# CHAPTER 267

# EXPOSURE TO DIETHYLSTILBESTROL

#### §1651. Identification of exposed persons

For the purpose of identifying persons who have been exposed to the potential hazards and afflictions of diethylstilbestrol and for the purpose of educating the public concerning the symptoms and prevention of associated malignancies, the Commissioner of Health and Human Services shall establish, promote and maintain a public information campaign on diethylstilbestrol. This campaign shall be conducted throughout the State and shall include, but not be limited to, a concerted effort at reaching those persons or the offspring of persons who have been exposed to diethylstilbestrol in order to encourage them to seek medical care for the prevention or treatment of any malignant condition. [PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §7 (REV).]

# SECTION HISTORY

PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW). PL 2003, c. 689, §B7 (REV).

#### §1652. Providers of screening programs

The Commissioner of Health and Human Services shall actively seek providers of health care to participate in regional programs which provide public information and screening for diethylstilbestrol exposed persons. In determining regional screening program providers, the commissioner shall consider the provider's compliance with state and federally mandated standards, the location in relation to the population to be served and the capacity of the provider to properly conduct these programs. [PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §7 (REV).]

# SECTION HISTORY

PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW). PL 2003, c. 689, §B7 (REV).

# §1653. Registry

The Bureau of Health, within the Department of Health and Human Services, shall establish and maintain a registry limited to women who took diethylstilbestrol during pregnancy, and their offspring who were exposed to diethylstilbestrol prenatally, solely for the purpose of follow-up care and treatment of long-term problems associated with diethylstilbestrol exposure. Enrollment in the registry shall be upon a voluntary basis. [PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §6 (REV).]

# SECTION HISTORY

PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW). PL 2003, c. 689, §B6 (REV).

#### §1654. Assistance

The commissioner may request and must receive from any department, division, board, bureau, commission or agency of the State, or of any political subdivision thereof, such assistance and data as will enable the commissioner to properly carry out the commissioner's activities hereunder and effectuate the purposes set forth in this chapter. The commissioner may also enter into any contract for services that the commissioner considers necessary with a private agency or concern upon such terms and conditions as the commissioner considers appropriate. [RR 2021, c. 2, Pt. B, §101 (COR).]

#### SECTION HISTORY

PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW). RR 2021, c. 2, Pt. B, §101 (COR).

§1655. Report

The department shall make an annual report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over human resources matters of its findings and recommendations concerning the effectiveness, impact and benefits derived from the special programs as provided for in this chapter. This report must be delivered on or before February 1st and must contain evaluations of these special programs and recommendations in final draft form of any legislation determined necessary and proper. [PL 1993, c. 685, Pt. B, §3 (AMD).]

# SECTION HISTORY

PL 1979, c. 415, §1 (NEW). PL 1993, c. 685, §B3 (AMD).

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