

(1) ~~UTILIZE AND ALLOCATE~~ IDENTIFYING AVAILABLE FUNDING ~~EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY;~~

(2) ~~CLOSE~~ IDENTIFYING ANY GAPS IN SERVICE DELIVERY BASED ON GENDER, RACE, ETHNICITY, AND POVERTY;

(3) ~~REDUCE~~ REDUCING THE DUPLICATION OF AVAILABLE HEALTH CARE SERVICES; ~~AND~~

(4) ~~REDUCE~~ REDUCING THE FRAGMENTATION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES; ~~AND~~

(5) IDENTIFYING OUTCOME MEASURES TO REDUCE HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES.

(E) BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2004, THE DEPARTMENT AND THE ENTITIES LISTED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL:

(1) (I) EXAMINE CURRENT CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS OFFERED BY HOSPITALS AND PHYSICIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATE THAT ARE FOCUSED ON HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES; AND

(II) EXAMINE CURRENT CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF HEALTH OCCUPATION BOARDS;

(2) DETERMINE THE CONTENT OF A MODEL COURSE OR SEMINAR THAT ADDRESSES HEALTH CARE SERVICES DISPARITIES OF MINORITY POPULATIONS;

(3) ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY OF REQUIRING CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO TAKE THE COURSE OR SEMINAR; AND

(4) IDENTIFY THE OVERSIGHT THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED BY A HEALTH OCCUPATION BOARD IN ORDER TO DETERMINE COMPLIANCE WITH CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES.

(C) ~~THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPLEMENT THE COORDINATED PROGRAM DELIVERY SYSTEM REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (A) AND (B) OF THIS SECTION ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2004.~~

(D) (F) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE SENATE EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE BY SEPTEMBER 30 OF EACH YEAR, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COORDINATED PROGRAM DELIVERY SYSTEM. THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN TO REDUCE HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES.

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(A) ~~A HOSPITAL WITH A CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM SHALL OFFER AND REQUIRE THE HOSPITAL'S MEDICAL STAFF AND HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS TO TAKE A CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION OR CONTINUING EDUCATION UNIT~~