



2019 Legislative Highlights

Bills Affecting People Living With Chronic Disease

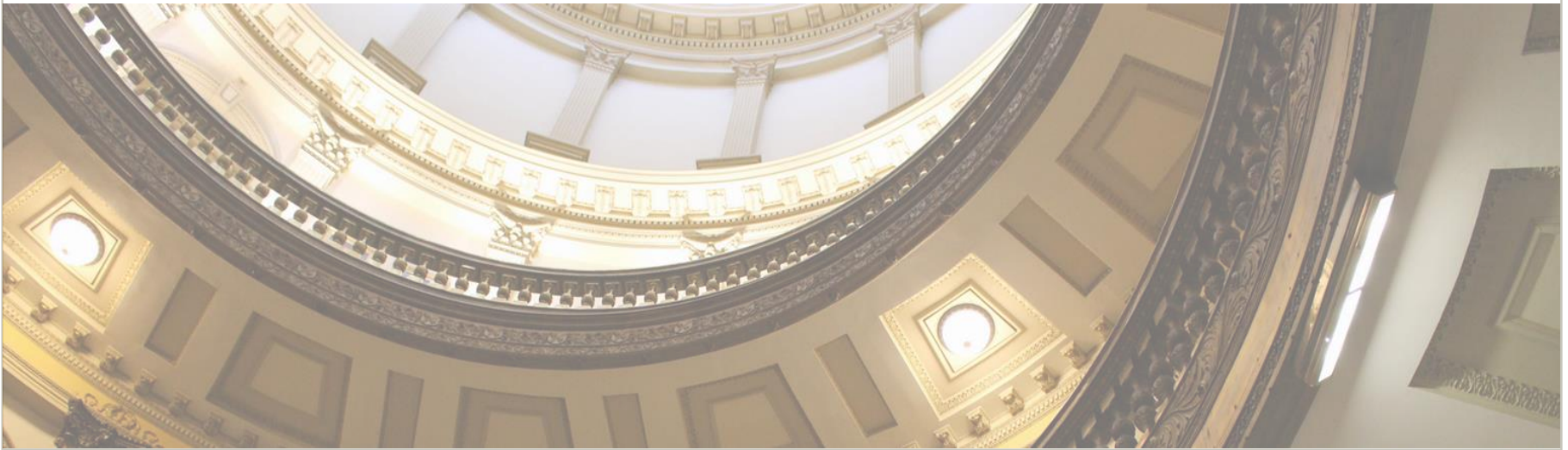
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Roadmap

- 2019 Legislative Overview
- Statewide System of Advance Medical Directives Legislation
- Other Healthcare Legislation
 - Affordability (insurance, providers, prescription drugs)
 - Mental and Behavioral Health
 - Misc.

2019 Legislative Themes

- Democrats in control of both chambers and Governor's office for first time since 2014.
- Polis administration actively engaged in healthcare affordability issues.



Statewide System of Advance Medical Directives



First Regular Session | 72nd General Assembly
Colorado General Assembly

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SB19-073

Statewide System Of Advance Medical Directives

Concerning a statewide system of advance medical directives.

SESSION: 2019 Regular Session

SUBJECTS: Health Care & Health Insurance, Probate, Trusts, & Fiduciaries

BILL SUMMARY

The bill requires the department of public health and environment (department) to create and administer a statewide electronic system (system) that allows qualified individuals to upload and

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Senator
Joann Ginal



Representative
Lois Landgraf

- SB19-073
 - Extensive stakeholder process
 - Bipartisan effort
 - Passed out of first committee 5-0 on Feb. 6

Statewide System of Advance Medical Directives

- Supporters
 - Alzheimer's Association
 - Colorado Consumer Health Initiative
 - Healthier Colorado
 - Colorado Hospital Association
 - Colorado Health Care Association
 - Colorado Nurses Association
 - LeadingAge Colorado
 - Quality Health Network
- No opponents.

Affordability

- Polis Administration creates Office of Saving People Money on Health Care
 - Lt. Gov. Primavera will head up the office.



Affordability: Insurance

- SB19-004
 - Pilot projects aimed at reducing rural healthcare costs
- HB19-1004
 - In-depth study of the possibility of state-run health insurance plan
- HB19-1168
 - Reinsurance

POLITICS · COLORADO POLITICS

Colorado Democrats introduce public option health care as they take control of General Assembly

The first five bills introduced in each chamber largely relate to health care and education costs.



Affordability: Providers

- HB19-1001
 - Hospital price transparency
- HB19-1010
 - Freestanding ED licensure
- HB19-1174 and SB19-134
 - Surprise out-of-network billing



Affordability: Rx Drugs

- SB19-005
 - Import prescription drugs from Canada
- HB19-1131
 - Drug rep inform physician of drug cost
- Other prescription drug price transparency initiatives expected.



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Mental and Behavioral Health

- HB19-1044
 - Advanced behavioral health directives
- SB19-010
 - BH programs in schools
- Substance Use bills
 - SB19-079
 - Electronic Prescribing Controlled Substances
 - HB19-1009
 - Housing vouchers for people in recovery
 - Safe Injection Sites?

Other Bills of Interest

- Family Medical Leave Insurance (anticipated)
- HB19-1077
 - Pharmacists dispense prescription drugs in an emergency
- HB19-1145
 - Protect home from medical liens

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Chronic Disease Day at the Capitol