

## Harrisburg Update 9-14-2018

### Agency Meetings and Notices

- **Patient Safety Authority**

Tuesday, September 18, 10:00 am, The Conference Center at Central Penn College, 600 Valley Road, Summerdale

Board Meeting

For additional information: 717 346 0469

- **Department of Health**

Thursday, September 20, 10:00 am, DGS Annex Complex, Materials & Testing Laboratory, 81 Lab Lane, Harrisburg

Newborn Screening and Follow-Up Program Technical Advisory Board Meeting

For additional information: 717 783 8143

### PA Bulletin

- **Department of Health**

The Department of Health gives notice that the Health Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, September 18, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 812, Health and Welfare Building, 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, PA to review and approve proposed amendments to the communicable and noncommunicable disease regulations, relating to complete reporting of CD4 T-lymphocyte, viral load and genotyping test results relating to Human Immunodeficiency Virus. For further information regarding the meeting or to obtain a copy of the draft regulations, interested persons should contact Erik Huet, Department of Health, Office of Policy, 8th Floor, Health and Welfare Building, 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, (717) 547-3311.

For additional information: <https://www.pabulletin.com/secure/data/vol48/48-37/1459.html>

- **Department of Human Services**

The Department of Human Services is providing final notice of its funding allocation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2018 disproportionate share hospital payments to qualifying Medical Assistance (MA) enrolled acute care general hospitals that promote access to comprehensive inpatient services for MA eligible persons by providing an adequate supply of health care professionals who have been trained in high volume MA enrolled hospital settings. The Department is not otherwise changing the qualifying criteria or payment methodology for these payments. The Department published notice of its intent to allocate funding for these payments at 48 Pa.B. 3492 (June 9, 2018). The Department received no comments during the 30-day comment period and will implement the change as described in the notice of intent.

*Fiscal Impact*

The FY 2017-2018 impact, as a result of the funding allocation for these payments, is \$54.398 million (\$26.209 million in State general funds and \$28.189 million in Federal funds).

For additional information: <https://www.pabulletin.com/secure/data/vol48/48-37/1460.html>

- **Department of Human Services**

The Department of Human Services is providing final notice of its funding allocation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2018 disproportionate share hospital payments to qualifying hospitals that provide a high volume of services to the Medical Assistance population to promote continued access to inpatient and ancillary outpatient services in this Commonwealth and to support academic medical programs that provide integrated patient-centered medical services. The Department is not otherwise changing the qualifying criteria or payment methodology for these payments. The Department published notice of its intent to allocate funding for these payments at 48 Pa.B. 3171 (May 26, 2018). The Department received no comments during the 30-day comment period and will implement the change as described in the notice of intent.

#### *Fiscal Impact*

The FY 2017-2018 impact, as a result of the funding allocation for these payments, is \$16.634 million (\$8.014 million in State general funds and \$8.620 million in Federal funds).

For additional information: <https://www.pabulletin.com/secure/data/vol48/48-37/1461.html>

#### **PA Department of Health Message Board**

- ***Stroke Center List Update***

The Stroke Center list has been moved from the Division of Acute and Ambulatory Care to EMS. New applications and re-accreditation letters should be sent to EMS effective immediately. Questions regarding a facility's status can be directed to Aaron Rhone [arhone@pa.gov](mailto:arhone@pa.gov)

#### **House 2018 Fall Session Schedule**

- September 24, 25, 26
- October 1 (non-voting), 2 (non-voting), 9, 10, 15, 16, 17
- November 13

#### **Senate 2018 Fall Session Schedule**

- September 24, 25, 26
- October 1, 2, 3, 15, 16, 17
- November 14

#### **Committee Schedule for the Week of September 17**

##### ***House***

- No healthcare-related committee meetings have been scheduled for the week of September 17

##### ***Senate***

- No healthcare-related committee meetings have been scheduled for the week of September 17

#### **Floor Schedule for the Week of September 17**

##### ***House (from the Republican Week Ahead)***

- The House is not scheduled for session the week of September 17

##### ***Senate (from the Senate Calendar)***

- The Senate is not scheduled for session the week of September 17

#### **Legislative Floor Action for the Week of September 10**

##### ***House***

- The House was in non-voting session on September 12 and 13

##### ***Senate***

- The Senate was not in session the week of September 10