

MRS Resident Conference

Legislative and Regulatory Issues

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Why Get Involved?

I. Background

A. Legislature and Governor on bad terms

i) COVID response

- * Orders, restaurants, schools, social gatherings
- * Lawsuits to curtail Governor's emergency powers
- * Plethora of EO's without legislative input
- * Gubernatorial vetoes

Why Get Involved? (continued)

B. COVID Legislation

- i) Governor's eleven line item vetoes to COVID relief bill
- i) Governor's own version of the bill
- ii) GOP version

C. GOP retaliation

- i) Senate rejecting gubernatorial appointments
- ii) Remarks by SML

Why Get Involved? (continued)

II. Budget FY 2021-2022

A. Governor presents recommendation on February 11, 2021

- i) DHHS Budget 45% of entire state budget – \$28 billion out of \$64 billion
- ii) Graduate Medical Education
- iii) Medicaid over 53% of DHHS Budget
- iv) Bureau of Professional Licensing and State Board of Medicine – LARA
- v) Bureau of Radiologic Safety - DLEO

Why Get Involved? (continued)

III. Scope of Practice

A. Nurses

- i) Nurse Compact legislation
 - * Status

B. Physical Therapists

- i) Interstate PT Compact legislation
 - * Status

Why Get Involved? (continued)

C. Chiropractors

i) History

- * Outcome

D. Specialty Nurses

i) History

- * Outcome

Why Get Involved? (continued)

IV. Prior Authorization Reform

A. “Health Can’t Wait” Coalition – MRS

- i) Last year’s experience
- ii) Opponents

B. Plans for this year

- i) Three bill package

Why Get Involved? (continued)

V. Certificate of Need Reform

A. Rural efforts

i) Supporters – Opponents

B. History

Why Get Involved? (continued)

VI. ACR Annual Capitol Hill Day

A. May 2021

B. Participation is urged to inform Congress on CMS

C. Get to know Washington delegation

Why Get Involved? (continued)

VII. Regulatory

A. Certificate of Need Commission (CON)

- i) Purpose
- ii) Membership
- iii) Authority
- iv) Subcommittee
 - * SACs
- v) Issues

Why Get Involved? (continued)

vi) Standards for:

- * MRI – ongoing
- * CT
- * Pet
- * Met
- * Other

vii) Thresholds

- * Relocation
- * Construction
- * Acquisition
- * Other

Conclusion

A. Get involved!

- i) Lobbyist
- ii) Grassroots involvement
- iii) PAC



Questions?
Comments?

Thank you!

