

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB2043

Introduced 2/20/2009, by Sen. Heather Steans

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-24

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that a disease management pilot project undertaken by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall include a study of patient outcomes for patients at risk of low birth weight or premature birth. Provides that low birth weight and premature birth include all medical and other conditions that lead to poor birth outcomes or problematic pregnancies. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by changing Section 5-24 as follows:
- 6 (305 ILCS 5/5-24)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2014)
- 8 Sec. 5-24. Disease management programs and services for chronic conditions; pilot project.
- In this Section, "disease management programs and 10 services" means services administered to patients in order to 11 12 their overall health and to prevent clinical improve 13 exacerbations and complications, using cost-effective, 14 evidence-based practice guidelines and patient self-management strategies. Disease management programs and services include 15 16 all of the following:
- 17 (1) A population identification process.
- 18 (2) Evidence-based or consensus-based clinical 19 practice guidelines, risk identification, and matching of 20 interventions with clinical need.
- 21 (3) Patient self-management and disease education.
- 22 (4) Process and outcomes measurement, evaluation,
 23 management, and reporting.

- (b) Subject to appropriations, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services may undertake a pilot project to study patient outcomes, for patients with chronic diseases or patients at risk of low birth weight or premature birth, associated with the use of disease management programs and services for chronic condition management. "Chronic diseases" include, but are not limited to, diabetes, congestive heart failure, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Low birth weight and premature birth include all medical and other conditions that lead to poor birth outcomes or problematic pregnancies.
 - (c) The disease management programs and services pilot project shall examine whether chronic disease management programs and services for patients with specific chronic conditions do any or all of the following:
 - (1) Improve the patient's overall health in a more expeditious manner.
 - (2) Lower costs in other aspects of the medical assistance program, such as hospital admissions, days in skilled nursing homes, emergency room visits, or more frequent physician office visits.
 - (d) In carrying out the pilot project, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall examine all relevant scientific literature and shall consult with health care practitioners including, but not limited to, physicians, surgeons, registered pharmacists, and registered nurses.

- 1 (e) The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall
- 2 consult with medical experts, disease advocacy groups, and
- 3 academic institutions to develop criteria to be used in
- 4 selecting a vendor for the pilot project.
- 5 (f) The Department of Healthcare and Family Services may
- 6 adopt rules to implement this Section.
- 7 (g) This Section is repealed 10 years after the effective
- 8 date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)
- 10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 11 becoming law.