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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ADOPT RULES REQUIRING HOSPITALS AND FREESTANDING BIRTH CENTERS TO PROVIDE TRAINING AND EDUCATION TO PREVENT SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME TO EVERY PARENT OF EVERY NEWBORN BEFORE DISCHARGE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME PREVENTION.--The department of health shall adopt rules, no later than December 31, 2017, requiring every hospital and freestanding birthing center to provide training and education to prevent shaken baby syndrome to every parent of every newborn before discharge of the newborn from the health facility. The rules shall require the health facility to maintain records to demonstrate compliance with this requirement and to report such information as the department deems appropriate regarding the training and education provided by such health facility. The department, in collaboration with the university of New Mexico health sciences center's department of pediatrics, shall approve training and instructional materials in both English and Spanish and shall include the use of shaken baby simulation dolls in the required curriculum.