early Intervention Services for children and newborn screening
EPS	Medicaid Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Services
FAM	Use of family members, friends, children as interpreters
HEA	Hearings/legal proceedings
HHC	Home health agencies, personal care services, and adult day health centers (not related to mental illness/developmental disabilities)
HIV	HIV/AIDS
HOS	Hospitals
INS	Insurance carriers (may include health maintenance organizations)
INT	Interpreter standards/certification/qualifications
LTC	Long-term care, including nursing homes, assisted living (not related to mental illness/developmental disabilities)
MED	Medicaid

Code Subject Matter

MEN	Services for people with mental health issues or developmental disabilities, including behavioral health services, habilitation services and Independent Living services (not facilities)
MCE	Medicare
MCO	Managed care organization/Prepaid in-patient/ambulatory health plan
MFA	Facilities for mental illness, ICF/MRs, and other facilities for the provision of psychiatric or mental health services
OAA	Services for the elderly or services under the Older Americans Act
PAY	Reimbursement/payments
PRO	Health professions standards/requirements
PUB	Public health
PWD	People with disabilities
RGT	Patient/client rights
STA	Sterilization/abortion
TRA	Translation
UNI	Universal
WOM	Services related to women's health but not abortion/sterilization
XXX	Other