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TO: All Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Hospice and Outpatient Clinics, and All Licensed Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

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SUBJECT: Public Act 22-58, Section 73, Medical Diagnostic Equipment (MDE)

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Please be advised that [Public Act 22-58](#) requires each health care facility to consider [the technical standards](#) for accessibility developed by the federal Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board when purchasing medical diagnostic equipment. Such standards have been developed in accordance with Section 4203 of the [Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, P.L. 111-148](#), as amended from time to time.

In addition, the Public Act requires this information to be shared with each physician licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes, physician assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes and advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the general statutes of such information pertaining to the provision of health care to individuals with accessibility needs.



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For your consideration, please be aware of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) [report](#) titled Modernizing Health Care to Improve Physical Accessibility that will also support decision making when purchasing medical diagnostic equipment.

Pursuant to Public Act 22-58, an Accessible MDE Task Force was established that includes, but is not limited to consumers, providers and state agencies. Through the efforts of this task force, a check list has been developed that will support medical provider visits for individuals with a disability that are seeking medical care. The task force encourages the use of this checklist to facilitate patient visits that will promote quality of care. The **Checklist of Best Practices to Provide Health Care to Adults with Disabilities** is now available in a final, accessible, clickable format. The checklist can be found here: <https://uconnuicedd.org/health-promotion-projects/resources-to-address-access-to-health-care-for-people-with-disabilities/>.

Please be reminded in the 2024 legislative session further requirements related to medical diagnostic equipment have been addressed in [Public Act 24-113](#). Compliance with the requirements will promote comprehensive and quality care and greater accessibility for individuals with a disability.