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A BILL

To amend sections 3727.11, 3727.12, 3727.13, and 1
3727.14 and to enact section 3727.131 of the 2
Revised Code regarding the collection of stroke 3
care data and the recognition of thrombectomy- 4
capable stroke centers. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3727.11, 3727.12, 3727.13, and 6
3727.14 be amended and section 3727.131 of the Revised Code be 7
enacted to read as follows: 8

Sec. 3727.11. A hospital shall not represent itself as a 9
comprehensive stroke center, thrombectomy-capable stroke center, 10
primary stroke center, or acute stroke ready hospital unless it 11
is recognized as such by the department of health under section 12
3727.13 of the Revised Code. 13

This section does not prohibit a hospital from 14
representing itself as having a relationship or affiliation with 15
a hospital recognized by the department of health under section 16
3727.13 of the Revised Code or a hospital in another state that 17

is certified as a comprehensive stroke center, thrombectomy- 18
capable stroke center, primary stroke center, or acute stroke 19
ready hospital by an accrediting organization approved by the 20
federal centers for medicare and medicaid services. 21

Sec. 3727.12. (A) A person or government entity seeking 22
recognition of a hospital as a comprehensive stroke center, 23
thrombectomy-capable stroke center, primary stroke center, or 24
acute stroke ready hospital by the department of health under 25
section 3727.13 of the Revised Code shall file with the 26
department an application for recognition. The application shall 27
be submitted in the manner prescribed by the department. 28

(B) (1) To be eligible for recognition as a comprehensive 29
stroke center under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code, a 30
hospital must be certified as a comprehensive stroke center by 31
an accrediting organization approved by the federal centers for 32
medicare and medicaid services or an organization acceptable to 33
the department under division (C) of this section. 34

(2) To be eligible for recognition as a thrombectomy- 35
capable stroke center under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code, 36
a hospital must be certified as a thrombectomy-capable stroke 37
center by an accrediting organization approved by the federal 38
centers for medicare and medicaid services or an organization 39
acceptable to the department under division (C) of this section. 40

(3) To be eligible for recognition as a primary stroke 41
center under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code, a hospital 42
must be certified as a primary stroke center by an accrediting 43
organization approved by the federal centers for medicare and 44
medicaid services or an organization acceptable to the 45
department under division (C) of this section. 46

~~(3)~~(4) To be eligible for recognition as an acute stroke ready hospital under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code, a hospital must be certified as an acute stroke ready hospital by an accrediting organization approved by the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services or an organization acceptable to the department under division (C) of this section.

(C) For purposes of division (B) of this section, to be acceptable to the department an organization must certify comprehensive stroke centers, thrombectomy-capable stroke centers, primary stroke centers, or acute stroke ready hospitals in accordance with nationally recognized certification guidelines.

Sec. 3727.13. (A) (1) The department of health shall recognize as a comprehensive stroke center a hospital that satisfies the requirements of division (B) (1) of section 3727.12 of the Revised Code and submits a complete application.

~~(2)(a)~~(2) The department shall recognize as a thrombectomy-capable stroke center a hospital that satisfies the requirements of division (B) (2) of section 3727.12 of the Revised Code and submits a complete application.

(3)(a) The department shall recognize as a primary stroke center a hospital that satisfies the requirements of division ~~(B)(2)~~(B)(3) of section 3727.12 of the Revised Code and submits a complete application.

(b) If a hospital satisfying the requirements of division ~~(B)(2)~~(B)(3) of section 3727.12 of the Revised Code has attained supplementary levels of stroke care distinction as identified by an accrediting organization approved by the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services or an

organization accepted by the department under section 3727.12 of 76
the Revised Code, including by offering patients mechanical 77
endovascular therapy, the department shall include that 78
distinction in its recognition. 79

~~(3)~~(4) The department shall recognize as an acute stroke 80
ready hospital a hospital that satisfies the requirements of 81
division ~~(B) (3)~~(B) (4) of section 3727.12 of the Revised Code 82
and submits a complete application. 83

(B) The department shall end its recognition of a hospital 84
made under division (A) of this section if the accrediting 85
organization described in division (B) of section 3727.12 of the 86
Revised Code that certified the hospital revokes, rescinds, or 87
otherwise terminates the hospital's certification with that 88
organization or the certification expires. 89

(C) Not later than the first day of January and July each 90
year, the department shall compile and send a list of hospitals 91
recognized under division (A) of this section to the medical 92
director and cooperating physician advisory board of each 93
emergency medical service organization, as defined in section 94
4765.01 of the Revised Code. The department also shall maintain 95
a comprehensive list of recognized hospitals on its internet web 96
site and update the list not later than thirty days after a 97
hospital is recognized under division (A) of this section or its 98
recognition ends under division (B) of this section. 99

Sec. 3727.131. (A) (1) In an effort to improve the quality 100
of care for patients affected by stroke, the department of 101
health shall establish and maintain a process for the 102
collection, transmission, compilation, and oversight of data 103
related to stroke care. Such data shall be collected, 104
transmitted, compiled, and overseen in a manner prescribed by 105

the director of health. 106

As part of the process and except as provided in division 107
(A)(2) of this section, the department shall establish or 108
utilize a stroke registry database to store information, 109
statistics, and other data on stroke care, including 110
information, statistics, and data that align with nationally 111
recognized treatment guidelines and performance measures. 112

(2) If the department established or utilized, prior to 113
the effective date of this section, a stroke registry database 114
that meets the requirements of this section, then both of the 115
following apply: 116

(a) Division (A)(1) of this section shall not be construed 117
to require the department to establish or utilize another such 118
database. 119

(b) The department shall maintain both the process and 120
stroke registry database described in this section, including in 121
the event federal moneys are no longer available to support the 122
process or database. 123

(B) Not later than six months after the effective date of 124
this section, the director of health shall adopt rules as 125
necessary to implement this section, including rules specifying 126
all of the following: 127

(1) The information, statistics, and other data to be 128
collected, which shall do both of the following: 129

(a) Align with stroke consensus metrics developed and 130
approved by both of the following: 131

(i) The United States centers for disease control and 132
prevention; 133

(ii) Accreditation organizations that are approved by the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services and that certify stroke centers. 134
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(b) Include at a minimum both of the following: 137

(i) Data that is consistent with nationally recognized treatment guidelines for patients with confirmed stroke; 138
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(ii) In the case of mechanical endovascular thrombectomy, data regarding the treatment's processes, complications, and outcomes, including data required by national certifying organizations. 140
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(2) The manner in which the information, statistics, and other data are to be collected; 144
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(3) The manner in which the information, statistics, and other data are to be transmitted for inclusion in the stroke registry database. 146
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(C) When adopting rules as described in division (B) of this section, all of the following apply: 149
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(1) The director of health shall do all of the following: 151

(a) Consider nationally recognized stroke care performance measures; 152
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(b) Designate an electronic platform for the collection and transmission of data. 154
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When designating the platform, the director shall consider nationally recognized stroke data platforms. 156
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(c) In an effort to avoid duplication and redundancy, coordinate, to every extent possible, with hospitals recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code and 158
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national voluntary health organizations involved in stroke 161
quality improvement. 162

(2) The director of health may specify that, of the 163
information, statistics, or other data that is collected, only 164
samples are to be transmitted for inclusion in the stroke 165
registry database. 166

(3) The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 167
119. of the Revised Code. 168

(4) Notwithstanding any provision of section 121.95 of the 169
Revised Code to the contrary, a regulatory restriction contained 170
in a rule adopted under this section is not subject to sections 171
121.95 to 121.953 of the Revised Code. 172

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(2) of this 173
section, each hospital that is recognized by the department 174
under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code as a comprehensive 175
stroke center, thrombectomy-capable stroke center, or primary 176
stroke center shall do both of the following: 177

(a) Collect the information, statistics, and other data 178
specified by the director in rules adopted under division (B) of 179
this section; 180

(b) Transmit the information, statistics, and other data 181
for inclusion in the stroke registry database. 182

A hospital may contract with a third-party organization 183
for the collection and transmission of the information, 184
statistics, and other data. If a hospital contracts with a 185
third-party organization, the organization shall collect and 186
transmit such information, statistics, and other data for 187
inclusion in the stroke registry database. 188

(2) The data described in division (B) (1) (b) (ii) of this section shall be collected and transmitted only by a hospital that is recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code as a thrombectomy-capable stroke center. 189
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(3) In the case of a hospital that is recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code as an acute stroke ready hospital, the collection and transmission of the data described in division (B) of this section is encouraged. 193
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(E) The information, statistics, or other data collected or transmitted as required or encouraged by this section shall not identify or tend to identify any particular patient. 197
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(F) The department may establish an oversight committee to advise and monitor the department in implementing this section and to assist the department in developing short- and long-term goals for the stroke registry database. 200
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If established, the membership of the committee shall consist of individuals with expertise or experience in data collection, data management, or stroke care, including both of the following: 204
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(1) Individuals representing organizations advocating on behalf of those with stroke or cardiovascular conditions; 208
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(2) Individuals representing hospitals recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code. 210
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Sec. 3727.14. If an accrediting organization approved by the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services or an organization that certifies hospitals in accordance with nationally recognized certification guidelines establishes a level of stroke certification that is in addition to the ~~three~~ four levels described in sections 3727.11 to 3727.13 of the 212
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Revised Code, the department of health shall recognize a 218
hospital certified at that additional level. 219

For purposes of this section, the department and a 220
hospital shall comply with sections 3727.11 to 3727.13 of the 221
Revised Code as if the certification and recognition described 222
in this section were one of the ~~three~~four levels described in 223
sections 3727.11 to 3727.13 of the Revised Code. 224

Section 2. That existing sections 3727.11, 3727.12, 225
3727.13, and 3727.14 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 226