

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 32.1-134.01 of the Code of Virginia, relating to information for*  
3 *maternity patients; perinatal anxiety.*

4 [H 2613]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 32.1-134.01 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 32.1-134.01. Certain information required for maternity patients.**

9 Every licensed nurse midwife, licensed midwife, or hospital providing maternity care shall, prior to  
10 releasing each maternity patient, make available to such patient and, if present, to the father of the  
11 infant, *and* other relevant family members, or caretakers, information about the incidence of postpartum  
12 blues ~~and~~, perinatal depression, *and perinatal anxiety*; information to increase awareness of shaken baby  
13 syndrome and the dangers of shaking infants; and information about safe sleep environments for infants  
14 that is consistent with current information available from the American Academy of Pediatrics. This  
15 information shall be discussed with the maternity patient and the father of the infant, *and* other relevant  
16 family members, or caretakers who are present at discharge.

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