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SENATE BILL 198

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT TO PROVIDE FOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CERTIFICATION OF HOSPITALS AS STEMI RECEIVING CENTERS OR STEMI REFERRING CENTERS; PROVIDING FOR RULEMAKING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Public Health Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] CERTIFICATION OF STEMI RECEIVING AND REFERRING CENTERS.--

A. As used in this section:

(1) "STEMI" means ST segment elevation myocardial infarction;

(2) "mission: lifeline STEMI receiving center" means a heart attack receiving center; and

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1 (3) "mission: lifeline STEMI referring
2 center" means a heart attack referring center.

3 B. In accordance with department rules, the
4 department shall certify an acute care hospital as a STEMI
5 receiving center or STEMI referring center if that hospital has
6 been accredited as a mission: lifeline STEMI receiving center
7 or mission: lifeline STEMI referring center by the society for
8 cardiovascular patient care or another nationally recognized
9 organization that provides STEMI receiving or referring
10 accreditation.

11 C. The department shall post information regarding
12 certification on the department's web site.

13 D. If a hospital loses its national accreditation
14 as a STEMI receiving center or STEMI referring center, the
15 secretary shall revoke the hospital's certification.

16 E. The secretary may adopt rules:

17 (1) relating to STEMI certification and
18 revocation of certification by the department; and

19 (2) to assist and encourage STEMI receiving
20 centers to enter into coordinated STEMI care agreements with
21 STEMI referring centers and other health care facilities
22 throughout the state to provide appropriate access to care for
23 acute heart attack patients."