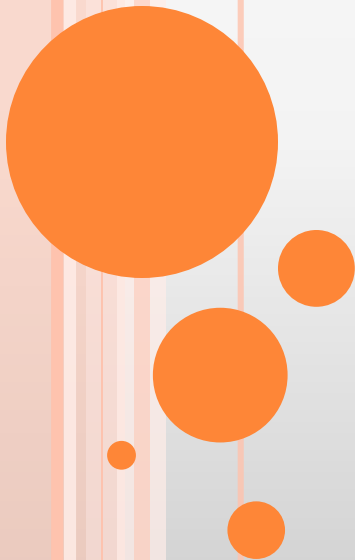


PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOMES

Senate Bill 6 Overview

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HISTORY

- No legislation to date
- Previous efforts unsuccessful, most recently in 2013
- 2013 effort set stage for 2015 success

THE OPPORTUNITY IN 2015

Enact PCMH legislation:

- To protect and benefit consumers
- To begin transformation of health care through the PCMH model and triple aim of improved health outcomes, a better patient experience, and lower health care costs

STAKEHOLDERS

- Primary care providers
- Insurers
- State agencies/regulators
- Legislature
- Governor
- Consumers

SENATE BILL 6

- What was accomplished:
 - Defines PCMH in NRS
 - Deeming process for state PCMH recognition
 - A public resource for consumers
 - Protects insurers and PCMH from unfair/deceptive trade practices
 - Authorizes an advisory group of stakeholders and allows for statewide assessment of PCMH model

SENATE BILL 6

What was enacted: PCMH defined in NRS

“A patient-centered medical home means a primary care practice that: 1) offers patient-centered, continuous, culturally-competent, evidenced based, comprehensive health care that is led by a primary care provider and a team of health care providers, coordinates the health care needs of the patient, and uses enhanced communications strategies and health information technology; and, 2) Emphasizes enhanced access to practitioners and preventive care to improve the outcomes for and experiences of patients and lower the costs of health services.”

SENATE BILL 6

What was enacted: A deeming process for state PCMH recognition

“A primary care practice shall not represent itself as a patient-centered medical home unless the primary care practice is certified, accredited or otherwise officially recognized as a patient-centered medical home by a nationally recognized organization for the accrediting of patient-centered medical homes.”

SENATE BILL 6

What was enacted: Consumer access to state PCMH practices/info through DHHS

“The Department shall post on an Internet website maintained by the Department links to nationally recognized organizations for the accrediting of patient-centered medical homes and any other information specified by the Department to allow patients to find a patient-centered medical home that meets the requirements of this section and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.”

SENATE BILL 6

What was enacted: Protection from unfair/deceptive trade practices

“Any coordination between an insurer and a patient-centered medical home or acceptance of an incentive from an insurer by a patient-centered medical home that is authorized by federal law shall not be deemed to be an unfair method of competition or an unfair or deceptive trade practice or other act or practice prohibited by the provisions of chapter 598 or 686A of NRS.”

SENATE BILL 6

What was enacted: A stakeholders advisory group, under the Advisory Council on Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease

(Legislative Counsel's Digest) *“Existing law creates the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease and authorizes the Advisory Council to appoint committees or subcommittees to study issues relating to wellness and the prevention of chronic disease. (NRS 439.518, 439.519) Section 20.1 of this bill authorizes the Advisory Council to establish an advisory group of interested persons and governmental entities to study the delivery of health care through patient-centered medical homes.”*

SENATE BILL 6

(Bill language, added (c) to NRS 439.519(3): A majority of the voting members of the Council may:

(c) Establish an advisory group of interested persons and governmental entities to study the delivery of health care through patient-centered medical homes. Interested persons and governmental entities that serve on the advisory group may include, without limitation: (1) public health agencies; (2) public and private insurers; (3) providers of primary care, including, without limitation, physicians and advanced practice registered nurses who provide primary care; and, (4) recipients of health care services.”

THANK YOU

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