

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4—Committee  
on Health and Human Services

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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.

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

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

WHEREAS, The Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative published a report on November 16, 2010, entitled "Outcomes of Implementing Patient Centered Medical Home Interventions: A Review of the Evidence from Prospective Evaluation Studies in the United States," which found that patient-centered medical home models of care provided a significant reduction in costs, the number of inpatient hospital days and the number of emergency room visits for both Medicaid-sponsored and private payer-sponsored implementations of the patient-centered medical home model as well as for implementations of the patient-centered medical home model by integrated delivery systems; and

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

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby encourage 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 to adopt payment models that allow for the implementation of this model of care in this State; and be it further

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

