Center for Multicultural Health

This Act establishes a center for multicultural health to promote and coordinate the research, data production and dissemination, education, and health promotion activities of the department, local health departments, local mental health authorities, public schools, community-based organizations, Indian tribes and other organizations within the state as they relate to multicultural and minority health issues.

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Section 1. [Short Title.] This Act may be cited as "An Act to Establish a Center for Multicultural Health."

Section 2. [Definitions.] As used in this Act, "multicultural and minority health issues" means health, including mental and oral health, issues of particular interest to cultural, ethnic, racial, or other subpopulations, including:

(a) Disparities in:
   (i) Disease incidence, prevalence, morbidity, mortality, treatment, and treatment response; and
   (ii) Access to care; and
   (b) Cultural competency in the delivery of health care.

Section 3. [Center for Multicultural Health.] There is created within the [Department of Health] The Center for Multicultural Health. The Center for Multicultural Health shall:

(a) Promote and coordinate the research, data production and dissemination, education, and health promotion activities of the [Department of Health], local health departments, local mental health authorities, public schools, community-based organizations, Indian Tribes, and other organizations within the state as they relate to multicultural and minority health issues;

(b) Assist in the development and implementation of programs to address multicultural and minority health issues;

(c) Promote the dissemination and use of information on multicultural and minority health issues by minority populations, health care providers, and others;

(d) Seek federal funding and other resources to accomplish its mission;

(e) Provide technical assistance to entities within the state seeking funding to study or address multicultural and minority health issues;

(f) Provide staff assistance to any advisory committee created by the [Department of Health] to study multicultural and minority health issues; and

(g) Annually report to the [Legislature] on its activities and accomplishments.

Section 4. [Funding.] As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated from the [General Fund] for [fiscal year 2004-05], [$100,000] to the [Department of Health] to fund the personnel costs of the Center for Multicultural Health.
Section 5. [Severability.][Insert severability clause.]

Section 6. [Repealer.][Insert repealer clause.]

Section 7. [Effective Date.][Insert effective date.]