

AN ACT

To enact sections 3701.90, 3701.901, 3701.902, 3701.903, 3701.904, 3701.905, 3701.906, and 3701.907 of the Revised Code to create the Council on Stroke Prevention and Education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That sections 3701.90, 3701.901, 3701.902, 3701.903, 3701.904, 3701.905, 3701.906, and 3701.907 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 3701.90. There is hereby created in the department of health the council on stroke prevention and education. The department shall, to the extent funds are available, provide office space and staff assistance for the council.

Sec. 3701.901. (A) The membership of the council on stroke prevention and education shall consist of one representative of each of the following:

- (1) Brain injury association of Ohio;
- (2) Ohio academy of family physicians;
- (3) American college of emergency physicians Ohio chapter;
- (4) Ohio chapter of the American college of cardiology;
- (5) Ohio state neurosurgical society;
- (6) Ohio heart and vascular research foundation;
- (7) Ohio geriatrics society;
- (8) Ohio nurses association;
- (9) Ohio association of rehabilitation facilities;
- (10) Ohio hospital association;
- (11) Northeast Ohio stroke association;
- (12) American heart association Ohio valley affiliate;
- (13) American association of retired persons Ohio office;
- (14) Ohio department of health;
- (15) Ohio commission on minority health;
- (16) Ohio state medical association;
- (17) Ohio osteopathic association;
- (18) Ohio physical therapy association;

(19) A university research facility in Ohio specializing in biotechnology;

(20) A health insuring corporation, as defined in section 1751.01 of the Revised Code;

(21) a small employer, as defined in section 3924.01 of the Revised Code;

(22) An employer that provides health benefits to its employees through a self-insurance program, as defined in section 3959.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The director of health shall appoint the members of the council. The director shall request from each entity listed in division (A) of this section a list of three persons qualified to serve as members of the council. In making appointments to the council, the director shall select one member from the list submitted by each entity. If the director does not receive a list from an entity not later than sixty days after making a request, the director shall appoint a member to serve as the representative of that entity. The director shall appoint as members of the council no fewer than six persons who are authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.

(C) The director of health shall appoint the chair and vice-chair of the council from among its members.

Sec. 3701.902. Members of the council on stroke prevention and education shall serve without compensation, but shall, to the extent funds are available, be reimbursed by the department of health for the actual and necessary expenses they incur in the performance of their official duties. A member may serve until a replacement is appointed by the director of health. Replacement members shall be appointed in the same manner as the initial members.

Sec. 3701.903. (A) The council on stroke prevention and education shall, to the extent funds are available, do all of the following:

(1) Develop and implement a comprehensive statewide public education program on stroke prevention, targeted to high-risk populations and to geographic areas where there is a high incidence of stroke, including information developed or compiled by the council on all of the following:

(a) Healthy lifestyle practices that reduce the risk of stroke;

(b) Signs and symptoms of stroke and action to be taken when signs occur;

(c) Determinants of high-quality health care for stroke;

(d) Other information the council considers appropriate for inclusion in the public education program.

(2) Develop or compile for primary care physicians recommendations that address risk factors for stroke, appropriate screening for risk factors, early signs of stroke, and treatment strategies;

(3) Develop or compile for physicians and emergency health care providers recommendations on the initial treatment of stroke;

(4) Develop or compile for physicians and other health care providers recommendations on the long-term treatment of stroke;

(5) Develop or compile for physicians, long-term care providers, and rehabilitation providers recommendations on rehabilitation of stroke patients;

(6) Take other actions consistent with the purpose of the council to ensure that the public and health care providers are informed with regard to the most effective treatment strategies for stroke prevention and treatment.

(B) The council may use information developed or made available by other public or private entities to meet the requirements of division (A) of this section.

(C) The department of health shall make information developed or compiled by the council available to the public and disseminate to the appropriate persons the recommendations developed or compiled by the council.

Sec. 3701.904. (A) the council on stroke prevention and education shall meet at the call of the chair to conduct its official business.

(B) A majority of the voting members of the council constitutes a quorum. The council may take action only by affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum.

Sec. 3701.905. The council on stroke prevention and education shall, to the extent funds are available, prepare a report describing the actions the council has taken under section 3701.903 of the Revised Code. The report may include recommendations as the council deems appropriate. The council shall submit the report to the governor, the director of health, the president and minority leader of the senate, and the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives not later than June 1, 2002.

Sec. 3701.906. After the issuance of the report required by section 3701.905 of the Revised Code, the Council shall meet at least once annually, at the call of the chair, to review and make amendments as necessary to the recommendations developed or compiled by the council under division (A) of section 3701.903 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3701.907. The council on stroke prevention and education is exempt from the requirements of section 101.84 of the Revised Code.

Speaker _____ of the House of Representatives.

President _____ of the Senate.

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

Governor.

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Director, Legislative Service Commission.

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Secretary of State.

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