

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA
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LEGISLATIVE BILL 64

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to adopt the
- 2 Adrenal Insufficiency Diagnosis Information and Support Act.
- 3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Sections 1 to 3 of this act shall be known and may be
2 cited as the Adrenal Insufficiency Diagnosis Information and Support Act.

3 Sec. 2. For purposes of the Adrenal Insufficiency Diagnosis
4 Information and Support Act:

5 (1) Adrenal insufficiency means an endocrine disorder of the human
6 body that occurs when the adrenal glands do not produce enough adrenal
7 hormones, including, but not limited to, cortisol, aldosterone, and
8 dehydroepiandrosterone;

9 (2) Adrenal insufficiency support organization means any national,
10 state, or local nonprofit organization primarily involved in providing
11 advocacy, support, and education to individuals with adrenal
12 insufficiency;

13 (3) Department means the Division of Public Health of the Department
14 of Health and Human Services; and

15 (4) Health care practitioner means any person who is credentialed
16 under the Uniform Credentialing Act to provide health or medical care in
17 the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession.

18 Sec. 3. (1) The department shall make the following information
19 available:

20 (a) Up-to-date information about adrenal insufficiency that has been
21 reviewed by medical experts and adrenal insufficiency support
22 organizations. The information shall be provided in a written format and
23 shall include the following:

24 (i) A clinical course description, including possible physical,
25 developmental, educational, and psychosocial outcomes;

26 (ii) Treatment and therapy options; and

27 (iii) Life expectancy; and

28 (b) Contact information for adrenal insufficiency support
29 organizations, including first-call programs and information hotlines
30 specific to adrenal insufficiency, resource centers or clearinghouses,
31 and other education and support programs for adrenal insufficiency.

1 (2) The department shall post the information required in subsection
2 (1) of this section on its web site and shall include an information
3 support sheet to be delivered by health care practitioners to patients
4 diagnosed with adrenal insufficiency. The department shall also
5 distribute printed copies of the information support sheet to health care
6 practitioners, hospitals, and health clinics and make the information
7 support sheet available to persons requesting it.

8 (3) The department shall ensure that the information required in
9 subsection (1) of this section is culturally and linguistically
10 appropriate for patients diagnosed with adrenal insufficiency.

11 (4) An adrenal insufficiency support organization may request that
12 the department include the organization's informational material and
13 contact information on the web site. The department may add the
14 information to the web site upon request.