

**§7016. Liability**

**1. Participation in sterilization.** Nothing in this chapter requires any hospital or any person to participate in performing any sterilization procedure, nor may any hospital or any person be civilly or criminally liable for refusing to participate in performing any sterilization procedure.  
[PL 1983, c. 459, §7 (NEW).]

**2. Immunity.** A physician, psychiatrist or psychologist acting nonnegligently and in good faith in that physician's, psychiatrist's or psychologist's professional capacity under this chapter is immune from any civil liability that might otherwise result from that physician's, psychiatrist's or psychologist's actions. In a proceeding regarding immunity from liability, there is a rebuttable presumption of good faith.  
[RR 2019, c. 2, Pt. B, §111 (COR).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1983, c. 459, §7 (NEW). RR 2019, c. 2, Pt. B, §111 (COR).

The State of Maine claims a copyright in its codified statutes. If you intend to republish this material, we require that you include the following disclaimer in your publication:

*All copyrights and other rights to statutory text are reserved by the State of Maine. The text included in this publication reflects changes made through the First Regular and First Special Session of the 131st Maine Legislature and is current through November 1, 2023. The text is subject to change without notice. It is a version that has not been officially certified by the Secretary of State. Refer to the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated and supplements for certified text.*

The Office of the Revisor of Statutes also requests that you send us one copy of any statutory publication you may produce. Our goal is not to restrict publishing activity, but to keep track of who is publishing what, to identify any needless duplication and to preserve the State's copyright rights.

PLEASE NOTE: The Revisor's Office cannot perform research for or provide legal advice or interpretation of Maine law to the public. If you need legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.