Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 191.713 and 191.714, to read as follows:

191.713. 1. Sections 191.713 and 191.714 shall be known and may be cited as the "Compassionate Assistance for Rape Emergencies (CARE) Act".

2. As used in sections 191.713 and 191.714, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms shall mean:

(1) "Emergency care to sexual assault victims", medical examinations, procedures, or services provided at a hospital to a sexual assault victim following an alleged rape;

(2) "Emergency contraception", any drug or device approved by the Food and Drug Administration that prevents pregnancy after sexual intercourse;

(3) "Health care facility", any urgent care center or facility that offers treatment for patients during normal business, after-business, or weekend hours and that is affiliated with a licensed hospital;

(4) "Medically and factually accurate and objective", verified or supported by the weight of research conducted in compliance with accepted scientific methods and is published in peer-reviewed journals where applicable; or comprising information that leading professional organizations and agencies with relevant expertise in the field, such as the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, recognize as accurate and objective;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.
(5) "Sexual assault", as defined in section 566.040;
(6) "Sexual assault victim", a female who is alleged to have been raped and is
presented as a patient.

191.714. 1. It shall be the standard of care for any hospital and any health care
facility that provides emergency care to sexual assault victims to:
(1) Provide each sexual assault victim with medically and factually accurate and
objective written and oral information about emergency contraception;
(2) Orally inform each sexual assault victim of her option to be provided emergency
contraception at the hospital;
(3) Provide the complete regimen of emergency contraception immediately at the
hospital or health care facility to each sexual assault victim who requests it; and
(4) Follow the Department of Justice protocols on HIV/STD screening and
prophylactic treatment as referenced in 19 CSR 40-10.010 and the sexual assault forensic
exam checklist promulgated by the department of health and senior services.

2. Hospitals and health care facilities shall ensure that each person who provides
care to sexual assault victims is provided with medically and factually accurate and
objective information about emergency contraception.

3. The department of health and senior services shall develop, prepare, and
produce informational materials relating to emergency contraception for the prevention
of pregnancy for distribution in any hospital or health care facility in the state in quantities
sufficient to comply with the requirements of this section. The director, in collaboration
with community sexual assault programs, may also approve informational materials from
other sources.

4. The information materials shall:
(1) Be medically and factually accurate and objective;
(2) Be clearly written and readily comprehensible in a culturally competent manner
as the department deems necessary to inform victims of sexual assault; and
(3) Explain the nature of emergency contraception, including its use, safety,
efficacy, and availability, and that it does not cause abortion.

5. The department of health and senior services shall respond to complaints and
shall periodically determine whether hospitals and health care facilities are complying with
the provisions of this section. The department may use all investigative tools available to
verify compliance. If the department determines that a hospital or health care facility is
not in compliance, the department shall:
32 (1) Impose an administrative penalty of five thousand dollars per woman who is
denied medically and factually accurate and objective information about emergency
contraception or who is not offered or provided emergency contraception; and

35 (2) Impose an administrative penalty of five thousand dollars for failure to comply
with the provisions of this section and for every thirty days that a hospital or health care
facility is not in compliance, an additional penalty of five thousand dollars shall be
imposed.

6. The department shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of sections
191.713 and 191.714.

7. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is
created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it
complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable,
section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers
vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective
date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the
grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016,
shall be invalid and void.

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