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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by:
(AGE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PILOT MOBILE CARE INTEGRATION TEAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) The State Ombudsman, in
2 collaboration with the Commissioners of Social Services, Public Health
3 and Mental Health and Addiction Services shall develop and
4 implement a pilot mobile Care Integration Team. The mobile Care
5 Integration Team shall include, but not be limited to, a clinical social
6 worker licensed pursuant to chapter 383b of the general statutes, a
7 registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the general
8 statutes, a psychiatrist licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general
9 statutes and a psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 383 of the
10 general statutes. The mobile Care Integration Team shall work with
11 staff at nursing home facilities, as defined by section 19a-521 of the
12 general statutes, to assist in assessment of residents with challenging
13 behaviors, implement appropriate interventions for such residents and
14 develop appropriate individualized behavioral health care plans for
15 such residents. The mobile Care Integration Team shall also provide
16 educational and training programs to staff at nursing home facilities

17 on dementia and mental illness, and on behavior management
18 techniques that nursing home facility staff can employ in their
19 interactions with residents who have dementia or mental illness.

20 (b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the State Ombudsmen shall
21 report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the
22 status of the development and implementation of the pilot mobile Care
23 Integration Team to the select committee of the General Assembly
24 having cognizance of matters relating to aging, and to the joint
25 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
26 matters relating to human services and public health.

27 (c) For purposes of this section, "challenging behaviors" means
28 behaviors that are of such intensity, duration or frequency that the
29 physical safety of the resident displaying the behavior, other residents
30 or the staff of the nursing home facility is placed in serious jeopardy.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2005	New section

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