

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Public Health Powers and
5 Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is
6 amended by adding Section 2310-223 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2310/2310-223 new)

8 Sec. 2310-223. Obstetric hemorrhage and hypertension
9 training.

10 (a) As used in this Section, "hospital" means a hospital
11 licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act.

12 (b) The Department shall ensure that all hospitals require
13 new obstetric staff hires, emergency department staff hires,
14 anesthesia staff hires, and any other hires that care for
15 pregnant or postpartum women, including residents and fellows
16 in training, to complete educational training on the management
17 of severe maternal hypertension and postpartum hemorrhage.
18 Hospitals must demonstrate completion of the training of new
19 hires with a course certificate from the Department, such as
20 the certificate provided by the Alliance for Innovation in
21 Maternal Health eModules on Maternal Hypertension in Pregnancy
22 and Obstetric Hemorrhage, as supported by the American College
23 of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

1 (c) The Department shall ensure that all hospitals conduct
2 continuing education yearly for providers and staff of
3 obstetric medicine and of the emergency department and other
4 staff that may care for pregnant or postpartum women. The
5 continuing education shall include yearly simulations or
6 drills regarding management of severe maternal hypertension
7 and obstetric hemorrhage for all units that care for pregnant
8 or postpartum women. Hospitals must demonstrate compliance
9 with these education and training requirements.

10 (d) The Department shall ensure that all hospitals require
11 all current and new obstetrical staff, emergency department
12 staff, and any other staff, including residents and fellows in
13 training, who provide care for pregnant or postpartum women to
14 receive implicit bias training and education in cultural
15 competency in interactions between patients and providers.

16 (e) The Department shall provide support for the Illinois
17 Perinatal Quality Collaborative to develop an initiative to
18 improve birth equity and reduce peripartum racial and ethnic
19 disparities, modeled using the Alliance for Innovation on
20 Maternal Health and the California Maternal Quality
21 Collaborative's pilot work on improving birth equity. The
22 Department shall support the initiation of a statewide
23 perinatal quality improvement initiative in collaboration with
24 Illinois birthing hospitals to implement strategies to reduce
25 peripartum racial and ethnic disparities and to address
26 implicit bias in the health care system.

1 (f) The Department shall ensure that all hospitals develop
2 protocols for timely identification of all pregnant and
3 postpartum women in the emergency department and for
4 appropriate and timely consultation of an obstetric provider to
5 provide input on management and follow-up.

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
7 becoming law.