

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to Alzheimer's disease and related
 3 forms of dementia education and public awareness;
 4 creating s. 381.825, F.S.; providing a short title;
 5 requiring the Department of Health to educate certain
 6 licensed health care providers regarding specified
 7 information related to Alzheimer's disease and related
 8 forms of dementia; providing an effective date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12 Section 1. Section 381.825, Florida Statutes, is created
 13 to read:

14 381.825 Education and public awareness relating to
 15 Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.-

16 (1) This section may be cited as the "Ramping up Education
 17 of Alzheimer's and Dementia for You (READY) Act."

18 (2) The Department of Health shall, through existing,
 19 relevant public health and community outreach programs, educate
 20 health care providers licensed under chapters 458, 459, and 464
 21 regarding all of the following information:

22 (a) The importance of early detection and timely diagnosis
 23 of Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

24 (b) Using a validated cognitive assessment tool.

25 (c) The value and effectiveness of the Medicare annual

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26 | wellness visit in detecting Alzheimer's disease and related
27 | forms of dementia.

28 | (d) Using Medicare advance care planning billing codes for
29 | persons with Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

30 | (e) Reducing the risk of cognitive decline, particularly
31 | among persons in diverse communities who are at greater risk of
32 | developing Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

33 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.