

CHAPTER 196

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE "HEALTH CARE CREDENTIALS UNIFORM APPLICATION ACT".

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

SECTION 1. 25-1-108.7 (2), (5), and (9), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

25-1-108.7. Health care credentials uniform application act - legislative declaration - definitions - state board of health rules. (2) ~~The general assembly finds and declares that the current system of requiring health care professionals to complete and file multiple credentialing applications and forms is duplicative and costly to the health care delivery system. The general assembly further finds and declares that the collection of credentials data for the purpose of verifying the qualifications of health care professionals is excessively duplicative and costly. The purpose of the "Health Care Credentials Uniform Application Act" is to make credentialing more efficient, less costly, and less duplicative by making it uniform through the use of a single application form for the collection of core credentials data for use by entities.~~

(5) Upon the effective date of the rule established by the state board of health pursuant to paragraph (e) of subsection (6) of this section, a credentialing entity shall collect core credentials data through the use of the Colorado health care professional credentials application established pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of this section. The form may be submitted electronically or by paper copy. The credentialing entity may require a health care professional to answer only select provisions of the application according to the needs of the entity. Questions that are prohibited by law shall not be included in the request for credentialing data

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by the credentialing entity. ~~Requests for additional credentials data deemed essential by the accrediting body to complete credentialing by a credentialing entity may be requested if the request does not repeat core data collected using the Colorado health care professional credentials application; except that basic identification data may be requested in duplicate.~~

~~(9) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2008. Prior to such repeal, the review committee shall be reviewed as provided for in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S.~~

SECTION 2. 25-1-108.7 (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

25-1-108.7. Health care credentials uniform application act - legislative declaration - definitions - state board of health rules. (6) (h) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, THE REVIEW COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD CONCERNING THE FEASIBILITY OF REQUIRING ALL REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS DATA DEEMED ESSENTIAL BY A CREDENTIALING ENTITY BE UNIFORM AMONG ALL CREDENTIALING COMMITTEES BY JULY 1, 2009. ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2009, THE REVIEW COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD CONCERNING THE FEASIBILITY OF REQUIRING ALL COLORADO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS APPLICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED THROUGH ONLINE ELECTRONIC METHODS AND THAT ALL HEALTH CARE ENTITIES REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION TO USE THE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS APPLICATION BE REQUIRED TO ACCEPT AND PROCESS THE APPLICATION THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS BY JANUARY 1, 2010. IF DETERMINED FEASIBLE BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH BY RULE THE STANDARDS, MEANS, METHODS, AND FORMS NECESSARY TO REQUIRE THE USE OF UNIFORM SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS AND THE SUBMISSION, RECEIPT, AND PROCESSING OF THE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS APPLICATION ELECTRONICALLY.

SECTION 3. Repeal. 2-3-1203 (3) (u) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes, is repealed as follows:

2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees. (3) The following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

(u) July 1, 2008:

(II) ~~The health care credentials application review committee, created in section 25-1-108.7, C.R.S.;~~

SECTION 4. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

SECTION 5. 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.

Approved: May 1, 2008