



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB3097

by Rep. Theresa Mah

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/12-4.52 new

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Department of Human Services to develop in collaboration with an academic institution a program designed to provide prescribing physicians under the medical assistance program with an evidence-based, non-commercial source of the latest objective information about pharmaceuticals. Provides that the prescriber education program shall consist of a web-based curriculum and an academic educator outreach and shall contract with clinical pharmacists to provide scheduled visits with prescribing physicians to update them on the latest research concerning medication usage and new updates on disease states in an unbiased manner. Provides that education provided under the prescriber education program shall include disease-based educational modules on the treatment of chronic non-cancer pain, diabetes, hypertension, and other specified diseases and that such modules shall be reviewed and updated on an annual or as-needed basis. Provides that additional resources provided under the prescribing education program shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a drug information response center available to prescribing physicians that provides thorough and timely in-depth answers to any questions a prescribing physician may have within 48 hours after a question is received; and (ii) information on drug utilization trends within individual and group practices.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 adding Section 12-4.52 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.52 new)

7 Sec. 12-4.52. Prescriber education.

8 (a) The Department of Human Services shall develop in
9 collaboration with an academic institution a program designed
10 to provide prescribing physicians under the medical assistance
11 program with an evidence-based, non-commercial source of the
12 latest objective information about pharmaceuticals.
13 Information shall be presented to prescribing physicians by
14 specially trained pharmacists, nurses, or other health
15 professionals to assist prescribing physicians in making
16 appropriate therapeutic recommendations.

17 (b) The prescriber education program shall consist of 2
18 components: a web-based curriculum and an academic educator
19 outreach. The program shall contract with clinical pharmacists
20 to provide scheduled visits with prescribing physicians to
21 update them on the latest research concerning medication usage
22 and new updates on disease states in an unbiased manner.

23 (c) Education provided under the prescriber education

1 program shall include, but not be limited to, disease-based
2 educational modules on the treatment of chronic non-cancer
3 pain, diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, respiratory
4 syncytial virus, and nicotine dependence. New modules may be
5 created periodically as needed and existing module content
6 shall be reviewed and updated on an annual or as-needed basis.
7 Educational modules provided under the program shall provide
8 prescribing physicians with continuing medical education
9 credit.

10 (d) Additional resources provided under the prescriber
11 education program shall include, but not be limited to, the
12 following:

13 (1) a drug information response center available to
14 prescribing physicians that provides thorough and timely
15 in-depth answers to any questions a prescribing physician
16 may have within 48 hours after a question is received; and

17 (2) information on drug utilization trends within
18 individual and group practices.