

**Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2017**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
(Representatives Porter, B. Anderson, Hogan, Meier, Nathe, J. Nelson)
(Senators Bowman, Campbell, Erbele, Wanzek)

AN ACT to create and enact a new chapter to title 23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a cardiac ready community grant program; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new chapter to title 23 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Cardiac ready community grant program.

The state department of health shall establish a cardiac ready community grant program. The primary purpose of the program is to support bystander, emergency responder, and community private public partnerships for strengthening community-based capacity for cardiac and stroke emergency response and risk reduction programs throughout the state. The program must build on and may not duplicate existing programs. The department shall award grants on a competitive basis based on criteria established by an advisory committee. To facilitate volume purchasing savings, the department may procure vendor rates and purchases, and grant the acquired elements to community programs.

Cardiac ready community grant program advisory committee - Duties.

1. The state department of health shall establish a cardiac ready community grant program advisory committee with members appointed by the state health officer. The advisory committee shall advise the department in the development of the cardiac ready community grant program and the membership must include a representative of the department, one cardiac ready community member, one representative of the emergency medical services association, one representative of the American heart association, one representative of the cardiac task force, one representative of the stroke task force, one representative of the emergency services advisory committee, one survivor advocate, and the state department of health emergency medical services and trauma medical director.
2. Members of the committee who are not state employees are entitled to mileage and expenses as provided by law for state officers and employees. A state employee who is a member of the committee must receive that employee's regular salary and is entitled to mileage and expenses, to be paid by the employing agency.
3. The state department of health, with the advisory committee's involvement, shall provide assistance to:
 - a. Evaluate programs;
 - b. Promote public awareness of core program elements;
 - c. Facilitate the coordination of program components with the local level;
 - d. Involve state agencies, law enforcement, and local government in the administration and management of the program; and
 - e. Assist the department in screening and implementing the grants.

4. The department may study the implementation of the program and shall recommend legislation the cardiac ready community grant program advisory committee considers appropriate to improve the program.

Gifts, grants, and donations - Continuing appropriation.

The state department of health may accept any gifts, grants, or donations, whether conditional or unconditional. The department or local grantees may contract public or private entities and may expend any available moneys to obtain matching funds for the purposes of this chapter. All moneys received by the state department of health as gifts, grants, or donations under this section are appropriated on a continuing basis to the department's operations fund for the purpose of funding the grant program.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1210.

House Vote: Yeas 90 Nays 0 Absent 4

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 0 Absent 2

Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2017.

Governor

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Secretary of State