

Introduced by Senator Allen

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 125285.5 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to mental health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1408, as introduced, Allen. Alzheimer's disease: updated guidelines.

Existing law, until January 1, 2018, requires the State Department of Public Health to convene a workgroup to update the 2008 Guidelines for Alzheimer's Disease Management in California to address changes in the health care system. Existing law requires the department to submit a report of the updates and recommendations from the working group to the Legislature on or before March 1, 2017.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 125285.5 of the Health and Safety Code
2 is amended to read:
3 125285.5. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the
4 following:
5 (1) ~~There~~ *It is estimated that there are between an estimated*
6 ~~60,000 to~~ *and* 85,000 people with dementia in California's
7 Coordinated Care Initiative.

1 (2) Average per person Medicaid spending for seniors *who are*
2 *dually eligible for Medicare*~~with~~ *and who have* Alzheimer's
3 *disease and other dementias* is 19 times higher than average per
4 person Medicaid spending for all other seniors.

5 (3) The triple aim of the federal Patient Protection and
6 Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148) and Medicaid
7 expansion is improved population health, better experience of care,
8 and lower per capita health care costs.

9 (4) Dementia care management has been proven, through
10 peer-reviewed, evidence-based research, to achieve all three aims.

11 (b) The State Department of Public Health shall convene a
12 workgroup to update the 2008 Guidelines for Alzheimer's Disease
13 Management in California to address changes in the health care
14 system, including, but not limited to, changes in the federal Patient
15 Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148),
16 Medicaid, and Medicare. In updating the guidelines, the workgroup
17 may draw on evidence-based, peer-reviewed research and lessons
18 learned from demonstration and pilot projects.

19 (c) The workgroup shall consist of members determined by the
20 department. It may include multidisciplinary experts in Alzheimer's
21 disease detection, diagnosis, treatment, and support.

22 (d) The department shall submit a report of the updates and
23 recommendations from the working group to the Legislature on
24 or before March 1, 2017. This report shall be submitted in
25 compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

26 (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2018,
27 and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that
28 is enacted before January 1, 2018, deletes or extends that date.