

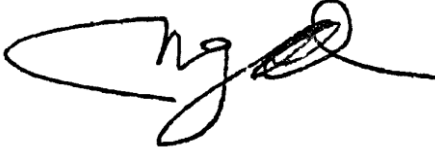
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Office of the Chief Financial Officer



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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Kwame R. Brown
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: January 25, 2012

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “HIV AIDS Continuing Education Requirements Amendment Act of 2012”

REFERENCE: Bill Number 19-510 – As Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 through FY 2015 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the bill.

Background

The bill would amend the D.C. Official Code¹ to require that any continuing education protocols for doctors, registered nurses, practical nurses, nursing assistants, and physician assistants include three credits of instruction on Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Auto Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). The bill gives the Mayor the authority, in consultation with the relevant licensing boards, to extend this requirement to additional medical professionals, discontinue this requirement after December 31, 2018, and, through rulemaking, develop a process for waiving this requirement under certain conditions.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 through FY 2015 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the bill. Individual health professionals bear all of the costs of completing continuing education requirements and the responsibility for providing documentation to their licensing boards.

¹ Section 510(b) of The District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1205.10).