

## CHAPTER 150

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**HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING**


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**HOUSE BILL 18-1327**

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also SENATOR(S) Moreno, Lambert, Lundberg, Court, Donovan, Fields, Kefalas, Merrifield.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING THE ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-1-204, **amend** (4) as follows:

**25.5-1-204. Advisory committee to oversee the all-payer health claims database - creation - members - duties - legislative declaration - rules.** (4) (a) The administrator shall seek funding for the creation of the all-payer health claims database and develop a plan for the financial stability of the database. If sufficient funding is received through gifts, grants, and donations on or before January 1, 2012, as determined by the executive director, the administrator shall, in consultation with the advisory committee, create the Colorado all-payer claims database. ~~The Colorado all-payer claims database shall be operational no later than January 1, 2013.~~

(b) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY ANNUALLY APPROPRIATE GENERAL FUND MONEY TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO PAY FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO THE ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 25.5-1-204.5 as follows:

**25.5-1-204.5. All-payer health claims database scholarship grant program - creation - definitions.** (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(a) "ADVISORY COMMITTEE" MEANS THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-1-204.

(b) "GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY" MEANS A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, INCLUDING A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, BUT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

(c) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(2) THERE IS CREATED IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM TO DEFRAY THE COSTS OF NONPROFIT AND GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES IN ACCESSING THE ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE TO CONDUCT RESEARCH.

(3) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(a) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, DEVELOP A GRANT APPLICATION UNDER THE PROGRAM CONSISTENT WITH THE RULES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR;

(b) ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS FROM ANY NONPROFIT OR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY NEEDING ACCESS TO THE ALL-PAYER HEALTH CLAIMS DATABASE TO CONDUCT RESEARCH;

(c) AFTER CONSIDERING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, DETERMINE WHICH GRANT APPLICATIONS TO APPROVE AND THE AMOUNT OF EACH GRANT; AND

(d) DISTRIBUTE APPROVED SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO NONPROFIT OR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES.

(4) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL, FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ADOPT RULES PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 GOVERNING THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING PROCEDURES, CRITERIA, AND STANDARDS FOR AWARDING SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS.

(5) THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL:

(a) CONSULT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GRANT APPLICATION FORM; AND

(b) REVIEW APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS AND RECOMMEND WHICH SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO APPROVE AND THE AMOUNT OF EACH RECOMMENDED GRANT.

**SECTION 3. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2018-19 state fiscal year, \$1,570,395 is appropriated to the department of health care policy and financing for use by the executive director's office. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) \$42,616 for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that

the office will require an additional 0.9 FTE;

- (b) \$2,779 for operating expenses; and
- (c) \$1,525,000 for the all-payer health claims database.

(2) For the 2018-19 state fiscal year, the general assembly anticipates that the department of health care policy and financing will receive \$1,070,395 in federal funds to implement this act, which amount is included for informational purposes only. The appropriation in subsection (1) of this section is based on the assumption that the department will receive this amount of federal funds to be used as follows:

- (a) \$42,616 for personal services;
- (b) \$2,779 for operating expenses; and
- (c) \$1,025,000 for the all-payer health claims database.

**SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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