ACHIEVING BETTER CARE BY MONITORING ALL PRESCRIPTIONS PROGRAM (ABCMAP) ACT - ACCESS TO PRESCRIPTION INFORMATION, EXPIRATION AND MAKING AN EDITORIAL CHANGE

Act of Sep. 30, 2021, P.L. 402, No. 72 C1. 35 Session of 2021 No. 2021-72

HB 1774

AN ACT

Amending the act of October 27, 2014 (P.L.2911, No.191), entitled "An act providing for prescription drug monitoring; creating the ABC-MAP Board; establishing the Achieving Better Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions Program; and providing for unlawful acts and penalties," further providing for access to prescription information and for expiration; and making an editorial change.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The definition of "licensed health care facility" in section 3 of the act of October 27, 2014 (P.L.2911, No.191), known as the Achieving Better Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions Program (ABC-MAP) Act, is amended to read: Section 3. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

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"Licensed health care facility." A health care facility that is licensed under Article X of the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the [Public Welfare] Human Services Code, or the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act.

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Section 2. Section 9(b)(7) of the act, amended February 12, 2020 (P.L.23, No.8), is amended and the subsection is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

Section 9. Access to prescription information.

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(b) Authorized users. -- The following individuals may query the system according to procedures determined by the board and with the following limitations:

(7) Designated Commonwealth personnel and contracted staff who are responsible for the development and evaluation of quality improvement strategies, program integrity initiatives or conducting internal compliance reviews and data reporting for the **following**:

The medical assistance program[,]. (i)

(ii) The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) [,].

(iii) The Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly (PACE) or Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Needs Enhancement Tier (PACENET).

(iv) The Catastrophic Loss Benefits Continuation Fund.

The Workers' Compensation Security Fund. (v) * * *

(14) Personnel from the Department of Labor and Industry engaged in the administration and regulation of medical fee review disputes and utilization review of medical treatment under the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act. * * *

Section 3. Section 39 of the act is amended to read: Section 39. Expiration.

This act shall expire [June 30, 2022] **December 31, 2028**. Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED--The 30th day of September, A.D. 2021.

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