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State of Illinois

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SB3734

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410 ILCS 50/5.3 new

Amends the Medical Patient Rights Act. Requires the Department of Public Health to develop an expanded informed consent document and expanded informed consent process for all patients scheduled to undergo atherectomy.

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1 AN ACT concerning health.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Medical Patient Rights Act is amended by 5 adding Section 5.3 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 50/5.3 new)

Sec. 5.3. Informed consent for patients undergoing
atherectomy.

9 (a) By October 1, 2024, the Department of Public Health shall develop an expanded informed consent document and 10 expanded informed consent process for all patients scheduled 11 to undergo atherectomy, which is a procedure that involves 12 opening arteries blocked by plaque using a long, narrow tube 13 14 with a sharp blade, laser or rotating device on the end to scrape away, dissolve, or break up plaque without making a 15 16 large incision. The expanded informed consent document and 17 expanded informed consent process shall be completed and shall include, at a minimum, all of the following: 18

19 (1) all informed consent questions required by federal 20 law, including, but not limited to, questions that 21 address:

- 22 (A) the nature of the procedure;
- 23 (B) the risks and benefits of the procedure;

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1	(C) reasonable alternatives to the procedure;
2	(D) the risks and benefits of alternative
3	treatment options; and
4	(E) the patient's understanding of the factors
5	described in subparagraphs (A) through (D).
6	(2) a description of the specific risks and outcomes
7	that are associated with atherectomies and that are
8	identified by the National Institutes of Health,
9	including, but not limited to:
10	(A) the impact that smoking has on the patient's
11	risk of repeated claudication;
12	(B) the impact that smoking will have after
13	claudication;
14	(C) the increased risk that occurs when 2 or more
15	arteries are treated, including, but not limited to, a
16	shorter time to repeat claudication, duration between
17	procedures, or an increased likelihood that a repeat
18	atherectomy or another surgical intervention may be
19	needed;
20	(D) common complications that may result from
21	atherectomy, including, but not limited to, the
22	perforation of an artery, and the likelihood of death
23	after these complications;
24	(E) the impact of atherectomy on long-term health,
25	including, but not limited to, the likelihood of a
26	major adverse limb event, amputation, and repeated

1	atherectomies;
2	(F) the increased likelihood of death, amputation,
3	and repeat atherectomies, based on race or ethnicity;
4	and
5	(G) a description of how Black and hispanic
6	patients have a significantly greater risk of death
7	after amputation, if the atherectomy results in a
8	major amputation.
9	(d) The expanded informed consent process shall require:
10	(1) the informed consent document to be first read and
11	completed directly by the patient;
12	(2) after the informed consent document is read and
13	completed by the patient, a health provider to read each
14	line of the informed consent document to the patient and
15	document the patient's answers;
16	(3) the provider to record any discrepancies between
17	the patient's written answers and the patient's verbal
18	answers as documented by the provider;
19	(4) the provider and the patient to sign the document;
20	(5) the provider to provide copies of the informed
21	consent documents to the patient; and
22	(6) the provider to retain and store a copy of the
23	document in medical records.
24	(e) The informed consent document shall minimally include:
25	(1) one column for patient answers and one column for
26	the provider to record the patient's verbal answers; and

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1	(2) a space to reconcile discrepancies that exist
2	between the patient's written answers and the patient's
3	verbal answers as documented by the provider.
4	(f) Given the significant risks associated with
5	atherectomies, providers shall ask the patient their preferred
6	or native language and all informed consent documents and
7	verbal questions asked by the provider shall be in the
8	language requested by the patient.