TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION 2: HEALTH

§ 2152. Diabetes Care and Treatment Program.

- (a) A diabetes care and treatment program is established under the administration of the Division of Public Health Services to provide a range of diabetes treatment services.
- (b) Upon the effective date of this article, the head of the center shall adopt rules and standards for the operation of the center and the certification of persons with and services for diabetes.
- (c) The center shall work cooperatively and collaboratively with the health professionals within the hospital setting in providing diabetes treatment services, to include intensive diabetes treatment, within the Commonwealth Health Center. Participation in any research treatment program shall be voluntary and is subject to the rules and regulations established by the center. Nothing in this article creates a right of a person with diabetes to treatment.
- (d) The center shall adopt uniform procedures and protocols to maintain and preserve a medical history, physical examination, laboratory examination, management plan, and continuing care for each patient diagnosed with diabetes.
- (e) The center shall initiate longitudinal studies of diabetes in the CNMI and introduce intervention trials to characterize diabetes in the CNMI. A part of these studies will be the development of a database to document and follow patient outcomes.

Source: PL 11-31, § 4, modified.

Commission Comment: In subsection (b) of this section, the words "becoming law" after the word "Upon" has been replaced with the words "the effective date of this article" to comply with standard code language. In the last sentence of subsection (c) of this section, the words "the Bill" after the words "Nothing in" has been replaced with the words "this article" to comply with standard code language.