

Public Law 108–365
108th Congress

An Act

Oct. 25, 2004
[H.R. 4555]

To amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend provisions relating to mammography quality standards.

Mammography
Quality
Standards
Reauthorization
Act of 2004.
42 USC 201 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act of 2004”.

SEC. 2. TEMPORARY RENEWAL AND LIMITED PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE.

Section 354 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 263b) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1)—

(A) in subparagraph (A)—

(i) in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting “or a temporary renewal certificate” after “certificate”; and

(ii) in clause (i), by striking “subsection (c)(1)” and inserting “paragraphs (1) or (2) of subsection (c)”;

(B) in subparagraph (B)—

(i) in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting “or a limited provisional certificate” after “certificate”; and

(ii) in clause (i), by striking “subsection (c)(2)” and inserting “paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (c)”;

(C) in the flush matter at the end, by striking “provisional certificate” and inserting “temporary renewal certificate, provisional certificate, or a limited provisional certificate”; and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (4);

and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

“(2) TEMPORARY RENEWAL CERTIFICATE.—The Secretary may issue a temporary renewal certificate, for a period of not to exceed 45 days, to a facility seeking reaccreditation if the accreditation body has issued an accreditation extension, for a period of not to exceed 45 days, for any of the following:

“(A) The facility has submitted the required materials to the accreditation body within the established time

frames for the submission of such materials but the accreditation body is unable to complete the reaccreditation process before the certification expires.

“(B) The facility has acquired additional or replacement equipment, or has had significant personnel changes or other unforeseen situations that have caused the facility to be unable to meet reaccreditation timeframes, but in the opinion of the accreditation body have not compromised the quality of mammography.

“(3) LIMITED PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE.—The Secretary may, upon the request of an accreditation body, issue a limited provisional certificate to an entity to enable the entity to conduct examinations for educational purposes while an onsite visit from an accreditation body is in progress. Such certificate shall be valid only during the time the site visit team from the accreditation body is physically in the facility, and in no case shall be valid for longer than 72 hours. The issuance of a certificate under this paragraph, shall not preclude the entity from qualifying for a provisional certificate under paragraph (4).”.

SEC. 3. NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Section 354(n) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 263b(n)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking subparagraph (C) and all that follows and inserting the following:

“(C) other health professionals, whose clinical practice, research specialization, or professional expertise include a significant focus on mammography. The Secretary shall appoint at least 4 individuals from among national breast cancer or consumer health organizations with expertise in mammography, at least 2 industry representatives with expertise in mammography equipment, and at least 2 practicing physicians who provide mammography services.”; and

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking “biannually” and inserting “annually”.

SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 354(r)(2) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 263b(r)(2)(A) and (B)) are amended by striking “2002” each place it appears and inserting “2007”.

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