

**PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 368 of 1978**

**333.5141 Reflex sympathetic dystrophy/complex regional pain syndrome (RSD/CRPS); work group; education program; materials and brochures; funds.**

Sec. 5141. (1) Upon appropriation of the necessary funding to support the work group and the education program, the department shall establish a reflex sympathetic dystrophy/complex regional pain syndrome (RSD/CRPS) work group that is composed of both public and private sector members. The RSD/CRPS work group, in consultation with health care providers and health-related organizations, shall develop and coordinate an RSD/CRPS education program to promote public awareness of the causes of RSD/CRPS and the value of early detection, diagnosis, and treatment of this disease. The RSD/CRPS program shall include a public education and outreach campaign utilizing written materials and brochures to promote awareness of RSD/CRPS among consumers, health care providers, teachers, and human services providers and to enable individuals to make informed decisions about their health. The written materials and brochures shall include, but are not limited to, information regarding each of the following:

- (a) Cause and nature of RSD/CRPS.
- (b) Risk factors that contribute to the manifestation of RSD/CRPS.
- (c) All available treatment options for RSD/CRPS including the risks and benefits of each of those options.
- (d) Environmental safety and injury prevention.
- (e) Rest and use of appropriate body mechanics.
- (f) Any other information that is relevant to RSD/CRPS.

(2) The educational materials and brochures developed under subsection (1) shall be made available to the public through the department's website or health promotions clearinghouse hotline and, if sufficient funding is available, the educational materials and brochures shall be distributed to local health departments, hospitals, and health care providers for distribution to the public. The RSD/CRPS work group shall also facilitate as a part of the RSD/CRPS program educational workshops that are open to the public. The workshops shall include, at a minimum, at least 1 physician presenter who is licensed under article 15 and is knowledgeable about RSD/CRPS.

(3) The department may accept and utilize federal or state funds or other public or private grants, gifts, donations, or appropriations to carry out the purposes of this section, including, but not limited to, promoting research to accurately identify, diagnose, and treat this disease.

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