

1993 Assembly Bill 1219

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AN ACT relating to creating a task force on hospital and academic medical center costs.

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

SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions; insurance.

(1) TASK FORCE ON HOSPITAL AND ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTER COSTS. (a) In this subsection:

1. "Academic medical center" means any organization in this state that meets all of the following criteria:

- a. Is affiliated with an accredited medical school, college or university.
- b. Offers a broad range of graduate medical training opportunities.
- c. Is heavily involved in research activities.

2. "Hospital" means any hospital that is not affiliated with an academic medical center.

3. "Primary care" has the meaning given in section 560.183 (1) (c) of the statutes.

(b) There is created in the office of the commissioner of insurance a special committee, to be known as the task force on hospital and academic medical center costs, consisting of the commissioner of insurance or the commissioner's designee, the secretary of health and social services or the secretary's designee, one representative to the assembly, appointed as are the members of assembly standing committees, one senator, appointed as are the members of senate standing committees, and the following members appointed by the governor:

1. A representative from a list of names submitted by the dean of the university of Wisconsin medical school.
2. A representative from a list of names submitted by the president of the medical college of Wisconsin, inc.
3. Four representatives of academic medical centers, at least one of whom is a physician.

4. A representative who is a physician and who represents an organization, other than a hospital, that provides clinical medical training.

5. A representative of a hospital with a residency program in primary care.

6. A representative of the insurance industry.

7. Four representatives of the public interest.

(c) The task force on hospital and academic medical center costs shall develop recommendations for legislative or administrative action that are designed to ensure that graduate medical education is equitably financed and to provide academic medical centers and hospitals that provide education for primary care training with sufficient resources to operate in a competitive health care marketplace. In developing these recommendations, the task force on hospital and academic medical center costs shall consider all of the following:

1. The identification of costs incurred by academic medical centers in carrying out their responsibilities to provide graduate medical education and perform research.

2. The identification of costs incurred by hospitals for residency programs in carrying out this responsibility.

3. The development of a health care system that equitably distributes the costs identified in subdivisions 1 and 2, including the development of options that focus on surcharges applicable to all users of the health care system.

(d) The task force on hospital and academic medical center costs shall submit a report by July 1, 1995, to the legislature under section 13.172 (2) of the statutes and to the governor that contains the recommendations developed under paragraph (c).

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(e) The task force on hospital and academic medical center costs terminates upon submittal of the report as required under paragraph (d).
