OVERVIEW: Section 9F.2 of S.L. 2021-180 requires the Department of Health and Human Services in coordination with Department of Information Technology, to execute a contract within 6 months of the effective date of the section that provides:

- Within 18 months of contract execution, full implementation of standard, uniform platform for electronic health records that most closely resembles the electronic health records platform utilized by The University of North Carolina System within each of the State psychiatric hospitals.

- Training of the State's psychiatric hospitals' staff on the use of the electronic health records system.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.