Ohio Revised Code
Section 3701.137 Promotion of complex regional pain syndrome education.
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(A) As used in this section, "complex regional pain syndrome" or "CRPS," also known as reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, means a debilitating and progressively chronic syndrome characterized by severe burning pain, pathological changes in bone and skin, excessive sweating, tissue swelling, and extreme sensitivity to touch.

(B) The department of health shall include information on its internet web site to promote complex regional pain syndrome education in a manner that enables individuals to make informed decisions about their health. The information on the web site shall include all of the following:

1. Emerging research regarding the pathophysiology of CRPS;
2. The risk factors that contribute to the manifestation of CRPS;
3. Available treatment options, including the risks and benefits of those options;
4. Information on environmental safety and injury prevention;
5. Information on rest and the use of appropriate body mechanics;
6. Information on the availability of diagnostic, treatment, and outreach services for CRPS;
7. Information concerning any other factors or elements that might mitigate the effects of CRPS.

(C) The department shall notify boards of health, hospitals, clinics, and other health care providers about the availability of information concerning CRPS on the department's web site.