

1 AN ACT concerning health.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency
5 Treatment Act is amended by changing Section 5.2 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 70/5.2)

7 Sec. 5.2. Sexual assault services voucher.

8 (a) A sexual assault services voucher shall be issued by a
9 treatment hospital, treatment hospital with approved pediatric
10 transfer, or approved pediatric health care facility at the
11 time a sexual assault survivor receives medical forensic
12 services.

13 (b) Each treatment hospital, treatment hospital with
14 approved pediatric transfer, and approved pediatric health
15 care facility must include in its sexual assault treatment
16 plan submitted to the Department in accordance with Section 2
17 of this Act a protocol for issuing sexual assault services
18 vouchers. The protocol shall, at a minimum, include the
19 following:

20 (1) Identification of employee positions responsible
21 for issuing sexual assault services vouchers.

22 (2) Identification of employee positions with access
23 to the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor

1 system.

2 (3) A statement to be signed by each employee of an
3 approved pediatric health care facility with access to the
4 Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor system
5 affirming that the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or
6 successor system will only be used for the purpose of
7 issuing sexual assault services vouchers.

8 (c) A sexual assault services voucher may be used to seek
9 payment for any ambulance services, medical forensic services,
10 laboratory services, pharmacy services, and follow-up
11 healthcare provided as a result of the sexual assault.

12 (c-5) Beginning January 1, 2026, after services are
13 provided to a survivor as a result of a sexual assault, a
14 sexual assault services voucher may be used to seek payment
15 for transportation to the hospital the survivor initially
16 presented at, the survivor's residence, or a survivor services
17 shelter by taxi or rideshare services, if available. A
18 hospital may obtain written consent of the survivor to use
19 taxi or rideshare services arranged by the hospital.

20 (d) Any treatment hospital, treatment hospital with
21 approved pediatric transfer, approved pediatric health care
22 facility, health care professional, ambulance provider,
23 laboratory, or pharmacy may submit a bill for services
24 provided to a sexual assault survivor as a result of a sexual
25 assault to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services
26 Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program. The bill shall

1 include:

- 2 (1) the name and date of birth of the sexual assault
3 survivor;
- 4 (2) the service provided;
- 5 (3) the charge of service;
- 6 (4) the date the service was provided; and
- 7 (5) the recipient identification number, if known.

8 A health care professional, ambulance provider,
9 laboratory, or pharmacy is not required to submit a copy of the
10 sexual assault services voucher.

11 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services Sexual
12 Assault Emergency Treatment Program shall electronically
13 verify, using the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or a
14 successor system, that a sexual assault services voucher was
15 issued to a sexual assault survivor prior to issuing payment
16 for the services.

17 If a sexual assault services voucher was not issued to a
18 sexual assault survivor by the treatment hospital, treatment
19 hospital with approved pediatric transfer, or approved
20 pediatric health care facility, then a health care
21 professional, ambulance provider, laboratory, or pharmacy may
22 submit a request to the Department of Healthcare and Family
23 Services Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program to issue a
24 sexual assault services voucher.

25 (e) This Section is effective on and after January 1,
26 2024.

1 (Source: P.A. 101-634, eff. 6-5-20; 102-22, eff. 6-25-21;
2 102-674, eff. 11-30-21.)