



Codebook for Involuntary Commitment for Substance Use Laws

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Involuntary commitment laws for substance use authorize the involuntary arrest, detention, and/or treatment of an individual for substance use disorder. Building on the existing LawAtlas dataset on Laws Authorizing Involuntary Commitment for Substance Use, this dataset examines important features of involuntary commitment laws specifically focused on substance use. This longitudinal study includes coding questions on the circumstances for commitment, the parties authorized to petition for a commitment, the requirement of a clinical assessment, the types of health professionals authorized to perform the assessment, the requirement of judicial review, the duration of the initial commitment, the provision of counsel, the extension of commitment without court order, the treatments authorized, the recommitment process and the rights provided to a committed individual.

This dataset is longitudinal, capturing laws in effect on March 1, 2018, and valid through May 1, 2021.

There are three standard variables in every PDAPS dataset. They are:

JURISDICTION:

This is a dropdown selection in each coding form. It includes the jurisdictions coded in the dataset.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the most recent effective date of the legal text captured for this place. The effective date represents the date the policy coded was put into effect.

VALID THROUGH DATE:

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the last date the policy was in effect as reflected by the legal text captured to code this policy.

An important note about the statistical data page:

This codebook should be used in conjunction with the statistical data extract that can be downloaded from the dataset homepage by clicking on the Data button. The value labels defined below will correspond with the coded responses you will see on the Statistical data page. Coding questions that are not answered will show as a period (".") in the Excel cell. Coding questions can be intentionally not answered, such as when a state does not have a law and the coder therefore leaves the remaining coding answers as unanswered.

An important note about the effective date:

The first record of each jurisdiction within this dataset captures only laws in effect on March 1, 2018. The effective date for each jurisdictional record represents the date on which the most recent amendment among the laws contained with that state record as of March 1, 2018, came into effect as the law of the jurisdiction. Please note that the same or similar provisions may have been in effect in a jurisdiction prior to the effective date(s) reflected in this dataset. This dataset does not purport to measure the law as it existed before that date or provide the original enactment date of such law(s).

Questions

Question 1:	Is substance use disorder grounds for involuntary commitment under state law?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_law
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 2:	Does the statute explicitly authorize the civil commitment of substance users?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_Law_Specific
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 3:	Is the statute a general mental health commitment law, using broad language to include substance use?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_law_broad
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 4:	Is the statute a general mental health commitment law with a definition of mental illness that includes substance use?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_Law_Def
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 5:	Is involuntary commitment permitted where an individual is deemed to be a danger?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	grounds
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 6:	What type of danger is grounds for involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply

Variable Name:	grounds_danger_Danger to self
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 7:	What type of danger is grounds for involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_danger_Danger to others
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 8:	What type of danger is grounds for involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_danger_Danger to unborn child
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 9:	What type of danger is grounds for involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_danger_Danger to property
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 10:	Are additional grounds required for involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	grounds_extra
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 11:	What additional grounds may be required?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_extra_type_Gravely disabled
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 12:	What additional grounds may be required?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_extra_type_Needs treatment

Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 13:	What additional grounds may be required?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_extra_type_Capacity to seek treatment
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 14:	Are there grounds other than danger that permit involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	grounds_alternative
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 15:	What other grounds are permitted?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_alternative_type_Gravely disabled
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 16:	What other grounds are permitted?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_alternative_type_Needs treatment
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 17:	What other grounds are permitted?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	grounds_alternative_type_Capacity to seek treatment
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 18:	What is the maximum duration of an initial involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_duration

Variable Values:	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Value Label:	0 = 14 days
Value Label:	1 = 21 days
Value Label:	2 = 30 days
Value Label:	3 = 90 days
Value Label:	4 = 120 days
Value Label:	5 = 180 days
Value Label:	6 = One year
Value Label:	7 = Two years
Value Label:	8 = Duration Unspecified
Question 19:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Friend
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 20:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Family
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 21:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Law Enforcement
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 22:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_General Medicial Professional
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 23:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Mental Health Professional

Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 24:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Designated staff at a treatment facility
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 25:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Government Official
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 26:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Any interested person
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 27:	Who can initiate involuntary commitment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_initiate treatment_Individual who can initiate commitment not specified in the law
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 28:	Is judicial review of the involuntary commitment required?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_judicial review
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 29:	Is a clinical assessment required to involuntarily commit a patient due to substance use disorder?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive

Variable Name:	IC_clinical assessment
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 30:	Is the clinical assessment binding on commitment decision due to substance use disorder?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_binding
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 31:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_MD
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 32:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_RN
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 33:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_PA
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 34:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Nurse Practitioner
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 35:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply

Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Practitioner with substance use expertise (explicitly trained in substance use treatment)
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 36:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Counselor/Social Worker
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 37:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Mental Health Professional
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 38:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Psychologist
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 39:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Psychiatrist
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 40:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Psychiatric RN
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 41:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply

Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Psychiatric PA
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 42:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Professional with unspecific qualifications
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 43:	What type of health care professionals can perform an assessment?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_assessment_Statute does not mention assessment
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 44:	Does the individual have a right to counsel at the commitment hearing?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_right to counsel
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 45:	Does an extension to an existing involuntary commitment require a court order?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_extension
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 46:	Which of the following rights must be provided to a patient who has been committed due to substance use disorder?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_rights_Right to make a phone call
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 47:	Which of the following rights must be provided to a patient who has been committed due to substance use disorder?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_rights_ Right to have visitors
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 48:	Which of the following rights must be provided to a patient who has been committed due to substance use disorder?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_rights_Right to know procedure for requesting release
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 49:	Which of the following rights must be provided to a patient who has been committed due to substance use disorder?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_rights_None
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 50:	What treatments can be performed without patient consent?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_treatment without consent_Receive medication
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 51:	What treatments can be performed without patient consent?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_treatment without consent_Surgery
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 52:	What treatments can be performed without patient consent?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_treatment without consent_Electric shock
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No

Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 53:	What treatments can be performed without patient consent?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_treatment without consent_Restrained
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 54:	What treatments can be performed without patient consent?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_treatment without consent_Secluded
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 55:	What treatments can be performed without patient consent?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name:	IC_treatment without consent_Not Specified in the law
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 56:	Is there a recommitment process?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_recommitment
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 57:	Does it require external review?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name:	IC_recommitment review
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes