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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a state systemic lupus erythematosus program in the department of health.

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

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 192.729, to read as follows:

- 192.729. 1. There is hereby established a state systemic lupus erythematosus**  
2 **program in the department of health. Subject to appropriations, the lupus program shall:**  
3 **(1) Track and monitor the incidents of lupus occurring throughout the state;**  
4 **(2) Identify medical professionals and providers that are knowledgeable or**  
5 **specialize in the treatment of lupus and related diseases or illnesses;**  
6 **(3) Increase public awareness through education of patients, their families, various**  
7 **health professionals and the public;**  
8 **(4) Establish a statewide "Women's Health Information Network", consisting of**  
9 **a statewide WATS telephone system, staffed by the office of women's health in the**  
10 **department of health; and**  
11 **(5) Promote lupus research through collaborations with academic partners**  
12 **throughout the state and local boards, including the Missouri chapter of the lupus**  
13 **foundation.**  
14 **2. The department may utilize or expand existing programs such as the state**  
15 **arthritis program established in sections 192.700 to 192.727 to meet the requirements of**  
16 **this section.**  
17 **3. The department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this**

18 **section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section**  
19 **shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.**