

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—COMMITTEE
ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
ON HEALTH CARE)

FEBRUARY 6, 2013

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Encourages the Department of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner of Insurance to work with health care providers and insurers to develop a patient-centered medical home model of care. (BDR R-507)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Encouraging the Department of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner of Insurance to work with health care providers and insurers to develop a patient-centered medical home model of care and adopt payment models that allow for its implementation.

1 WHEREAS, The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality of
2 the United States Department of Health and Human Services defines
3 a medical home as a model of the organization of primary care that
4 delivers the core functions of primary health care in a way which
5 emphasizes comprehensive care, a patient-centered approach,
6 coordination of care, accessible services and improvement of quality
7 and safety; and

8 WHEREAS, The National Conference of State Legislatures
9 reports that the patient-centered medical home model aims to
10 improve access to care, increase care coordination and enhance
11 overall quality while simultaneously reducing costs by relying upon
12 a team of health care providers to meet a patient’s health care needs
13 through the integration of all aspects of health care; and

14 WHEREAS, The Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative
15 published a report on November 16, 2010, entitled “Outcomes of



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1 Implementing Patient Centered Medical Home Interventions: A
2 Review of the Evidence from Prospective Evaluation Studies in the
3 United States,” which found that patient-centered medical home
4 models of care provided a significant reduction in costs, the number
5 of inpatient hospital days and the number of emergency room visits
6 for both Medicaid-sponsored and private payer-sponsored
7 implementations of the patient-centered medical home model as
8 well as for implementations of the patient-centered medical home
9 model by integrated delivery systems; and

10 WHEREAS, The Nevada Academy of Family Physicians urges
11 the development of a patient-centered medical home model and the
12 adoption of payment models that allow for the implementation of a
13 patient-centered medical home model of care to improve the health
14 of the citizens of this State; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
16 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 77th Session of
17 the Nevada Legislature hereby encourage the Department of Health
18 and Human Services and the Commissioner of Insurance to work
19 with health care providers and insurers to develop a patient-centered
20 medical home model of care and to adopt payment models that
21 allow for the implementation of this model of care in this State; and
22 be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
24 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Director of the Department
25 of Health and Human Services, the Commissioner of Insurance and
26 the Nevada Academy of Family Physicians.

