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sHB-6821

AN ACT CONCERNING CYTOMEGALOVIRUS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which requires healthcare institutions caring for newborn infants to test each newborn for cytomegalovirus (CMV) and requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) to disseminate CMV educational materials to gynecologists, obstetricians, pediatricians, and the Office of Early Childhood by 1/1/24, is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the State or municipalities.

CMV educational materials for both providers and parents are provided on DPH's Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program (EHDI) website, available at <https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Family-Health/EHDI/CMV>. EHDI is responsible for ensuring that all Connecticut-born children ages 0-3 years receive newborn hearing screenings, CMV tests, diagnostic hearing evaluations, Birth-to-Three early intervention services, and family support services to maximize developmental outcomes. In addition to EHDI's webpages, downloads of educational materials are available for free online through the National CMV Foundation's educational download webpage, available at <https://www.nationalcmv.org/resources/educational-downloads>.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

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