

HEPATITIS C OUTREACH PILOT PROGRAM

2019 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Steve Eliason

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill creates the Hepatitis C Outreach Pilot Program within the Department of Health.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates the Hepatitis C Outreach Pilot Program;
- ▶ requires the department to make grants to Hepatitis C outreach organizations; and
- ▶ specifies how grant funds may be used.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2020:

- ▶ to the Department of Health – Health Care Assistance, as an ongoing appropriation:
 - from the General Fund, Ongoing, \$300,000.

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63I-1-226, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Third Special Session, Chapter 1

ENACTS:

26-7-10, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **26-7-10** is enacted to read:

26-7-10. Hepatitis C Outreach Pilot Program.

(1) As used in this section, "Hepatitis C outreach organization" means a private nonprofit organization that:

(a) has an established relationship with individuals who are at risk of acquiring acute Hepatitis C;

(b) helps individuals who need Hepatitis C treatment, but who do not qualify for payment of the treatment by the Medicaid program or another health insurer, to obtain treatment;

(c) has the infrastructure necessary for conducting Hepatitis C assessment, testing, and diagnosis, including clinical staff with the training and ability to provide:

(i) specimen collection for Hepatitis C testing;

(ii) clinical assessments;

(iii) consultation regarding blood-borne diseases; and

(iv) case management services for patient support during Hepatitis C treatment; or

(d) has a partnership with a health care facility that can provide clinical follow-up and medical treatment following Hepatitis C rapid antibody testing and confirmatory testing.

(2) There is created within the department the Hepatitis C Outreach Pilot Program.

(3) Before September 1, 2019, the department shall, as funding permits, make grants to Hepatitis C outreach organizations in accordance with criteria established by the department under Subsection (4).

(4) Before July 1, 2019, the department shall make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to:

(a) create application requirements for a grant from the program;

(b) establish criteria for determining:

(i) whether a grant is awarded, including criteria that ensure grants are awarded to areas of the state, including rural areas, that would benefit most from the grant; and

(ii) the amount of a grant; and

(c) specify reporting requirements for the recipient of a grant under this section.

59 (5) Before October 1, 2020, and before October 1 every year thereafter, the department
60 shall submit a report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee and the Social
61 Services Appropriations Subcommittee on the outcomes of the Hepatitis C Outreach Pilot
62 Program.

63 Section 2. Section **63I-1-226** is amended to read:

64 **63I-1-226. Repeal dates, Title 26.**

65 (1) Section **26-1-40** is repealed July 1, 2019.

66 (2) Subsection **26-7-10(5)**, regarding reports to the Legislature, is repealed July 1,
67 2027.

68 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) Title 26, Chapter 9f, Utah Digital Health Service Commission Act, is repealed
69 July 1, 2025.

70 ~~[(3)]~~ (4) Section **26-10-11** is repealed July 1, 2020.

71 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) Subsection **26-18-417(3)** is repealed July 1, 2020.

72 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) Title 26, Chapter 33a, Utah Health Data Authority Act, is repealed July 1,
73 2024.

74 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) Title 26, Chapter 36b, Inpatient Hospital Assessment Act, is repealed July 1,
75 2024.

76 ~~[(7)]~~ (8) Title 26, Chapter 36c, Medicaid Expansion Hospital Assessment Act, is
77 repealed July 1, 2024.

78 ~~[(8)]~~ (9) Title 26, Chapter 36d, Hospital Provider Assessment Act, is repealed July 1,
79 2019.

80 ~~[(9) Title 26, Chapter 56, Hemp Extract Registration Act, is repealed January 1, 2019.]~~

81 (10) Title 26, Chapter 63, Nurse Home Visiting Pay-for-Success Program, is repealed
82 July 1, 2026.

83 Section 3. **Appropriation.**

84 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
85 2019, and ending June 30, 2020. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for
86 fiscal year 2020. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures
87 Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts
88 indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

89 ITEM 1

