

The County of Montgomery (prevention and treatment of infectious disease) regulations, 1919 / Charles Knight].

Contributors

Great Britain. Ministry of Health.
Knight, Charles.

Publication/Creation

London : H.M.S.O., 1919.

Persistent URL

<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/s6s96t2z>

License and attribution

This work has been identified as being free of known restrictions under copyright law, including all related and neighbouring rights and is being made available under the Creative Commons, Public Domain Mark.

You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, without asking permission.



Wellcome Collection
183 Euston Road
London NW1 2BE UK
T +44 (0)20 7611 8722
E library@wellcomecollection.org
<https://wellcomecollection.org>

Prevention and Treatment of Infectious Diseases :
Regulations.

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY.

To the County Council of the COUNTY OF
MONTGOMERY ;—

To the Councils of each of the Municipal Boroughs and
other Urban Districts and of the Rural Districts
within the said County ;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS the County of Montgomery is not provided with adequate means for the treatment of persons therein who may be affected with any Infectious Disease, and the County Council of that County have, in conformity with the provisions of Section 2 of the Public Health (Prevention and Treatment of Disease) Act, 1913, consented to provide or arrange for the provision of treatment for such persons, and it is expedient that the Regulations herein-after set forth should be made with regard to such treatment, and for preventing the spread of Infectious Disease in the County :

NOW THEREFORE, the Minister of Health, by this His Order, and in the exercise of the powers conferred on Him by the Public Health Act, 1875, the Public Health Act, 1896, and the Public Health (Prevention and Treatment of Disease) Act, 1913, and every other power enabling Him in that behalf, makes the following Regulations, and also Declares and Directs as follows :—

Definitions.

ARTICLE I.—In these Regulations,—

The expression “County Council” means the County Council of the County of Montgomery ;

The expression “County” means the County of Montgomery ;

The expression "District Council" means the Council of a Municipal Borough or other Urban District or of a Rural District within the County;

The expression "District" means a Municipal Borough or other Urban District or a Rural District within the County;

The expression "Hospital" means an Isolation Hospital which may be used under these Regulations for the reception and treatment of persons affected with Infectious Disease;

The expression "Infectious Disease" does not include small-pox or tuberculosis;

The expression "The Minister" means the Minister of Health.

Duties of Medical Officer of Health of a District.

ARTICLE II.—The Medical Officer of Health of a District, on becoming aware that a person in the District is affected with any Infectious Disease for which hospital treatment is desirable or necessary, shall take the following steps, that is to say:—

- (1) He shall immediately report the case to the County Medical Officer of Health and to the Medical Superintendent of the Hospital to which it may be desired to remove the patient.
- (2) He shall, subject to any directions which may be given by the County Medical Officer of Health, immediately cause the necessary steps to be taken to secure the isolation and treatment of the patient in a Hospital.
- (3) He shall cause all necessary or desirable steps to be taken for the satisfactory disinfection of the infected house, and of all infected clothing, bedding, and other articles in it, for the investigation of the sources of infection, and for the tracing and surveillance of all persons who have been in contact with the patient.

Provision of Treatment.

ARTICLE III.—The County Council shall, to the satisfaction of the Minister, provide or arrange for the provision of suitable means for the proper isolation and treatment of persons in the County who are affected with any Infectious Disease for which hospital treatment is necessary.



Hospital.

ARTICLE IV.—Every Hospital shall be administered in accordance with the following Rules ; that is to say,—

- (1) The site of the Hospital shall be subject to approval by the Minister ;
- (2) The Hospital shall be maintained in readiness to be used at any time for the reception and treatment of persons affected with any Infectious Disease for which hospital treatment is necessary or desirable, and shall not, without the sanction of the Minister, be used for any other purpose ;
- (3) Proper and sufficient accommodation for the staff of the Hospital shall be provided at the Hospital ;
- (4) Means for the disinfection of clothing and bedding shall be provided ;
- (5) The Medical Superintendent of the Hospital shall keep or cause to be kept such records as the Minister may require of each case of Infectious Disease treated at the Hospital, and shall furnish to the County Medical Officer of Health, and to the Medical Officer of Health of the District from which any patient was admitted into the Hospital, any particulars as to the patient which either of those Officers may from time to time require.

Powers of County Council.

ARTICLE V.—For the purposes of these Regulations the following Sections of the Public Health Act, 1875, shall apply, and the County Council shall have, exercise, perform, and be subject to all the powers, rights, duties, capacities, liabilities, and obligations of an Urban District Council under those Sections, so far as the same are applicable ; that is to say,—

Sections 121, 122, 123, 124, and 131, relating to infectious diseases and hospitals.

Settlement of Differences.

ARTICLE VI.—If a difference arises between the County Council and any District Council as to any matter arising out of these Regulations, the difference may, on the application of the County Council or the District Council, be referred to the Minister for determination, and the Minister may determine the difference otherwise than as an arbitrator, and His determination shall be final and conclusive.

Short Title and Commencement.

ARTICLE VII.—These Regulations may be cited as “The County of Montgomery (Prevention and Treatment of Infectious Disease) Regulations, 191~~9~~” and shall come into operation on the date hereof.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Health,
this Eighth day of July, in the year One thousand
nine hundred and nineteen.



Charles Knight

*Assistant Secretary,
Authorised by the Minister of Health.*