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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the designation of centers of excellence for the management and treatment of placenta accreta spectrum disorder.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 32, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subchapter G to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER G. CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE FOR MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT OF PLACENTA ACCRETA SPECTRUM DISORDER

Sec. 32.201. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "placenta accreta spectrum disorder" includes placenta accreta, placenta increta, and placenta percreta.

Sec. 32.202. DESIGNATION OF CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE. (a) The department, in consultation with the Texas Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee established under Chapter 34, shall designate as centers of excellence for the management and treatment of placenta accreta spectrum disorder one or more health care entities or programs in this state, including any institution or community hospital with the appropriate resources and personnel, as determined by the department and the review committee.

(b) The executive commissioner, in consultation with the department and the Texas Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee, shall adopt rules necessary for a health care entity or program in this state to be designated as a center of excellence for management and treatment of placenta accreta spectrum disorder.

1 Sec. 32.203. SUBCOMMITTEE. (a) The department, in
2 consultation with the Texas Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review
3 Committee, shall appoint a subcommittee of the review committee to
4 advise the executive commissioner on the adoption of rules under
5 Section 32.202. As part of the subcommittee's duties under this
6 subsection, the subcommittee specifically shall advise the
7 executive commissioner on the criteria necessary for a health care
8 entity or program in this state to be awarded a designation under
9 this subchapter.

10 (b) The subcommittee must consist of individuals with
11 expertise in the management and treatment of placenta accreta
12 spectrum disorder. A majority of the members of the subcommittee
13 must practice in those areas in a health profession in this state.
14 The subcommittee may include national and international experts.

15 Sec. 32.204. PRIORITY CONSIDERATIONS FOR CENTER
16 DESIGNATIONS. The rules adopted under Section 32.202 must
17 prioritize awarding a designation under this subchapter to a health
18 care entity or program that:

19 (1) offers specialized management services for
20 placenta accreta spectrum disorder through a multi-specialty
21 clinical program and an associated hospital that provides advanced
22 neonatal and maternal care in accordance with the hospital's level
23 of care designation assigned under Section [241.182](#);

24 (2) demonstrates a significant commitment to research
25 in and advancing the field of care for placenta accreta spectrum
26 disorder;

27 (3) fosters telemedicine, referral, and transport

1 relationships with rural hospitals in this state; and

2 (4) integrates an advanced placenta accreta spectrum
3 disorder management program with a program that provides
4 appropriate long-term monitoring and follow-up care for patients.

5 Sec. 32.205. REQUIREMENTS FOR CENTER DESIGNATION. The
6 rules adopted under Section 32.202 must ensure that a health care
7 entity or program in this state that receives a center of excellence
8 designation under this subchapter:

9 (1) provides or is affiliated with a hospital that
10 provides advanced neonatal and maternal care in accordance with the
11 hospital's level of care designation assigned under Section
12 [241.182](#);

13 (2) establishes minimum criteria for medical,
14 nursing, ancillary, and support staff, in addition to any other
15 criteria required under Section 32.202;

16 (3) measures short-term and long-term patient
17 diagnostic and therapeutic outcomes; and

18 (4) submits to the department annual reports
19 containing aggregate data on short-term and long-term diagnostic
20 and therapeutic outcomes as requested or required by the department
21 and makes those reports available to the public on the entity's or
22 program's Internet website.

23 SECTION 2. (a) Not later than December 1, 2021, the
24 Department of State Health Services, in consultation with the Texas
25 Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee established
26 under Chapter [34](#), Health and Safety Code, shall appoint members to
27 the subcommittee as required by Section 32.203, Health and Safety

1 Code, as added by this Act.

2 (b) Not later than September 1, 2022, the executive
3 commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall
4 adopt rules as required by Section 32.202, Health and Safety Code,
5 as added by this Act.

6 (c) Not later than September 1, 2022, the Department of
7 State Health Services shall begin awarding designations of centers
8 of excellence as required by Subchapter G, Chapter 32, Health and
9 Safety Code, as added by this Act.

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.