

CHAPTER 88

AN ACT concerning the Perinatal Risk Assessment form and supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C.30:4D-7y Perinatal Risk Assessment form for certain pregnant women.

1. An obstetrical provider, nurse midwife, or other licensed health care professional, approved as a provider under the Medicaid program established pursuant to P.L.1968, c.413 (C.30:4D-1 et seq.), shall complete the Perinatal Risk Assessment form, as used by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services, for each pregnant Medicaid recipient and for each individual eligible for Emergency Medical Services for Non-Qualified Aliens who receives prenatal care from the provider. The Perinatal Risk Assessment form shall be the uniform document used by all providers and Medicaid managed care plans. The form shall be completed by the provider during the first prenatal visit with the pregnant Medicaid recipient or other eligible individual and updated by the provider in the third trimester of the recipient or other eligible individual.

C.30:4D-7z Submission of form to division.

2. The division shall require providers to submit each Perinatal Risk Assessment form completed pursuant to section 1 of this act to the division, or to a nonprofit entity contracted by the division to process, distribute to appropriate Medicaid managed care plans, and maintain the Perinatal Risk Assessment data. A provider shall not receive authorization for reimbursement for prenatal services provided to a pregnant Medicaid recipient until a Perinatal Risk Assessment form is submitted for that recipient.

C.30:4D-7aa Analysis of data.

3. The division, in collaboration with the Department of Health, Medicaid managed care organizations, and any nonprofit entity contracted by the division to process, distribute, and maintain the Perinatal Risk Assessment data, shall analyze the Perinatal Risk Assessment data in order to identify trends in the risk factors associated with Medicaid recipients and individuals eligible for Emergency Medical Services for Non-Qualified Aliens during pregnancy. Commencing no later than 18 months after the effective date of this act, and annually thereafter, the division shall submit a written report to the Governor, and to the Legislature pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), providing a summary of its findings and any proposals for legislative action needed to improve the maternal outcomes of Medicaid recipients and individuals eligible for Emergency Medical Services for Non-Qualified Aliens.

C.30:4D-7bb Rules, regulations.

4. The Commissioners of Health and Human Services, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

5. This act shall take effect 365 days after the date of enactment.

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