

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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CULVER, JUNE 26, 2023

REFERRED TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, JUNE 26, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 29, 2012 (P.L.549, No.54), entitled "An
2 act establishing a Statewide stroke system of care by
3 recognizing primary stroke centers and directing the creation
4 of emergency medical services training and transport
5 protocols; and providing for the powers and duties of the
6 Department of Health," providing for Statewide stroke
7 registry.

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

10 Section 1. The act of May 29, 2012 (P.L.549, No.54), known
11 as the Stroke System of Care Act, is amended by adding a section
12 to read:

13 Section 5.1. Statewide stroke registry.

14 (a) Registry formation.--The department shall maintain and
15 operate a Statewide stroke registry using the American Heart
16 Association's stroke care program's data set platform in effect
17 as of the effective date of this subsection and include
18 information and data on stroke care in this Commonwealth that
19 align with the stroke consensus metrics developed and approved
20 by the American Heart Association in effect as of the effective

1 date of this subsection.

2 (b) Data submission.--On and after January 1, 2024, each
3 comprehensive stroke center, thrombectomy-capable stroke center,
4 primary stroke center and acute stroke-ready hospital shall, on
5 a quarterly basis, submit data to the department concerning
6 stroke care for inclusion in the Statewide stroke registry, as
7 determined by the Secretary of Health. Data under this
8 subsection shall align with the stroke consensus metrics
9 developed and approved by the American Heart Association in
10 effect as of the effective date of this subsection.

11 (c) Data access.--Each comprehensive stroke center,
12 thrombectomy-capable stroke center, primary stroke center and
13 acute stroke-ready hospital shall provide the department access
14 to records, as the department deems necessary, to perform case
15 findings or other quality improvement audits to ensure
16 completeness of reporting and data accuracy consistent with the
17 purposes of this section.

18 (d) Contract and reporting.--The department may enter a
19 contract for the receipt, storage, holding or maintenance of the
20 data or files under department control and management. The
21 department may enter into reciprocal reporting agreements with
22 the appropriate agencies of other states to exchange stroke care
23 data.

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