

AN ACT concerning health.

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

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Diabetes Initiative Act.

Section 5. Diabetes initiative.

(a) The Department of Human Services shall develop a strategic plan to slow the rate of diabetes as a result of obesity and other environmental factors by the year 2010. The Department shall collaborate with the Illinois State Diabetes Commission and may convene work groups as necessary that may include:

- (1) health care professionals and researchers specializing in diabetes treatment or research;
- (2) diabetes educators;
- (3) representatives of medical schools or schools of public health;
- (4) high school or college health educators;
- (5) representatives from geographic areas or other population groups at higher risk of diabetes;
- (6) representatives of community-based organizations involved in providing education, awareness, or support about diabetes; or

(7) other representatives the Department determines are necessary.

(b) In developing the plan, the Department shall:

(1) identify barriers to effective screening compliance and treatment for diabetes, including specific barriers affecting providers and patients;

(2) identify methods to increase the number of beneficiaries who will screen regularly for diabetes;

(3) review current medical therapies and best clinical practices for diabetes, including the American Diabetes Association clinical measures and recommendations, including the importance of Body Mass Index as a key factor to managing diabetes;

(4) review drugs and biologicals available to control diabetes, including those that are provided upon failure of oral medications and as ancillary to the provision of insulin;

(5) review current screening, treatment, and related activities in this State and identify gaps in service delivery, use of technology, or use of current clinical measures and guidelines, such as those promulgated by the American Diabetes Association;

(6) identify actions to be taken to reduce the morbidity and mortality from diabetes by the year 2010 and a time line for taking those actions; and

(7) make recommendations to the General Assembly on

policy changes and funding needed to achieve the strategic plan.

(c) The Department shall deliver the plan to the Governor and to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2008.

Section 10. Expiration. This Act is repealed on January 1, 2010.

Section 15. The Illinois State Diabetes Commission Act is amended by changing Sections 5 and 10 as follows:

(20 ILCS 4055/5)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 5. Illinois State Diabetes Commission. There is hereby established within the Department of Human Services the Illinois State Diabetes Commission. The Commission shall consist of members that are residents of this State and shall include an Executive Committee appointed by the Secretary of Human Services ~~as provided by rule~~. The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Secretary of Human Services as follows:

(1) The Secretary of Human Services or the Secretary's designee, who shall serve as chairperson of the Commission.

(2) Physicians who are board certified in endocrinology, with at least one physician with expertise and experience in the treatment of childhood diabetes and

at least one physician with expertise and experience in the treatment of adult onset diabetes.

(3) Health care professionals with expertise and experience in the prevention, treatment, and control of diabetes.

(4) Representatives of organizations or groups that advocate on behalf of persons suffering from diabetes.

(5) Representatives of voluntary health organizations or advocacy groups with an interest in the prevention, treatment, and control of diabetes.

(6) Members of the public who have been diagnosed with diabetes.

The Secretary of Human Services may appoint additional members deemed necessary and appropriate by the Secretary.

(Source: P.A. 94-788, eff. 11-1-06.)

(20 ILCS 4055/10)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

Sec. 10. Members; meetings. Members of the Commission shall be appointed within one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly ~~by December 1, 2006~~. A member shall continue to serve until his or her successor is duly appointed and qualified.

Meetings shall be held 3 times per year or at the call of the Commission chairperson.

(Source: P.A. 94-788, eff. 11-1-06.)

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