**Section 146.900 General Provisions**

a) The Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013 [210 ILCS 49] provides for licensure of long-term care facilities that are federally designated as institutions for mental disease on the effective date of the Act and specialize in providing services to individuals with serious mental illness. On and after July 22, 2013, these facilities shall be governed by the Act and this Part instead of the Nursing Home Care Act.

b) All consent decrees that applied to facilities federally designated as institutions for mental disease prior to the enactment of the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act shall continue to apply to facilities licensed under the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013.

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