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# Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Promote Awareness of Parkinson's Disease

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

**Sec. 1. Education regarding Parkinson's disease.** By January 1, 2009, the Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Disease Control and Prevention shall undertake a comprehensive program of education regarding Parkinson's disease. In designing and implementing the program, the center shall work with the boards of licensure of the health care professions, statewide associations providing health care information and training and the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services within the department. The program must include education for emergency workers and first responders; professional and paraprofessional health care personnel; public safety, law enforcement and correctional personnel; public transportation personnel; and crisis intervention personnel. The program must provide education on Parkinson's disease and responses to crisis situations for persons with Parkinson's disease.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

#### **Bureau of Health 0143**

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for a grant to develop and implement an education program relating to Parkinson's disease.

GENERAL FUND All Other	<b>2007-08</b> \$0	<b>2008-09</b> \$50,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<del></del> \$0	\$50,000

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Disease Control and Prevention to undertake an education initiative regarding Parkinson's disease. The initiative provides training to a wide variety of health care, public service and law enforcement personnel. It also adds an appropriations and allocations section.