
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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PASHINSKI, JUNE 7, 2021

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, JUNE 7, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 27, 2014 (P.L.2911, No.191),
2 entitled "An act providing for prescription drug monitoring;
3 creating the ABC-MAP Board; establishing the Achieving Better
4 Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions Program; and providing
5 for unlawful acts and penalties," further providing for
6 definitions and for access to prescription information.

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

9 Section 1. Section 3 of the act of October 27, 2014
10 (P.L.2911, No.191), known as the Achieving Better Care by
11 Monitoring All Prescriptions Program (ABC-MAP) Act, is amended
12 by adding definitions to read:

13 Section 3. Definitions.

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

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18 "Insurance administrator." An administrator as defined in

1 section 1002 of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.789, No.285), known
2 as The Insurance Department Act of 1921.

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4 "Licensed insurer." An insurer as defined in 40 Pa.C.S. §
5 9103 (relating to definitions).

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7 "Managed care plan." A managed care plan as defined in
8 section 2102 of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known
9 as The Insurance Company Law of 1921.

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11 Section 2. Section 9(b) of the act is amended by adding a
12 paragraph to read:

13 Section 9. Access to prescription information.

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

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19 (14) Designated personnel of a managed care plan, a
20 licensed insurer or an insurance administrator licensed by
21 the Insurance Department for the purpose of promoting the
22 health, safety and welfare of members or subscribers,
23 including identifying drug diversion, misuse, abuse, fraud or
24 inappropriate prescribing, dispensing, billing or claim
25 submission patterns in accordance with the quality assurance
26 and utilization management programs of the managed care plan,
27 licensed insurer or insurance administrator.

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29 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.