



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT
OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

2015 Legislative Session DCH Related Legislation



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Mission

The mission of the Department of Community Health is to provide access to affordable, quality health care to Georgians through effective planning, purchasing, and oversight.

We are dedicated to A Healthy Georgia.

DCH Related Legislation: Departmental Impact

- **General Agency Related Legislation**
 - **HB 86** (Social services; provide for transfer of the Division of Aging Services to the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency; provisions)
 - **HB 259** (Georgia Business Act; enact)
 - **HB 385** (Health records; determining annual cost adjustment for providing medical records from Office of Planning and Budget to Department of Community Health; move responsibility)
 - **HR 612** (House Study Committee on Fibroids Education and Awareness; create)
 - **SB 138** (Social Services; provide for various reforms regarding the state's child welfare system)



DCH Related Legislation: Departmental Impact

- **Healthcare Facility Regulation Related Legislation**
 - **HB 72** (Crimes and offenses; protection of disabled adults and elder persons; expand and clarify)
 - **HB 183** (Home Care Patient Protection Act; enact)
 - **HR 618** (House Study Committee on Adult Day Services; create)
 - **SB 111** (Continuing Care Providers and Facilities; define certain terms; provide for a provider to offer continuing care at home)



DCH Related Legislation: Departmental Impact

- **State Health Benefit Plan Related Legislation**
 - **HB 409** (Insurance; reimbursement for treatment of burns for skin substitutes utilizing cadaver derived skin tissue or nonhuman xenographic derived skin tissue; provide)
 - **HB 429** (Insurance; no health benefit plan shall restrict coverage for prescribed treatment based upon insured's diagnosis with a terminal condition; provide)
 - **HB 470** (Pharmacy Audit Bill of Rights; Change Certain Provisions)



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- **Medicaid Related Legislation Cont.**
 - **HR 641** (House Study Committee on Children's Mental Health; create)
 - **HR 767** (House Study Committee on Provision of Community Based Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) services, including the NOW/COMP Medicaid Waiver Services; create)
 - **HR 806** (House Study Committee on Life Insurance Consumer Disclosures; create)
 - **SR 560** (Senate Women's Adequate Healthcare Study Committee; create)



Next Steps

- **Conducted a legal and programmatic analysis to determine the full impact of the legislation**
- **Develop and rollout any policy and practice changes to meet new requirements (pending Governor signature)**

