The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Brandi Cannon.

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), in addition to the other powers and duties conferred upon it by law, shall serve as a foundation and resource for addressing health care disparities in vulnerable populations, and contribute to the progression and improvement of Louisiana's health care rankings.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that LDH shall make available to health care professionals the best practices and protocols for treating communities with underlying medical conditions and health disparities by doing certain enumerated tasks.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that LDH may analyze any other relevant data which will add to the work of the department, seek input from any interested parties including but not limited to licensed health care professionals, advocates, and concerned citizens, pursue any relevant topics including policies and laws that impact health disparities, and promote community outreach and extension activities.

Effective August 1, 2021.

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