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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410 ILCS 250/3

from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2103

Amends the Developmental Disability Prevention Act. Provides that the standards related to staffing resources, including, but not limited to, medical and nursing resources, that are implemented through rulemaking after September 1, 2011 shall not exceed current, nationally-recognized, evidence-based practices. Provides that all rulemaking shall recognize and adequately address the needs and resources particular to the locality, institution, workforce availability, outcomes, and other variations impacting patient access to care, as reflected in the hospital's letter of agreement with its Administrative Perinatal Center.

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1 AN ACT concerning public health.

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

4 Section 5. The Developmental Disability Prevention Act is
5 amended by changing Section 3 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 250/3) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2103)

7 Sec. 3. By January 1, 1974, the Department, in conjunction
8 with its appropriate advisory planning committee, shall
9 develop standards for all levels of hospital perinatal care to
10 include regional perinatal centers. Such standards shall
11 recognize and correlate with the Hospital Licensing Act
12 approved July 1, 1953, as amended. Standards related to
13 staffing resources, including, but not limited to, medical and
14 nursing resources, that are implemented through rulemaking
15 after September 1, 2011 shall not exceed current,
16 nationally-recognized, evidence-based practices. All
17 rulemaking shall recognize and adequately address the needs and
18 resources particular to the locality, institution, workforce
19 availability, outcomes, and other variations impacting patient
20 access to care, as reflected in the hospital's letter of
21 agreement with its Administrative Perinatal Center. The
22 standards shall assure that:

23 (a) facilities are equipped and prepared to stabilize

1 infants prior to transport;

2 (b) coordination exists between general maternity care and
3 perinatal centers;

4 (c) unexpected complications during delivery can be
5 properly managed;

6 (d) all high risk pregnancies and childbirths are reviewed
7 at each hospital or maternity center to determine if such
8 children are born with a handicapping condition or
9 developmental disability that threatens life or development;

10 (e) procedures are implemented to identify and report to
11 the Department all births of children with handicapping
12 conditions or developmental disabilities that threaten life or
13 development;

14 (f) children identified as having a handicapping condition
15 or developmental disability that threatens life or development
16 are promptly evaluated in consultation with designated
17 regional perinatal centers and referred, when appropriate, to
18 such centers, or to other medical specialty services, as
19 approved by the Department and in accordance with the level of
20 perinatal care authorized for each hospital or maternity care
21 center for the proper management and treatment of such
22 condition or disability;

23 (g) hospital or maternity centers conduct postnatal
24 reviews of all perinatal deaths as well as reviews of the
25 births of children born with handicapping conditions or
26 developmental disabilities that threaten life or development,

1 utilizing criteria of case selection developed by such
2 hospitals or maternity centers, or the appropriate medical
3 staff committees thereof, in order to determine the
4 appropriateness of diagnosis and treatment and the adequacy of
5 procedures to prevent such disabilities or the loss of life;

6 (h) high risk mothers and their spouses are provided
7 information, referral and counseling services to ensure
8 informed consent to the treatment of children born with
9 handicapping conditions or developmental disabilities;

10 (i) parents and families are provided information,
11 referral and counseling services to assist in obtaining
12 habilitation, rehabilitation and special education services
13 for children born with handicapping conditions or
14 developmental disabilities, so that such children have an
15 opportunity to realize full potential. Such standards shall
16 include, but not be limited to, the establishment of procedures
17 for notification of the appropriate State and local educational
18 service agencies regarding children who may require evaluation
19 and assessment under such agencies;

20 (j) consultation when indicated is provided for and
21 available. Perinatal centers shall provide care for the high
22 risk expectant mother who may deliver a distressed or disabled
23 infant. Such centers shall also provide intensive care to the
24 high risk newborn whose life or physical well-being is in
25 jeopardy. Standards shall include the availability of: 1
26 trained personnel; 2 trained neonatal nursing staff; 3 x-ray

1 and laboratory equipment available on a 24-hour basis; 4 infant
2 monitoring equipment; 5 transportation of mothers and/or
3 infants; 6 genetic services; 7 surgical and cardiology
4 consultation; and 8 other support services as may be required.

5 The standards under this Section shall be established by
6 rules and regulations of the Department. Such standards shall
7 be deemed sufficient for the purposes of this Act if they
8 require the perinatal care facilities to submit plans or enter
9 into agreements with the Department which adequately address
10 the requirements of paragraphs (a) through (j) above.

11 (Source: P.A. 84-1308.)