

ENROLLED ACT NO. 66, SENATE

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AN ACT relating to public health and hospitals; providing for designation by the department of health of hospitals as centers for heart attack and stroke care as specified; providing designation criteria; granting rulemaking authority; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 35-2-1001 is created to read:

35-2-1001. Designation of heart attack and stroke centers.

(a) The department of health shall establish by rule and regulation the process for recognition and designation of hospitals as:

- (i) Heart attack receiving centers;
- (ii) Heart attack referring centers;
- (iii) Comprehensive stroke centers; and
- (iv) Primary stroke centers.

(b) The designation of hospitals pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall recognize those hospitals that are accredited by the society for cardiovascular patient care, the American heart association, the joint commission on the accreditation of healthcare organizations or another nationally recognized accreditation organization as determined by the department in its rules and regulations.

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(c) The department shall withdraw the designation of a hospital pursuant to subsection (a) of this section if the department determines that the hospital is not in compliance with the requirements of this section or rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this section.

(d) The department shall adopt rules and regulations to enforce this article, which shall include all of the following:

(i) Specific criteria for qualification pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, including identification of accrediting organizations;

(ii) Designation application procedures;

(iii) Procedures for withdrawal of a designation;

(iv) Support for the coordination among designated hospitals for the referral and transfer of patients to facilitate appropriate care for acute heart attack and stroke patients.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2013.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk