

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 309

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "PSYCHIATRIC COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL" UNDER THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE CONSUMER ACT; TO INCLUDE CERTAIN CLINICAL PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACIST SERVICES IN THE PSYCHIATRIC COLLABORATIVE CARE MODEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-99-422(a)(2), concerning the definition of "psychiatric collaborative care model" under the Arkansas Health Care Consumer Act, is amended to read as follows:

(2) "Psychiatric collaborative care model" means the delivery of care that is:

(A) An evidence-based, integrated behavioral health service delivery method described at 81 Fed. Reg. 80230-80239, as it existed on ~~March 31, 2023~~ January 1, 2025, and the MLN Booklet for Behavioral Health Integration Services published by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, as it existed on ~~March 31, 2023~~ January 1, 2025; and



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(B)(i) A method typically used by a primary care team consisting of a primary care provider and a care manager who works in collaboration with a psychiatric consultant, including without limitation a psychiatrist.

(ii)(a) A primary care team under subdivision (a)(2)(B)(i) of this section may include an individual providing clinical psychiatric pharmacist services if the individual:

(1) Possesses a pharmacy degree from a program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education;

(2) Utilizes a protocol of disease state management as defined under § 17-92-101 with a supervising provider or provides independent services as a consultant with drug information and medication therapy expertise; and

(3) Holds his or her pharmacist license in good standing with the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy.

(b) An individual providing clinical psychiatric pharmacist services may hold a national board certification.