

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Description congenital condition educational resources					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires that physicians make sure expectant parents receive educational resources if their fetus tests positive for congenital condition, and that educational resources for these conditions be provided by the Department of Health Services.

Currently, the Department has very limited staff resources supporting the Birth Defects Prevention and Surveillance work to perform currently statutorily required surveillance.

Even with additional resources, it would likely not be possible for the Department to create and update relevant educational materials for all possible congenital conditions. While the Wisconsin Birth Defects registry currently captures over 80 conditions, there are thousands of congenital conditions, many of them extremely rare.

If the Department were to implement the bill by creating and maintaining educational materials for the most common, rather than all, conditions, it would require 1.0 FTE public health educator-advanced at a cost of \$84,200 GPR annually and a .5 FTE physician at \$114,730 GPR annually. Program staff estimate \$50,000 GPR annually for website costs and printing brochure as well as \$15,000 GPR annually for staff travel to relevant trainings and conferences pertaining to congenital disorders. In sum, the fiscal effect would be 1.5 FTE GPR and \$263,900 GPR per year.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications