

2019 Legislative Session  
Bills being monitored

**HB 5120 AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND THE ALL-PAYER CLAIMS DATABASE.**

To expand mental health parity requirements, require that health carriers report additional data to the Insurance Commissioner concerning mental health parity, require that the commissioner submit an annual report to the General Assembly regarding the commissioner's efforts to ensure mental health parity, and require that the Office of Health Strategy submit an annual report to the General Assembly regarding the all-payer claims database.

**Current Status:** 1/10/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

**HB 5132 AN ACT REQUIRING CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION IN RECOGNIZING SYMPTOMS OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA.**

To require physicians, advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants and nurses to be trained in recognizing symptoms of Alzheimer's disease and dementia.

**Current Status:** 1/10/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 5144 AN ACT REQUIRING PHYSICIANS TO REVIEW A PATIENT'S RECORDS IN THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM PRIOR TO ISSUING A PRESCRIPTION TO SUCH PATIENT.**

To require physicians to check the electronic prescription drug monitoring program prior to writing prescriptions.

**Current Status:** Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 5748 AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER A VACCINE.**

To allow certified medical assistants to administer a vaccine on a person eighteen years of age or older.

**Current Status:** 1/22/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 5859 AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN HEALTH CARRIERS FROM REQUIRING THE USE OF STEP THERAPY FOR COVERED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT ARE PRESCRIBED TO TREAT CANCER.**

To prohibit certain health carriers from requiring the use of step therapy for certain covered prescription drugs that are prescribed to treat cancer.

**Current Status:** Public Hearing to be held on 02/21

**HB 5899 AN ACT UPDATING STATUTES TO REFLECT THE CURRENT SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.**

To update statutes to reflect the current scope of practice of advanced practice registered nurses.

**Current Status:** 1/23/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 5915 AN ACT CONCERNING THE GRANTING OF LIMITED PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY TO NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS TO IMPROVE PATIENT ACCESS TO CARE.**

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**Current Status:** 1/23/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 6531 AN ACT REQUIRING THE REPORTING OF AN OVERDOSE OF AN OPIOID DRUG TO THE PATIENT'S PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.**

To require reporting of an opioid overdose to a patient's primary care physician.

**Current Status:** 1/28/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 6762 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PERSONAL ASSETS OF PHYSICIANS AND ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES IN MALPRACTICE ACTIONS.**

To protect the personal assets of a physician and an advanced practice registered nurse during a medical malpractice action when such persons have complied with the statutory requirements concerning the purchase of professional liability insurance.

**Current Status:** 2/11/2019 Change of Reference, Senate to Committee on Judiciary, 2/11/2019 Change of Reference, House to Committee on Judiciary, 2/8/2019 (PH) Change of Reference Judiciary, 1/29/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 6942 AN ACT CONCERNING A COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND PHYSICIANS.**

To allow for a collaborative relationship between physician assistants and physicians.

**Current Status:** 2/13/2019 (PH) Vote to Hold Until Next Meeting  
1/31/2019 Public Hearing 02/04  
1/30/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**HB 6943 AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES.**

To allow medical assistants to administer vaccines.

**Current Status:**  
2/27/2019 House Calendar Number 20 2/28  
2/27/2019 Reported out of LCO  
2/13/2019 (LCO) Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office  
2/13/2019 (PH) Joint Favorable Substitute  
1/31/2019 Public Hearing 02/04  
1/30/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

**SB 085 AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENTS THROUGH CERTAIN HIGH-DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLANS.**

To require that each health carrier that issues a high-deductible plan directly reimburse each participating provider for the cost of a covered benefit regardless of whether such health carrier has received payment for the deductible due to such health carrier under such plan.

**Current Status:** 1/17/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

**SB 094 AN ACT ALLOWING PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER THE INFLUENZA VACCINE TO CHILDREN TWELVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER.**

To reduce the costs of and expand access to the administration of the influenza vaccine for minors.

**Current Status:**

2/25/2019 Public Hearing

2/15/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

2/14/2019 Drafted by Committee

2/6/2019 (PH) Vote to Draft

1/17/2019 Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health