

CHAPTER 341

EDUCATION - POSTSECONDARY

SENATE BILL 14-211

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AN ACT

CONCERNING AN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE CENTER, 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, **add** part 7 to article 21 of title 23 as follows:

**PART 7
 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE CENTER**

23-21-701. Legislative declaration. TO FOSTER THE HEALTH, WELFARE, AND SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE AND TO FACILITATE THE RESEARCH AND TREATMENT OF ALZHEIMER'S AND RELATED DISEASES, IT IS DECLARED TO BE THE POLICY OF THIS STATE TO ACHIEVE THE MAXIMUM PRACTICAL DEGREE OF CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PERSONS SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S AND RELATED DISEASES.

23-21-702. Definitions. AS USED IN THIS PART 7, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(1) "ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE" MEANS THE NEUROLOGICAL DISORDER IN WHICH THE DEATH OF BRAIN CELLS CAUSES MEMORY LOSS AND COGNITIVE DECLINE.

23-21-703. Center created. THERE IS ESTABLISHED THE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE TREATMENT AND RESEARCH CENTER WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. THE TREATMENT CENTER MUST USE EXISTING FACILITIES AND STAFF

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND MAY ESTABLISH PROGRAMS FOR THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF PERSONS SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AS PROGRAMS ARE NEEDED. THE TREATMENT CENTER MAY ASSIST ON A CONTINUING BASIS THOSE PERSONS WHO REQUIRE CONTINUING TREATMENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE BUT WHO ARE UNABLE TO PAY FOR THE ENTIRE COST OF THE SERVICES DESPITE THE EXISTENCE OF VARIOUS TYPES OF HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL INSURANCE, MEDICARE, MEDICAID, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, AND PRIVATE CHARITABLE ASSISTANCE.

23-21-704. Duties of the school of medicine. (1) THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE SHALL:

(a) DEVELOP STANDARDS FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR CARE AND TREATMENT UNDER THIS PART 7;

(b) ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF PROGRAMS FOR THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF PERSONS SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, INCLUDING HOME CARE AND MEDICAL PROCEDURES DESIGNED TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM CONTROL OVER THE DISEASE;

(c) EXTEND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE TO OBTAIN EFFICACIOUS AGENTS OF CONTROL FOR USE IN HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL FACILITIES AND IN THE HOME;

(d) INSTITUTE AND CARRY ON EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR THE DETECTION OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE IN THE COMMUNITY AND FOR THE COUNSELING OF INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES;

(e) CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR PHYSICIANS, HOSPITALS, COUNTY AND DISTRICT PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES, AND THE PUBLIC CONCERNING THE METHODS OF CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PERSONS SUFFERING FROM THE DISEASE; AND

(f) ESTABLISH RESEARCH PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY INTO THE CAUSES AND THE POSSIBLE CURE OR ALLEVIATION OF THE SUFFERING OF VICTIMS OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE.

SECTION 2. Appropriation. (1) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, to the department of higher education, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$250,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the college opportunity fund program for fee-for-service contracts with state institutions.

(2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated to the department of higher education, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$250,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the regents of the university of Colorado for expenditures related to the implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated funds out of the appropriation made in subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 3. 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: June 5, 2014