

Subject Nondiscrimination in access to transplants

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Overview

This bill prohibits health care providers and entities responsible for matching anatomical gift donors to potential recipients from making decisions about an individual's access to anatomical gifts and related services based on the individual's race or ethnicity. It also expands the definition of auxiliary aids and services to include interpreters and methods of making aurally delivered materials available to non-English-speaking individuals.

Summary

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1	Nondiscrimination in access to transplants.
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Amends § 363A.50. Prohibits health care providers and entities responsible for matching anatomical gift donors to recipients from limiting an individual's access to anatomical gifts and related services based on an individual's race or ethnicity. Also expands the definition of auxiliary aids and services.

Subd. 1. Definitions. Amends the definition of auxiliary aids and services to include qualified interpreters or other methods of making aurally delivered materials available to non-English-speaking individuals (under current law this term covers interpreters and methods to make materials available to individuals with hearing impairments).

Subd. 2. Prohibition of discrimination. Prohibits health care providers and entities responsible for matching anatomical gift donors to potential recipients from doing the following based on an individual's race or ethnicity: deeming an individual ineligible to receive an anatomical gift, denying related organ transplantation services, refusing to refer an individual to be evaluated for or to receive an anatomical gift, refusing to place an individual on an organ transplant waiting list, and declining insurance coverage for procedures associated with the anatomical gift (under current law entities cannot make the above decisions based on an individual's mental or physical disability).

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Subd. 3. Remedies. No changes to this subdivision.



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