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A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING PROVIDER IDENTIFICATION TRANSPARENCY IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH-CARE SERVICES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

Beginning January 1, 2025, for services or procedures for which informed consent is required and that are being provided or performed in a licensed health-care facility, the bill requires a health-care provider (provider) providing or performing the service or procedure and the provider obtaining informed consent, if a different provider, to disclose to patients, in writing and through the wearing of a photo identification

badge when in a patient's presence, the following identification information relevant to the service or procedure provided or performed:

- The provider's name;
- The provider's employer and job title;
- The provider's academic degree, credentials, or training; and
- The provider's professional credential issued by the department of regulatory agencies or a professional board or commission.

Willful or repeated failure to comply with this requirement constitutes unprofessional conduct or grounds for discipline under the law governing the provider's professional license, certificate, or registration.

In addition, the bill requires that health-care facilities licensed or certified in this state require that health-care providers comply with the identification and badge requirements.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 12-30-123 as

3 follows:

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12-30-123. Provider identification requirements - informed consent - legislative declaration - short title - definitions. (1) The short title of this section is the "Patient's Right to Provider Identification Act".

- (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:
- 9 (a) PATIENTS ARE FREQUENTLY VULNERABLE WHEN ACCESSING
 10 HEALTH CARE AND ARE OFTEN REQUIRED TO MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT
 11 MEDICAL SERVICES AND PROCEDURES BASED UPON THEIR UNDERSTANDING
 12 OF THE HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER'S EDUCATION, KNOWLEDGE, AND
 13 EXPERTISE; AND
 - (b) THEREFORE, REQUIRING A HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER TO DISCLOSE THE HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER'S NAME, EMPLOYER AND JOB TITLE, EDUCATION, AND PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS WILL HELP ENSURE THAT PATIENTS HAVE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO MEANINGFULLY CONSENT

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1	TO THEIR HEALTH CARE.
2	(3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
3	REQUIRES:
4	(a) "HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER" OR "PROVIDER" MEANS A LICENSEE,
5	REGISTRANT, OR CERTIFICATE HOLDER REGULATED PURSUANT TO
6	ARTICLES 200 to 310 of this title 12.
7	(b) "LICENSED HEALTH-CARE FACILITY" MEANS A HEALTH-CARE
8	FACILITY LICENSED OR CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
9	AND ENVIRONMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-1.5-103 (1)(a).
10	(c) "PATIENT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKING SERVICES AND
11	PROCEDURES FROM A HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER, INCLUDING THE PARENT,
12	LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN OF A PATIENT WHO IS A MINOR UNDER
13	EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR A PATIENT WHO LACKS THE LEGAL CAPACITY
14	TO CONSENT.
15	(4) (a) On or after January 1, 2025, for a service or
16	PROCEDURE THAT IS PROVIDED OR PERFORMED IN A LICENSED
17	HEALTH-CARE FACILITY AND FOR WHICH INFORMED CONSENT IS REQUIRED
18	FROM A PATIENT PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THIS STATE OR FEDERAL LAW,
19	PRIOR TO PROVIDING OR PERFORMING THE SERVICE OR PROCEDURE, THE
20	HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER PROVIDING OR PERFORMING THE SERVICE OR
21	PROCEDURE AND THE PROVIDER OBTAINING INFORMED CONSENT, IF A
22	DIFFERENT PROVIDER, SHALL DISCLOSE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO
23	THE PATIENT, IN WRITING, AND, WHEN IN THE PATIENT'S PRESENCE,
24	THROUGH THE USE OF A PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BADGE:
25	(I) THE PROVIDER'S NAME FOR PROFESSIONAL PURPOSES;
26	(II) THE PROVIDER'S EMPLOYER AND JOB TITLE;
27	(III) THE PROVIDER'S ACADEMIC DEGREE OR OTHER ACADEMIC

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1	CREDENTIAL OR TRAINING RELEVANT TO THE SERVICE OR PROCEDURE
2	PROVIDED OR PERFORMED; AND
3	(IV) THE PROVIDER'S PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIAL, WITHOUT
4	ABBREVIATIONS OR ACRONYMS, THAT IS ISSUED BY:
5	(A) THE REGULATOR AS APPLICABLE, FOR THE PROFESSION OR
6	OCCUPATION THAT IS RELEVANT TO THE SERVICE OR PROCEDURE BEING
7	PROVIDED OR PERFORMED; OR
8	(B) Another credentialing authority if the provider is
9	AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE THE SERVICE OR PROCEDURE IN THIS STATE
10	UNDER THAT CREDENTIAL.
11	(b) THE PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BADGE MUST BE OF SUFFICIENT
12	SIZE TO INCLUDE A PICTURE OF THE PROVIDER IN ADDITION TO THE
13	INFORMATION SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION. A
14	HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER SHALL WEAR THE BADGE DURING ALL PATIENT
15	ENCOUNTERS UNLESS PRECLUDED BY ADOPTED ISOLATION OR
16	STERILIZATION PROTOCOLS.
17	(5) WILLFUL OR REPEATED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE
18	REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION:
19	(a) Constitutes unprofessional conduct or grounds for
20	DISCIPLINE, AS APPLICABLE, UNDER THE ARTICLE OR PART OF THIS TITLE 12
21	THAT REGULATES THE PROVIDER'S HEALTH-CARE PROFESSION; AND
22	(b) Does not create a private right of action.
23	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 25-3-131 as
24	follows:
25	25-3-131. Identification of providers - informed consent -
26	health-care facilities - definitions. (1) As used in this section, unless
2.7	THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

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1	(a) "HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER" OR "PROVIDER" HAS THE MEANING
2	SET FORTH IN SECTION 12-30-123 (3)(a).
3	(b) "PATIENT" HAS THE MEANING SET FORTH IN SECTION 12-30-123
4	(3)(c).
5	(2) A HEALTH-CARE FACILITY LICENSED OR CERTIFIED PURSUANT
6	TO SECTION 25-3-101 SHALL REQUIRE A HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER WHO IS
7	PROVIDING OR PERFORMING A SERVICE OR PROCEDURE FOR WHICH
8	INFORMED CONSENT FROM A PATIENT IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THE
9	LAWS OF THIS STATE OR FEDERAL LAW AND A HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER
10	WHO IS OBTAINING INFORMED CONSENT FROM THE PATIENT, IF A
11	DIFFERENT HEALTH-CARE PROVIDER, TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
12	OF SECTION 12-30-123, CONCERNING PROVIDER DISCLOSURE OF
13	IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION TO A PATIENT.
14	SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
15	takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
16	ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
17	that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
18	of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
19	act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
20	effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
21	November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
22	official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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