State of Wisconsin

2017 Assembly Bill 654

2017 WISCONSIN ACT 296

AN ACT to renumber 256.35 (7); to amend 256.35 (7) (title); and to create 20.435 (1) (cj), 256.35 (2m) and 256.35 (7) (bm) of the statutes; relating to: dispatcher assisted bystander cardiopulmonary resuscitation and making an appropriation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

20.435 Health services, department of
(1) Public health services planning, regulation, and delivery
(cj) Emergency dispatcher cardiopulmonary resuscitation training

SECTION 2. 20.435 (1) (cj) of the statutes is created to read:

20.435 (1) (cj) Emergency dispatcher cardiopulmonary resuscitation training. Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for training public safety answering point dispatchers to provide telephonic assistance on administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation under s. 256.35 (2m).

SECTION 3. 256.35 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

256.35 (2m) Dispatcher assisted bystander cardiopulmonary resuscitation. (a) In this subsection, “department” means the department of health services.

(b) Beginning on the first day of the 37th month that begins after the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date], every public safety answering point shall, in appropriate circumstances, provide telephonic assistance on administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation by doing any of the following:

1. Providing each dispatcher with training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation that includes all of the following:
   a. Certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
   b. Use of an evidence−based protocol or script for providing cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction recommended by an academic institution or a nationally recognized organization specializing in medical dispatch.
   c. Appropriate continuing education, as determined by the department.

2. Transferring callers to a dedicated telephone line, telephone center, or another public safety answering point to provide the caller with assistance on administer-

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication.”
ing cardiopulmonary resuscitation. If a public safety answering point transfers callers under this subsection, the transferring public service answering point shall do all of the following:

a. Use an evidence–based protocol for the identification of a person in need of cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

b. Provide appropriate training and continuing education, as determined by the department, on the protocol for identification of a person in need of cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

c. Ensure that any dedicated telephone line, telephone center, or public safety answering point to which calls are transferred under this subdivision uses dispatchers that meet the training requirements under subd. 1. to provide assistance on administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

(c) Beginning on the first day of the 37th month that begins after the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date], every public safety answering point shall conduct ongoing quality assurance of its dispatcher assisted bystander cardiopulmonary resuscitation program.

(d) 1. From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (1) (cj), the department shall distribute moneys for dispatcher training on telephonic assistance on administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation, as required under par. (b).

1m. The department may distribute moneys under this subsection through grants, by establishing an application process for persons to submit proposals and establishing a contract with the department to provide training as described under par. (b), or through a combination of these methods.

2. A public safety answering point is eligible to receive a grant under this paragraph if it employs one or more dispatchers that have not completed training as described under par. (b).

2m. A recipient of moneys received under this paragraph shall use the moneys to provide dispatchers with training in accordance with the standards under par. (b).

3. Subject to subd. 2., the department shall establish criteria for approving and distributing moneys under subd. 1.

**SECTION 3e.** 256.35 (7) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

256.35 (7) (title) LIABILITY EXEMPTIONS.

**SECTION 3m.** 256.35 (7) of the statutes, as affected by 2017 Wisconsin Act 59, is renumbered 256.35 (7) (a).