

Uterine Fibroid Amendments
 2026 GENERAL SESSION
 STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Rosalba Dominguez
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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill addresses uterine fibroid research and education.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- requires the Department of Health and Human Services (department) to coordinate research and education related to uterine fibroids;
- permits the department to coordinate with medical research organizations to carry out the department's research and education coordination efforts, including data sharing;
- requires the department to report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee;
- provides a repeal date for research and education efforts, and related reporting requirements;
- makes technical and conforming changes; and
- defines terms.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63I-2-226, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapters 277, 414

ENACTS:

26B-7-126, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **26B-7-126** is enacted to read:

26B-7-126 . Uterine fibroid research and education.

(1) As used in this section:

- 31 (a) "Health care provider" means the same as that term is defined in Section 78B-3-403.
- 32 (b) "Medical research organization" means an institution of higher education, a research
- 33 organization, or a healthcare facility that conducts medical research:
- 34 (i) that is approved by an institutional review board; and
- 35 (ii) in accordance with applicable ethics requirements for human subject research.
- 36 (c)(i) "Uterine fibroid" means a non-cancerous growth in or on the uterus.
- 37 (ii) "Uterine fibroid" includes a leiomyoma or a myoma.
- 38 (2) The department shall coordinate efforts related to research of and education about
- 39 uterine fibroids.
- 40 (3) The department's coordination efforts shall encourage:
- 41 (a) research on:
- 42 (i) how frequently individuals in the state are diagnosed with uterine fibroids;
- 43 (ii) the ages at which individuals are diagnosed with, and treated for, uterine fibroids;
- 44 (iii) health care services delivered to individuals in the state diagnosed with uterine
- 45 fibroids;
- 46 (iv) how many hysterectomies are performed:
- 47 (A) as a treatment for uterine fibroids; or
- 48 (B) for which uterine fibroids are a factor in performing the hysterectomy;
- 49 (v) the availability of non-hysterectomy treatment options for individuals in the state
- 50 diagnosed with uterine fibroids, including drugs and devices; and
- 51 (vi) the impacts of uterine fibroids on reproductive health, including as a barrier to
- 52 reproduction; and
- 53 (b) data collection and data sharing related to the subjects described in Subsection (3)(a).
- 54 (4) The department's coordination efforts shall include education for health care providers
- 55 and patients about uterine fibroids to ensure individuals with symptomatic uterine
- 56 fibroids receive appropriate treatment, including education about:
- 57 (a) the availability and appropriateness of non-hysterectomy treatment options; and
- 58 (b) the impacts of uterine fibroids on reproductive health, including as a barrier to
- 59 reproduction.
- 60 (5) In fulfilling the department's duties described in Subsections (2) through (4), the
- 61 department may coordinate with medical research organizations in the state.
- 62 (6) In accordance with Chapter 8, Part 5, Utah Health Data Authority, and other applicable
- 63 laws, the department may enter into an agreement with medical research organizations
- 64 in the state to share identifiable health data for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements

- 65 of Subsection (3).
- 66 (7) On or before November 1, 2028, and on or before November 1, 2029, the department
- 67 shall report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee on:
- 68 (a) the department's coordination efforts related to research as described in Subsection
- 69 (3)(a);
- 70 (b) any findings related to the research topics described in Subsection (3)(a), including,
- 71 in 2029, a comparison to any findings reported in 2028;
- 72 (c) the department's coordination efforts related to education for health care providers
- 73 and patients about uterine fibroids;
- 74 (d) the department's recommendations, including policy and legislative
- 75 recommendations; and
- 76 (e) any other data or information the committee requests related to uterine fibroid
- 77 research and education.

78 Section 2. Section **63I-2-226** is amended to read:

79 **63I-2-226 . Repeal dates: Titles 26 through 26B.**

- 80 (1) Section 26B-1-420, Cannabis Research Review Board, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 81 (2) Subsection 26B-1-421(9)(a), regarding a report to the Cannabis Research Review
- 82 Board, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 83 (3) Section 26B-1-423, Rural Physician Loan Repayment Program Advisory Committee --
- 84 Membership -- Compensation -- Duties, is repealed July 1, 2026.
- 85 (4) Section 26B-2-243, Data collection and reporting requirements concerning incidents of
- 86 abuse, neglect, or exploitation, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 87 (5) Subsection 26B-3-215(5), regarding reporting on coverage for in vitro fertilization and
- 88 genetic testing, is repealed July 1, 2030.
- 89 (6) Subsection 26B-4-201(5), regarding the Cannabis Research Review Board, is repealed
- 90 July 1, 2025.
- 91 (7) Subsection 26B-4-212(1)(b), regarding the Cannabis Research Review Board, is
- 92 repealed July 1, 2025.
- 93 (8) Section 26B-4-702, Creation of Utah Health Care Workforce Financial Assistance
- 94 Program, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 95 (9) Subsection 26B-4-703(3)(b), regarding per diem and expenses for the Rural Physician
- 96 Loan Repayment Program Advisory Committee, is repealed July 1, 2026.
- 97 (10) Subsection 26B-4-703(3)(c), regarding expenses for the Rural Physician Loan
- 98 Repayment Program, is repealed July 1, 2026.

- 99 (11) Subsection 26B-4-703(6)(b), regarding recommendations from the Rural Physician
100 Loan Repayment Program Advisory Committee, is repealed July 1, 2026.
- 101 (12) Section 26B-5-117, Early childhood mental health support grant program, is repealed
102 January 2, 2025.
- 103 (13) Section 26B-5-302.5, Study concerning civil commitment and the Utah State Hospital,
104 is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 105 (14) Section 26B-6-414, Respite care services, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 106 (15) Section 26B-7-120, Invisible condition alert program education and outreach, is
107 repealed July 1, 2025.
- 108 (16) Section 26B-7-126, Uterine fibroid research and education, is repealed July 1, 2030.
- 109 Section 3. **Effective Date.**
- 110 This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.