

1 HOUSE BILL 638

2 **54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH; ALLOWING PATIENT INQUIRY REGARDING
12 THE BONE MARROW REGISTRY; EXPANDING THE PUBLIC EDUCATION OF THE
13 BONE MARROW REGISTRY.
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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 SECTION 1. Section 24-28-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007,
17 Chapter 159, Section 1) is amended to read:

18 "24-28-1. SHORT TITLE.--~~[This act]~~ Chapter 24, Article 28
19 NMSA 1978 may be cited as the "Bone Marrow and Organ Donor
20 Act"."

21 SECTION 2. A new section of the Bone Marrow and Organ
22 Donor Act is enacted to read:

23 "[NEW MATERIAL] PATIENT INQUIRY--BONE MARROW REGISTRY.--
24 Every primary care provider and urgent care physician may
25 inquire of a new patient who is between eighteen and forty-five

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1 years of age on the new patient's intake form as to whether the
2 patient is registered with the bone marrow registry. If the
3 patient states that the patient is not registered with the bone
4 marrow registry, the provider or physician may provide
5 information developed and disseminated by the department of
6 health regarding the bone marrow registry to the patient."

7 SECTION 3. Section 24-28-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007,
8 Chapter 159, Section 2) is amended to read:

9 "24-28-2. PUBLIC EDUCATION.--

10 A. The department of health shall provide
11 information and educational materials to the public regarding
12 bone marrow donation through the national marrow donor program
13 and regarding organ donations. The department shall seek
14 assistance from the national marrow donor program to establish
15 a system to distribute materials, ensure that the materials are
16 updated periodically, fully disclose the risks involved in
17 donating bone marrow and address the education and recruitment
18 of minority populations.

19 B. The information and educational materials shall
20 include information on:

- 21 (1) the need for bone marrow donations;
22 (2) patient populations that would benefit
23 from bone marrow donations;
24 (3) how to join the bone marrow registry; and
25 (4) how to acquire a free buccal swab kit from

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