

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled  
 2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the  
 3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the  
 4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative  
 5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,  
 6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or  
 7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or  
 8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative  
 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and  
 10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative  
 11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,  
 12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the  
 13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive  
 14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of  
 15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and  
 16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,  
 17 and commissions; providing for judicial administration; and  
 18 prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation  
 19 of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of  
 20 certain departments, boards and commissions shall be  
 21 determined," in powers and duties of the Department of Health  
 22 and its departmental administrative and advisory boards,  
 23 providing for pelvic floor dysfunction education.

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

26 Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known  
 27 as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding a  
 28 section to read:

1 Section 2126.1. Pelvic Floor Dysfunction Education.--The  
2 Department of Health shall have the power, and its duty shall  
3 be, to:

4 (1) Enter into partnerships with health care providers,  
5 including obstetricians, gynecologists and urologists and  
6 community-based health centers and hospitals to educate  
7 individuals on the symptoms, processes and other issues  
8 surrounding pelvic floor dysfunction and linked or related  
9 conditions.

10 (2) Create informational materials in electronic and  
11 physical form, in coordination with the partners described in  
12 paragraph (1), which may be distributed to or accessed by  
13 individuals who are determined by a health care provider to be  
14 experiencing or will soon be experiencing pelvic floor  
15 dysfunction and linked or related conditions, including  
16 individuals who are postpartum. Informational materials under  
17 this section must include:

18 (i) Symptoms of and treatments for pelvic floor dysfunction  
19 and linked or related conditions.

20 (ii) Symptoms of pelvic floor dysfunction and linked or  
21 related conditions for which an individual would consult a  
22 health care provider.

23 (iii) The biological processes behind pelvic floor  
24 dysfunction and linked or related conditions.

25 (iv) Recommendations for an individual who has given birth  
26 to receive a postpartum pelvic floor assessment.

27 (v) Other information that the Department of Health deems  
28 necessary to prepare and educate individuals regarding pelvic  
29 floor dysfunction and linked or related conditions.

30 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.