

**SICKLE CELL DISEASE**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Sandra Hollins**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill addresses sickle cell disease among residents of the state.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ requires the Division of Population Health (division) in collaboration with others within the Department of Health and Human Services to review and develop recommendations for improving the surveillance, screening, diagnosis, and treatment of sickle cell disease among residents of the state;

- ▶ requires the division to report the recommendations to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee;

- ▶ establishes a repeal date; and

- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63I-2-226**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 255, 365

29 ENACTS:

30 **26B-7-120**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



32 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

33 Section 1. Section **26B-7-120** is enacted to read:

34 **26B-7-120. Sickle cell disease.**

35 In collaboration with the Medicaid program as defined in Section 26B-3-101, the Drug  
36 Utilization Review Board created in Section 26B-3-302, the Health Data Committee created in  
37 Section 26B-1-413, the Office of Health Disparities Reduction created in Section 26B-7-114,  
38 and others within the department, the Division of Population Health created in Section  
39 26B-1-204 shall:

40 (1) review and develop recommendations for improving the surveillance, screening,  
41 diagnosis, and treatment of sickle cell disease among residents of the state; and

42 (2) report the recommendations to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee  
43 before July 1, 2024.

44 Section 2. Section **63I-2-226** is amended to read:

45 **63I-2-226. Repeal dates: Titles 26 through 26B.**

46 ~~[(1) Subsection 26-2-12.6(3), relating to the report for birth certificate fees, is repealed~~  
47 ~~December 31, 2022.]~~

48 ~~[(2)] (1) Subsection 26-7-8(3) is repealed January 1, 2027.~~

49 ~~[(3)] (2) Section 26-8a-107 is repealed July 1, 2024.~~

50 ~~[(4) Subsection 26-8a-203(3)(a)(i) is repealed January 1, 2023.]~~

51 ~~[(5)] (3) Section 26-8a-211 is repealed July 1, 2023.~~

52 ~~[(6)] (4) In relation to the Air Ambulance Committee, on July 1, 2024, Subsection~~  
53 ~~26-8a-602(1)(a) is amended to read:~~

54 "(a) provide the patient or the patient's representative with the following information  
55 before contacting an air medical transport provider:

56 (i) which health insurers in the state the air medical transport provider contracts with;

57 (ii) if sufficient data is available, the average charge for air medical transport services  
58 for a patient who is uninsured or out of network; and

59 (iii) whether the air medical transport provider balance bills a patient for any charge not  
60 paid by the patient's health insurer; and".

61 [~~(7) Subsection 26-18-2.4(3)(c) is repealed January 1, 2023.~~]

62 [~~(8) Subsection 26-18-411(8), related to reporting on the health coverage improvement  
63 program, is repealed January 1, 2023.~~]

64 [~~(9)~~ (5) Subsection 26-18-420(5), related to reporting on coverage for in vitro  
65 fertilization and genetic testing, is repealed July 1, 2030.

66 [~~(10)~~ (6) In relation to the Air Ambulance Committee, July 1, 2024, Subsection  
67 26-21-32(1)(a) is amended to read:

68 "(a) provide the patient or the patient's representative with the following information  
69 before contacting an air medical transport provider:

70 (i) which health insurers in the state the air medical transport provider contracts with;

71 (ii) if sufficient data is available, the average charge for air medical transport services  
72 for a patient who is uninsured or out of network; and

73 (iii) whether the air medical transport provider balance bills a patient for any charge not  
74 paid by the patient's health insurer; and".

75 [~~(11) Subsection 26-33a-106.1(2)(a) is repealed January 1, 2023.~~]

76 [~~(12)~~ (7) Title 26, Chapter 46, Utah Health Care Workforce Financial Assistance  
77 Program, is repealed July 1, 2027.

78 [~~(13) Subsection 26-61-202(4)(b) is repealed January 1, 2022.~~]

79 [~~(14) Subsection 26-61-202(5) is repealed January 1, 2022.~~]

80 [~~(15)~~ (8) Subsection 26B-1-204(2)(f), relating to the Air Ambulance Committee, is  
81 repealed July 1, 2024.

82 (9) Section 26B-7-120, relating to sickle cell disease, is repealed July 1, 2025.