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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2429

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 2429, AS AMENDED,
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
6 changing Sections 5-5, 5-30, and 5-30.1 as follows:

7 (305 ILCS 5/5-5) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-5)

8 Sec. 5-5. Medical services. The Illinois Department, by
9 rule, shall determine the quantity and quality of and the rate
10 of reimbursement for the medical assistance for which payment
11 will be authorized, and the medical services to be provided,
12 which may include all or part of the following: (1) inpatient
13 hospital services; (2) outpatient hospital services; (3) other
14 laboratory and X-ray services; (4) skilled nursing home
15 services; (5) physicians' services whether furnished in the
16 office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing home,

1 or elsewhere; (6) medical care, or any other type of remedial
2 care furnished by licensed practitioners; (7) home health care
3 services; (8) private duty nursing service; (9) clinic
4 services; (10) dental services, including prevention and
5 treatment of periodontal disease and dental caries disease for
6 pregnant women, provided by an individual licensed to practice
7 dentistry or dental surgery; for purposes of this item (10),
8 "dental services" means diagnostic, preventive, or corrective
9 procedures provided by or under the supervision of a dentist in
10 the practice of his or her profession; (11) physical therapy
11 and related services; (12) prescribed drugs, dentures, and
12 prosthetic devices; and eyeglasses prescribed by a physician
13 skilled in the diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist,
14 whichever the person may select; (13) other diagnostic,
15 screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services, including
16 to ensure that the individual's need for intervention or
17 treatment of mental disorders or substance use disorders or
18 co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders is
19 determined using a uniform screening, assessment, and
20 evaluation process inclusive of criteria, for children and
21 adults; for purposes of this item (13), a uniform screening,
22 assessment, and evaluation process refers to a process that
23 includes an appropriate evaluation and, as warranted, a
24 referral; "uniform" does not mean the use of a singular
25 instrument, tool, or process that all must utilize; (14)
26 transportation and such other expenses as may be necessary;

1 (15) medical treatment of sexual assault survivors, as defined
2 in Section 1a of the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency
3 Treatment Act, for injuries sustained as a result of the sexual
4 assault, including examinations and laboratory tests to
5 discover evidence which may be used in criminal proceedings
6 arising from the sexual assault; (16) the diagnosis and
7 treatment of sickle cell anemia; and (17) any other medical
8 care, and any other type of remedial care recognized under the
9 laws of this State. The term "any other type of remedial care"
10 shall include nursing care and nursing home service for persons
11 who rely on treatment by spiritual means alone through prayer
12 for healing.

13 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a
14 comprehensive tobacco use cessation program that includes
15 purchasing prescription drugs or prescription medical devices
16 approved by the Food and Drug Administration shall be covered
17 under the medical assistance program under this Article for
18 persons who are otherwise eligible for assistance under this
19 Article.

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code,
21 reproductive health care that is otherwise legal in Illinois
22 shall be covered under the medical assistance program for
23 persons who are otherwise eligible for medical assistance under
24 this Article.

25 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the
26 Illinois Department may not require, as a condition of payment

1 for any laboratory test authorized under this Article, that a
2 physician's handwritten signature appear on the laboratory
3 test order form. The Illinois Department may, however, impose
4 other appropriate requirements regarding laboratory test order
5 documentation.

6 Upon receipt of federal approval of an amendment to the
7 Illinois Title XIX State Plan for this purpose, the Department
8 shall authorize the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) to procure a
9 vendor or vendors to manufacture eyeglasses for individuals
10 enrolled in a school within the CPS system. CPS shall ensure
11 that its vendor or vendors are enrolled as providers in the
12 medical assistance program and in any capitated Medicaid
13 managed care entity (MCE) serving individuals enrolled in a
14 school within the CPS system. Under any contract procured under
15 this provision, the vendor or vendors must serve only
16 individuals enrolled in a school within the CPS system. Claims
17 for services provided by CPS's vendor or vendors to recipients
18 of benefits in the medical assistance program under this Code,
19 the Children's Health Insurance Program, or the Covering ALL
20 KIDS Health Insurance Program shall be submitted to the
21 Department or the MCE in which the individual is enrolled for
22 payment and shall be reimbursed at the Department's or the
23 MCE's established rates or rate methodologies for eyeglasses.

24 On and after July 1, 2012, the Department of Healthcare and
25 Family Services may provide the following services to persons
26 eligible for assistance under this Article who are

1 participating in education, training or employment programs
2 operated by the Department of Human Services as successor to
3 the Department of Public Aid:

4 (1) dental services provided by or under the
5 supervision of a dentist; and

6 (2) eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in the
7 diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the
8 person may select.

9 On and after July 1, 2018, the Department of Healthcare and
10 Family Services shall provide dental services to any adult who
11 is otherwise eligible for assistance under the medical
12 assistance program. As used in this paragraph, "dental
13 services" means diagnostic, preventative, restorative, or
14 corrective procedures, including procedures and services for
15 the prevention and treatment of periodontal disease and dental
16 caries disease, provided by an individual who is licensed to
17 practice dentistry or dental surgery or who is under the
18 supervision of a dentist in the practice of his or her
19 profession.

20 On and after July 1, 2018, targeted dental services, as set
21 forth in Exhibit D of the Consent Decree entered by the United
22 States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois,
23 Eastern Division, in the matter of Memisovski v. Maram, Case
24 No. 92 C 1982, that are provided to adults under the medical
25 assistance program shall be established at no less than the
26 rates set forth in the "New Rate" column in Exhibit D of the

1 Consent Decree for targeted dental services that are provided
2 to persons under the age of 18 under the medical assistance
3 program.

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code and
5 subject to federal approval, the Department may adopt rules to
6 allow a dentist who is volunteering his or her service at no
7 cost to render dental services through an enrolled
8 not-for-profit health clinic without the dentist personally
9 enrolling as a participating provider in the medical assistance
10 program. A not-for-profit health clinic shall include a public
11 health clinic or Federally Qualified Health Center or other
12 enrolled provider, as determined by the Department, through
13 which dental services covered under this Section are performed.
14 The Department shall establish a process for payment of claims
15 for reimbursement for covered dental services rendered under
16 this provision.

17 The Illinois Department, by rule, may distinguish and
18 classify the medical services to be provided only in accordance
19 with the classes of persons designated in Section 5-2.

20 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services must
21 provide coverage and reimbursement for amino acid-based
22 elemental formulas, regardless of delivery method, for the
23 diagnosis and treatment of (i) eosinophilic disorders and (ii)
24 short bowel syndrome when the prescribing physician has issued
25 a written order stating that the amino acid-based elemental
26 formula is medically necessary.

1 The Illinois Department shall authorize the provision of,
2 and shall authorize payment for, screening by low-dose
3 mammography for the presence of occult breast cancer for women
4 35 years of age or older who are eligible for medical
5 assistance under this Article, as follows:

6 (A) A baseline mammogram for women 35 to 39 years of
7 age.

8 (B) An annual mammogram for women 40 years of age or
9 older.

10 (C) A mammogram at the age and intervals considered
11 medically necessary by the woman's health care provider for
12 women under 40 years of age and having a family history of
13 breast cancer, prior personal history of breast cancer,
14 positive genetic testing, or other risk factors.

15 (D) A comprehensive ultrasound screening and MRI of an
16 entire breast or breasts if a mammogram demonstrates
17 heterogeneous or dense breast tissue, when medically
18 necessary as determined by a physician licensed to practice
19 medicine in all of its branches.

20 (E) A screening MRI when medically necessary, as
21 determined by a physician licensed to practice medicine in
22 all of its branches.

23 All screenings shall include a physical breast exam,
24 instruction on self-examination and information regarding the
25 frequency of self-examination and its value as a preventative
26 tool. For purposes of this Section, "low-dose mammography"

1 means the x-ray examination of the breast using equipment
2 dedicated specifically for mammography, including the x-ray
3 tube, filter, compression device, and image receptor, with an
4 average radiation exposure delivery of less than one rad per
5 breast for 2 views of an average size breast. The term also
6 includes digital mammography and includes breast
7 tomosynthesis. As used in this Section, the term "breast
8 tomosynthesis" means a radiologic procedure that involves the
9 acquisition of projection images over the stationary breast to
10 produce cross-sectional digital three-dimensional images of
11 the breast. If, at any time, the Secretary of the United States
12 Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor
13 agency, promulgates rules or regulations to be published in the
14 Federal Register or publishes a comment in the Federal Register
15 or issues an opinion, guidance, or other action that would
16 require the State, pursuant to any provision of the Patient
17 Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148),
18 including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. 18031(d)(3)(B) or any
19 successor provision, to defray the cost of any coverage for
20 breast tomosynthesis outlined in this paragraph, then the
21 requirement that an insurer cover breast tomosynthesis is
22 inoperative other than any such coverage authorized under
23 Section 1902 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1396a, and
24 the State shall not assume any obligation for the cost of
25 coverage for breast tomosynthesis set forth in this paragraph.

26 On and after January 1, 2016, the Department shall ensure

1 that all networks of care for adult clients of the Department
2 include access to at least one breast imaging Center of Imaging
3 Excellence as certified by the American College of Radiology.

4 On and after January 1, 2012, providers participating in a
5 quality improvement program approved by the Department shall be
6 reimbursed for screening and diagnostic mammography at the same
7 rate as the Medicare program's rates, including the increased
8 reimbursement for digital mammography.

9 The Department shall convene an expert panel including
10 representatives of hospitals, free-standing mammography
11 facilities, and doctors, including radiologists, to establish
12 quality standards for mammography.

13 On and after January 1, 2017, providers participating in a
14 breast cancer treatment quality improvement program approved
15 by the Department shall be reimbursed for breast cancer
16 treatment at a rate that is no lower than 95% of the Medicare
17 program's rates for the data elements included in the breast
18 cancer treatment quality program.

19 The Department shall convene an expert panel, including
20 representatives of hospitals, free standing breast cancer
21 treatment centers, breast cancer quality organizations, and
22 doctors, including breast surgeons, reconstructive breast
23 surgeons, oncologists, and primary care providers to establish
24 quality standards for breast cancer treatment.

25 Subject to federal approval, the Department shall
26 establish a rate methodology for mammography at federally

1 qualified health centers and other encounter-rate clinics.
2 These clinics or centers may also collaborate with other
3 hospital-based mammography facilities. By January 1, 2016, the
4 Department shall report to the General Assembly on the status
5 of the provision set forth in this paragraph.

6 The Department shall establish a methodology to remind
7 women who are age-appropriate for screening mammography, but
8 who have not received a mammogram within the previous 18
9 months, of the importance and benefit of screening mammography.
10 The Department shall work with experts in breast cancer
11 outreach and patient navigation to optimize these reminders and
12 shall establish a methodology for evaluating their
13 effectiveness and modifying the methodology based on the
14 evaluation.

15 The Department shall establish a performance goal for
16 primary care providers with respect to their female patients
17 over age 40 receiving an annual mammogram. This performance
18 goal shall be used to provide additional reimbursement in the
19 form of a quality performance bonus to primary care providers
20 who meet that goal.

21 The Department shall devise a means of case-managing or
22 patient navigation for beneficiaries diagnosed with breast
23 cancer. This program shall initially operate as a pilot program
24 in areas of the State with the highest incidence of mortality
25 related to breast cancer. At least one pilot program site shall
26 be in the metropolitan Chicago area and at least one site shall

1 be outside the metropolitan Chicago area. On or after July 1,
2 2016, the pilot program shall be expanded to include one site
3 in western Illinois, one site in southern Illinois, one site in
4 central Illinois, and 4 sites within metropolitan Chicago. An
5 evaluation of the pilot program shall be carried out measuring
6 health outcomes and cost of care for those served by the pilot
7 program compared to similarly situated patients who are not
8 served by the pilot program.

9 The Department shall require all networks of care to
10 develop a means either internally or by contract with experts
11 in navigation and community outreach to navigate cancer
12 patients to comprehensive care in a timely fashion. The
13 Department shall require all networks of care to include access
14 for patients diagnosed with cancer to at least one academic
15 commission on cancer-accredited cancer program as an
16 in-network covered benefit.

17 Any medical or health care provider shall immediately
18 recommend, to any pregnant woman who is being provided prenatal
19 services and is suspected of drug abuse or is addicted as
20 defined in the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency
21 Act, referral to a local substance abuse treatment provider
22 licensed by the Department of Human Services or to a licensed
23 hospital which provides substance abuse treatment services.
24 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall assure
25 coverage for the cost of treatment of the drug abuse or
26 addiction for pregnant recipients in accordance with the

1 Illinois Medicaid Program in conjunction with the Department of
2 Human Services.

3 All medical providers providing medical assistance to
4 pregnant women under this Code shall receive information from
5 the Department on the availability of services under the Drug
6 Free Families with a Future or any comparable program providing
7 case management services for addicted women, including
8 information on appropriate referrals for other social services
9 that may be needed by addicted women in addition to treatment
10 for addiction.

11 The Illinois Department, in cooperation with the
12 Departments of Human Services (as successor to the Department
13 of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse) and Public Health, through a
14 public awareness campaign, may provide information concerning
15 treatment for alcoholism and drug abuse and addiction, prenatal
16 health care, and other pertinent programs directed at reducing
17 the number of drug-affected infants born to recipients of
18 medical assistance.

19 Neither the Department of Healthcare and Family Services
20 nor the Department of Human Services shall sanction the
21 recipient solely on the basis of her substance abuse.

22 The Illinois Department shall establish such regulations
23 governing the dispensing of health services under this Article
24 as it shall deem appropriate. The Department should seek the
25 advice of formal professional advisory committees appointed by
26 the Director of the Illinois Department for the purpose of

1 providing regular advice on policy and administrative matters,
2 information dissemination and educational activities for
3 medical and health care providers, and consistency in
4 procedures to the Illinois Department.

5 The Illinois Department may develop and contract with
6 Partnerships of medical providers to arrange medical services
7 for persons eligible under Section 5-2 of this Code.
8 Implementation of this Section may be by demonstration projects
9 in certain geographic areas. The Partnership shall be
10 represented by a sponsor organization. The Department, by rule,
11 shall develop qualifications for sponsors of Partnerships.
12 Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require that the
13 sponsor organization be a medical organization.

14 The sponsor must negotiate formal written contracts with
15 medical providers for physician services, inpatient and
16 outpatient hospital care, home health services, treatment for
17 alcoholism and substance abuse, and other services determined
18 necessary by the Illinois Department by rule for delivery by
19 Partnerships. Physician services must include prenatal and
20 obstetrical care. The Illinois Department shall reimburse
21 medical services delivered by Partnership providers to clients
22 in target areas according to provisions of this Article and the
23 Illinois Health Finance Reform Act, except that:

24 (1) Physicians participating in a Partnership and
25 providing certain services, which shall be determined by
26 the Illinois Department, to persons in areas covered by the

1 Partnership may receive an additional surcharge for such
2 services.

3 (2) The Department may elect to consider and negotiate
4 financial incentives to encourage the development of
5 Partnerships and the efficient delivery of medical care.

6 (3) Persons receiving medical services through
7 Partnerships may receive medical and case management
8 services above the level usually offered through the
9 medical assistance program.

10 Medical providers shall be required to meet certain
11 qualifications to participate in Partnerships to ensure the
12 delivery of high quality medical services. These
13 qualifications shall be determined by rule of the Illinois
14 Department and may be higher than qualifications for
15 participation in the medical assistance program. Partnership
16 sponsors may prescribe reasonable additional qualifications
17 for participation by medical providers, only with the prior
18 written approval of the Illinois Department.

19 Nothing in this Section shall limit the free choice of
20 practitioners, hospitals, and other providers of medical
21 services by clients. In order to ensure patient freedom of
22 choice, the Illinois Department shall immediately promulgate
23 all rules and take all other necessary actions so that provided
24 services may be accessed from therapeutically certified
25 optometrists to the full extent of the Illinois Optometric
26 Practice Act of 1987 without discriminating between service

1 providers.

2 The Department shall apply for a waiver from the United
3 States Health Care Financing Administration to allow for the
4 implementation of Partnerships under this Section.

5 The Illinois Department shall require health care
6 providers to maintain records that document the medical care
7 and services provided to recipients of Medical Assistance under
8 this Article. Such records must be retained for a period of not
9 less than 6 years from the date of service or as provided by
10 applicable State law, whichever period is longer, except that
11 if an audit is initiated within the required retention period
12 then the records must be retained until the audit is completed
13 and every exception is resolved. The Illinois Department shall
14 require health care providers to make available, when
15 authorized by the patient, in writing, the medical records in a
16 timely fashion to other health care providers who are treating
17 or serving persons eligible for Medical Assistance under this
18 Article. All dispensers of medical services shall be required
19 to maintain and retain business and professional records
20 sufficient to fully and accurately document the nature, scope,
21 details and receipt of the health care provided to persons
22 eligible for medical assistance under this Code, in accordance
23 with regulations promulgated by the Illinois Department. The
24 rules and regulations shall require that proof of the receipt
25 of prescription drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and
26 eyeglasses by eligible persons under this Section accompany

1 each claim for reimbursement submitted by the dispenser of such
2 medical services. No such claims for reimbursement shall be
3 approved for payment by the Illinois Department without such
4 proof of receipt, unless the Illinois Department shall have put
5 into effect and shall be operating a system of post-payment
6 audit and review which shall, on a sampling basis, be deemed
7 adequate by the Illinois Department to assure that such drugs,
8 dentures, prosthetic devices and eyeglasses for which payment
9 is being made are actually being received by eligible
10 recipients. Within 90 days after September 16, 1984 (the
11 effective date of Public Act 83-1439), the Illinois Department
12 shall establish a current list of acquisition costs for all
13 prosthetic devices and any other items recognized as medical
14 equipment and supplies reimbursable under this Article and
15 shall update such list on a quarterly basis, except that the
16 acquisition costs of all prescription drugs shall be updated no
17 less frequently than every 30 days as required by Section
18 5-5.12.

19 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the Illinois
20 Department shall, within 365 days after July 22, 2013 (the
21 effective date of Public Act 98-104), establish procedures to
22 permit skilled care facilities licensed under the Nursing Home
23 Care Act to submit monthly billing claims for reimbursement
24 purposes. Following development of these procedures, the
25 Department shall, by July 1, 2016, test the viability of the
26 new system and implement any necessary operational or

1 structural changes to its information technology platforms in
2 order to allow for the direct acceptance and payment of nursing
3 home claims.

4 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the Illinois
5 Department shall, within 365 days after August 15, 2014 (the
6 effective date of Public Act 98-963), establish procedures to
7 permit ID/DD facilities licensed under the ID/DD Community Care
8 Act and MC/DD facilities licensed under the MC/DD Act to submit
9 monthly billing claims for reimbursement purposes. Following
10 development of these procedures, the Department shall have an
11 additional 365 days to test the viability of the new system and
12 to ensure that any necessary operational or structural changes
13 to its information technology platforms are implemented.

14 The Illinois Department shall require all dispensers of
15 medical services, other than an individual practitioner or
16 group of practitioners, desiring to participate in the Medical
17 Assistance program established under this Article to disclose
18 all financial, beneficial, ownership, equity, surety or other
19 interests in any and all firms, corporations, partnerships,
20 associations, business enterprises, joint ventures, agencies,
21 institutions or other legal entities providing any form of
22 health care services in this State under this Article.

23 The Illinois Department may require that all dispensers of
24 medical services desiring to participate in the medical
25 assistance program established under this Article disclose,
26 under such terms and conditions as the Illinois Department may

1 by rule establish, all inquiries from clients and attorneys
2 regarding medical bills paid by the Illinois Department, which
3 inquiries could indicate potential existence of claims or liens
4 for the Illinois Department.

5 Enrollment of a vendor shall be subject to a provisional
6 period and shall be conditional for one year. During the period
7 of conditional enrollment, the Department may terminate the
8 vendor's eligibility to participate in, or may disenroll the
9 vendor from, the medical assistance program without cause.
10 Unless otherwise specified, such termination of eligibility or
11 disenrollment is not subject to the Department's hearing
12 process. However, a disenrolled vendor may reapply without
13 penalty.

14 The Department has the discretion to limit the conditional
15 enrollment period for vendors based upon category of risk of
16 the vendor.

17 Prior to enrollment and during the conditional enrollment
18 period in the medical assistance program, all vendors shall be
19 subject to enhanced oversight, screening, and review based on
20 the risk of fraud, waste, and abuse that is posed by the
21 category of risk of the vendor. The Illinois Department shall
22 establish the procedures for oversight, screening, and review,
23 which may include, but need not be limited to: criminal and
24 financial background checks; fingerprinting; license,
25 certification, and authorization verifications; unscheduled or
26 unannounced site visits; database checks; prepayment audit

1 reviews; audits; payment caps; payment suspensions; and other
2 screening as required by federal or State law.

3 The Department shall define or specify the following: (i)
4 by provider notice, the "category of risk of the vendor" for
5 each type of vendor, which shall take into account the level of
6 screening applicable to a particular category of vendor under
7 federal law and regulations; (ii) by rule or provider notice,
8 the maximum length of the conditional enrollment period for
9 each category of risk of the vendor; and (iii) by rule, the
10 hearing rights, if any, afforded to a vendor in each category
11 of risk of the vendor that is terminated or disenrolled during
12 the conditional enrollment period.

13 To be eligible for payment consideration, a vendor's
14 payment claim or bill, either as an initial claim or as a
15 resubmitted claim following prior rejection, must be received
16 by the Illinois Department, or its fiscal intermediary, no
17 later than 180 days after the latest date on the claim on which
18 medical goods or services were provided, with the following
19 exceptions:

20 (1) In the case of a provider whose enrollment is in
21 process by the Illinois Department, the 180-day period
22 shall not begin until the date on the written notice from
23 the Illinois Department that the provider enrollment is
24 complete.

25 (2) In the case of errors attributable to the Illinois
26 Department or any of its claims processing intermediaries

1 which result in an inability to receive, process, or
2 adjudicate a claim, the 180-day period shall not begin
3 until the provider has been notified of the error.

4 (3) In the case of a provider for whom the Illinois
5 Department initiates the monthly billing process.

6 (4) In the case of a provider operated by a unit of
7 local government with a population exceeding 3,000,000
8 when local government funds finance federal participation
9 for claims payments.

10 For claims for services rendered during a period for which
11 a recipient received retroactive eligibility, claims must be
12 filed within 180 days after the Department determines the
13 applicant is eligible. For claims for which the Illinois
14 Department is not the primary payer, claims must be submitted
15 to the Illinois Department within 180 days after the final
16 adjudication by the primary payer.

17 In the case of long term care facilities, within 45
18 calendar days of receipt by the facility of required
19 prescreening information, new admissions with associated
20 admission documents shall be submitted through the Medical
21 Electronic Data Interchange (MEDI) or the Recipient
22 Eligibility Verification (REV) System or shall be submitted
23 directly to the Department of Human Services using required
24 admission forms. Effective September 1, 2014, admission
25 documents, including all prescreening information, must be
26 submitted through MEDI or REV. Confirmation numbers assigned to

1 an accepted transaction shall be retained by a facility to
2 verify timely submittal. Once an admission transaction has been
3 completed, all resubmitted claims following prior rejection
4 are subject to receipt no later than 180 days after the
5 admission transaction has been completed.

6 Claims that are not submitted and received in compliance
7 with the foregoing requirements shall not be eligible for
8 payment under the medical assistance program, and the State
9 shall have no liability for payment of those claims.

10 To the extent consistent with applicable information and
11 privacy, security, and disclosure laws, State and federal
12 agencies and departments shall provide the Illinois Department
13 access to confidential and other information and data necessary
14 to perform eligibility and payment verifications and other
15 Illinois Department functions. This includes, but is not
16 limited to: information pertaining to licensure;
17 certification; earnings; immigration status; citizenship; wage
18 reporting; unearned and earned income; pension income;
19 employment; supplemental security income; social security
20 numbers; National Provider Identifier (NPI) numbers; the
21 National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB); program and agency
22 exclusions; taxpayer identification numbers; tax delinquency;
23 corporate information; and death records.

24 The Illinois Department shall enter into agreements with
25 State agencies and departments, and is authorized to enter into
26 agreements with federal agencies and departments, under which

1 such agencies and departments shall share data necessary for
2 medical assistance program integrity functions and oversight.
3 The Illinois Department shall develop, in cooperation with
4 other State departments and agencies, and in compliance with
5 applicable federal laws and regulations, appropriate and
6 effective methods to share such data. At a minimum, and to the
7 extent necessary to provide data sharing, the Illinois
8 Department shall enter into agreements with State agencies and
9 departments, and is authorized to enter into agreements with
10 federal agencies and departments, including but not limited to:
11 the Secretary of State; the Department of Revenue; the
12 Department of Public Health; the Department of Human Services;
13 and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

14 Beginning in fiscal year 2013, the Illinois Department
15 shall set forth a request for information to identify the
16 benefits of a pre-payment, post-adjudication, and post-edit
17 claims system with the goals of streamlining claims processing
18 and provider reimbursement, reducing the number of pending or
19 rejected claims, and helping to ensure a more transparent
20 adjudication process through the utilization of: (i) provider
21 data verification and provider screening technology; and (ii)
22 clinical code editing; and (iii) pre-pay, pre- or
23 post-adjudicated predictive modeling with an integrated case
24 management system with link analysis. Such a request for
25 information shall not be considered as a request for proposal
26 or as an obligation on the part of the Illinois Department to

1 take any action or acquire any products or services.

2 The Illinois Department shall establish policies,
3 procedures, standards and criteria by rule for the acquisition,
4 repair and replacement of orthotic and prosthetic devices and
5 durable medical equipment. Such rules shall provide, but not be
6 limited to, the following services: (1) immediate repair or
7 replacement of such devices by recipients; and (2) rental,
8 lease, purchase or lease-purchase of durable medical equipment
9 in a cost-effective manner, taking into consideration the
10 recipient's medical prognosis, the extent of the recipient's
11 needs, and the requirements and costs for maintaining such
12 equipment. Subject to prior approval, such rules shall enable a
13 recipient to temporarily acquire and use alternative or
14 substitute devices or equipment pending repairs or
15 replacements of any device or equipment previously authorized
16 for such recipient by the Department. Notwithstanding any
17 provision of Section 5-5f to the contrary, the Department may,
18 by rule, exempt certain replacement wheelchair parts from prior
19 approval and, for wheelchairs, wheelchair parts, wheelchair
20 accessories, and related seating and positioning items,
21 determine the wholesale price by methods other than actual
22 acquisition costs.

23 The Department shall require, by rule, all providers of
24 durable medical equipment to be accredited by an accreditation
25 organization approved by the federal Centers for Medicare and
26 Medicaid Services and recognized by the Department in order to

1 bill the Department for providing durable medical equipment to
2 recipients. No later than 15 months after the effective date of
3 the rule adopted pursuant to this paragraph, all providers must
4 meet the accreditation requirement.

5 The Department shall execute, relative to the nursing home
6 prescreening project, written inter-agency agreements with the
7 Department of Human Services and the Department on Aging, to
8 effect the following: (i) intake procedures and common
9 eligibility criteria for those persons who are receiving
10 non-institutional services; and (ii) the establishment and
11 development of non-institutional services in areas of the State
12 where they are not currently available or are undeveloped; and
13 (iii) notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to
14 federal approval, on and after July 1, 2012, an increase in the
15 determination of need (DON) scores from 29 to 37 for applicants
16 for institutional and home and community-based long term care;
17 if and only if federal approval is not granted, the Department
18 may, in conjunction with other affected agencies, implement
19 utilization controls or changes in benefit packages to
20 effectuate a similar savings amount for this population; and
21 (iv) no later than July 1, 2013, minimum level of care
22 eligibility criteria for institutional and home and
23 community-based long term care; and (v) no later than October
24 1, 2013, establish procedures to permit long term care
25 providers access to eligibility scores for individuals with an
26 admission date who are seeking or receiving services from the

1 long term care provider. In order to select the minimum level
2 of care eligibility criteria, the Governor shall establish a
3 workgroup that includes affected agency representatives and
4 stakeholders representing the institutional and home and
5 community-based long term care interests. This Section shall
6 not restrict the Department from implementing lower level of
7 care eligibility criteria for community-based services in
8 circumstances where federal approval has been granted.

9 The Illinois Department shall develop and operate, in
10 cooperation with other State Departments and agencies and in
11 compliance with applicable federal laws and regulations,
12 appropriate and effective systems of health care evaluation and
13 programs for monitoring of utilization of health care services
14 and facilities, as it affects persons eligible for medical
15 assistance under this Code.

16 The Illinois Department shall report annually to the
17 General Assembly, no later than the second Friday in April of
18 1979 and each year thereafter, in regard to:

19 (a) actual statistics and trends in utilization of
20 medical services by public aid recipients;

21 (b) actual statistics and trends in the provision of
22 the various medical services by medical vendors;

23 (c) current rate structures and proposed changes in
24 those rate structures for the various medical vendors; and

25 (d) efforts at utilization review and control by the
26 Illinois Department.

1 The period covered by each report shall be the 3 years
2 ending on the June 30 prior to the report. The report shall
3 include suggested legislation for consideration by the General
4 Assembly. The filing of one copy of the report with the
5 Speaker, one copy with the Minority Leader and one copy with
6 the Clerk of the House of Representatives, one copy with the
7 President, one copy with the Minority Leader and one copy with
8 the Secretary of the Senate, one copy with the Legislative
9 Research Unit, and such additional copies with the State
10 Government Report Distribution Center for the General Assembly
11 as is required under paragraph (t) of Section 7 of the State
12 Library Act shall be deemed sufficient to comply with this
13 Section.

14 Rulemaking authority to implement Public Act 95-1045, if
15 any, is conditioned on the rules being adopted in accordance
16 with all provisions of the Illinois Administrative Procedure
17 Act and all rules and procedures of the Joint Committee on
18 Administrative Rules; any purported rule not so adopted, for
19 whatever reason, is unauthorized.

20 On and after July 1, 2012, the Department shall reduce any
21 rate of reimbursement for services or other payments or alter
22 any methodologies authorized by this Code to reduce any rate of
23 reimbursement for services or other payments in accordance with
24 Section 5-5e.

25 Because kidney transplantation can be an appropriate, cost
26 effective alternative to renal dialysis when medically

1 necessary and notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1-11 of
2 this Code, beginning October 1, 2014, the Department shall
3 cover kidney transplantation for noncitizens with end-stage
4 renal disease who are not eligible for comprehensive medical
5 benefits, who meet the residency requirements of Section 5-3 of
6 this Code, and who would otherwise meet the financial
7 requirements of the appropriate class of eligible persons under
8 Section 5-2 of this Code. To qualify for coverage of kidney
9 transplantation, such person must be receiving emergency renal
10 dialysis services covered by the Department. Providers under
11 this Section shall be prior approved and certified by the
12 Department to perform kidney transplantation and the services
13 under this Section shall be limited to services associated with
14 kidney transplantation.

15 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the
16 contrary, on or after July 1, 2015, all FDA approved forms of
17 medication assisted treatment prescribed for the treatment of
18 alcohol dependence or treatment of opioid dependence shall be
19 covered under both fee for service and managed care medical
20 assistance programs for persons who are otherwise eligible for
21 medical assistance under this Article and shall not be subject
22 to any (1) utilization control, other than those established
23 under the American Society of Addiction Medicine patient
24 placement criteria, (2) prior authorization mandate, or (3)
25 lifetime restriction limit mandate.

26 On or after July 1, 2015, opioid antagonists prescribed for

1 the treatment of an opioid overdose, including the medication
2 product, administration devices, and any pharmacy fees related
3 to the dispensing and administration of the opioid antagonist,
4 shall be covered under the medical assistance program for
5 persons who are otherwise eligible for medical assistance under
6 this Article. As used in this Section, "opioid antagonist"
7 means a drug that binds to opioid receptors and blocks or
8 inhibits the effect of opioids acting on those receptors,
9 including, but not limited to, naloxone hydrochloride or any
10 other similarly acting drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug
11 Administration.

12 Upon federal approval, the Department shall provide
13 coverage and reimbursement for all drugs that are approved for
14 marketing by the federal Food and Drug Administration and that
15 are recommended by the federal Public Health Service or the
16 United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for
17 pre-exposure prophylaxis and related pre-exposure prophylaxis
18 services, including, but not limited to, HIV and sexually
19 transmitted infection screening, treatment for sexually
20 transmitted infections, medical monitoring, assorted labs, and
21 counseling to reduce the likelihood of HIV infection among
22 individuals who are not infected with HIV but who are at high
23 risk of HIV infection.

24 (Source: P.A. 99-78, eff. 7-20-15; 99-180, eff. 7-29-15;
25 99-236, eff. 8-3-15; 99-407 (see Section 20 of P.A. 99-588 for
26 the effective date of P.A. 99-407); 99-433, eff. 8-21-15;

1 99-480, eff. 9-9-15; 99-588, eff. 7-20-16; 99-642, eff.
2 7-28-16; 99-772, eff. 1-1-17; 99-895, eff. 1-1-17; 100-201,
3 eff. 8-18-17; 100-395, eff. 1-1-18; 100-449, eff. 1-1-18;
4 100-538, eff. 1-1-18; revised 10-26-17.)

5 (305 ILCS 5/5-30)

6 Sec. 5-30. Care coordination.

7 (a) At least 50% of recipients eligible for comprehensive
8 medical benefits in all medical assistance programs or other
9 health benefit programs administered by the Department,
10 including the Children's Health Insurance Program Act and the
11 Covering ALL KIDS Health Insurance Act, shall be enrolled in a
12 care coordination program by no later than January 1, 2015. For
13 purposes of this Section, "coordinated care" or "care
14 coordination" means delivery systems where recipients will
15 receive their care from providers who participate under
16 contract in integrated delivery systems that are responsible
17 for providing or arranging the majority of care, including
18 primary care physician services, referrals from primary care
19 physicians, diagnostic and treatment services, behavioral
20 health services, in-patient and outpatient hospital services,
21 dental services, and rehabilitation and long-term care
22 services. The Department shall designate or contract for such
23 integrated delivery systems (i) to ensure enrollees have a
24 choice of systems and of primary care providers within such
25 systems; (ii) to ensure that enrollees receive quality care in

1 a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner; and (iii)
2 to ensure that coordinated care programs meet the diverse needs
3 of enrollees with developmental, mental health, physical, and
4 age-related disabilities.

5 (b) Payment for such coordinated care shall be based on
6 arrangements where the State pays for performance related to
7 health care outcomes, the use of evidence-based practices, the
8 use of primary care delivered through comprehensive medical
9 homes, the use of electronic medical records, and the
10 appropriate exchange of health information electronically made
11 either on a capitated basis in which a fixed monthly premium
12 per recipient is paid and full financial risk is assumed for
13 the delivery of services, or through other risk-based payment
14 arrangements.

15 (c) To qualify for compliance with this Section, the 50%
16 goal shall be achieved by enrolling medical assistance
17 enrollees from each medical assistance enrollment category,
18 including parents, children, seniors, and people with
19 disabilities to the extent that current State Medicaid payment
20 laws would not limit federal matching funds for recipients in
21 care coordination programs. In addition, services must be more
22 comprehensively defined and more risk shall be assumed than in
23 the Department's primary care case management program as of
24 January 25, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1501).

25 (d) The Department shall report to the General Assembly in
26 a separate part of its annual medical assistance program

1 report, beginning April, 2012 until April, 2016, on the
2 progress and implementation of the care coordination program
3 initiatives established by the provisions of Public Act
4 96-1501. The Department shall include in its April 2011 report
5 a full analysis of federal laws or regulations regarding upper
6 payment limitations to providers and the necessary revisions or
7 adjustments in rate methodologies and payments to providers
8 under this Code that would be necessary to implement
9 coordinated care with full financial risk by a party other than
10 the Department.

11 (e) Integrated Care Program for individuals with chronic
12 mental health conditions.

13 (1) The Integrated Care Program shall encompass
14 services administered to recipients of medical assistance
15 under this Article to prevent exacerbations and
16 complications using cost-effective, evidence-based
17 practice guidelines and mental health management
18 strategies.

19 (2) The Department may utilize and expand upon existing
20 contractual arrangements with integrated care plans under
21 the Integrated Care Program for providing the coordinated
22 care provisions of this Section.

23 (3) Payment for such coordinated care shall be based on
24 arrangements where the State pays for performance related
25 to mental health outcomes on a capitated basis in which a
26 fixed monthly premium per recipient is paid and full

1 financial risk is assumed for the delivery of services, or
2 through other risk-based payment arrangements such as
3 provider-based care coordination.

4 (4) The Department shall examine whether chronic
5 mental health management programs and services for
6 recipients with specific chronic mental health conditions
7 do any or all of the following:

8 (A) Improve the patient's overall mental health in
9 a more expeditious and cost-effective manner.

10 (B) Lower costs in other aspects of the medical
11 assistance program, such as hospital admissions,
12 emergency room visits, or more frequent and
13 inappropriate psychotropic drug use.

14 (5) The Department shall work with the facilities and
15 any integrated care plan participating in the program to
16 identify and correct barriers to the successful
17 implementation of this subsection (e) prior to and during
18 the implementation to best facilitate the goals and
19 objectives of this subsection (e).

20 (f) A hospital that is located in a county of the State in
21 which the Department mandates some or all of the beneficiaries
22 of the Medical Assistance Program residing in the county to
23 enroll in a Care Coordination Program, as set forth in Section
24 5-30 of this Code, shall not be eligible for any non-claims
25 based payments not mandated by Article V-A of this Code for
26 which it would otherwise be qualified to receive, unless the

1 hospital is a Coordinated Care Participating Hospital no later
2 than 60 days after June 14, 2012 (the effective date of Public
3 Act 97-689) or 60 days after the first mandatory enrollment of
4 a beneficiary in a Coordinated Care program. For purposes of
5 this subsection, "Coordinated Care Participating Hospital"
6 means a hospital that meets one of the following criteria:

7 (1) The hospital has entered into a contract to provide
8 hospital services with one or more MCOs to enrollees of the
9 care coordination program.

10 (2) The hospital has not been offered a contract by a
11 care coordination plan that the Department has determined
12 to be a good faith offer and that pays at least as much as
13 the Department would pay, on a fee-for-service basis, not
14 including disproportionate share hospital adjustment
15 payments or any other supplemental adjustment or add-on
16 payment to the base fee-for-service rate, except to the
17 extent such adjustments or add-on payments are
18 incorporated into the development of the applicable MCO
19 capitated rates.

20 As used in this subsection (f), "MCO" means any entity
21 which contracts with the Department to provide services where
22 payment for medical services is made on a capitated basis.

23 (g) No later than August 1, 2013, the Department shall
24 issue a purchase of care solicitation for Accountable Care
25 Entities (ACE) to serve any children and parents or caretaker
26 relatives of children eligible for medical assistance under

1 this Article. An ACE may be a single corporate structure or a
2 network of providers organized through contractual
3 relationships with a single corporate entity. The solicitation
4 shall require that:

5 (1) An ACE operating in Cook County be capable of
6 serving at least 40,000 eligible individuals in that
7 county; an ACE operating in Lake, Kane, DuPage, or Will
8 Counties be capable of serving at least 20,000 eligible
9 individuals in those counties and an ACE operating in other
10 regions of the State be capable of serving at least 10,000
11 eligible individuals in the region in which it operates.
12 During initial periods of mandatory enrollment, the
13 Department shall require its enrollment services
14 contractor to use a default assignment algorithm that
15 ensures if possible an ACE reaches the minimum enrollment
16 levels set forth in this paragraph.

17 (2) An ACE must include at a minimum the following
18 types of providers: primary care, specialty care,
19 hospitals, and behavioral healthcare.

20 (3) An ACE shall have a governance structure that
21 includes the major components of the health care delivery
22 system, including one representative from each of the
23 groups listed in paragraph (2).

24 (4) An ACE must be an integrated delivery system,
25 including a network able to provide the full range of
26 services needed by Medicaid beneficiaries and system

1 capacity to securely pass clinical information across
2 participating entities and to aggregate and analyze that
3 data in order to coordinate care.

4 (5) An ACE must be capable of providing both care
5 coordination and complex case management, as necessary, to
6 beneficiaries. To be responsive to the solicitation, a
7 potential ACE must outline its care coordination and
8 complex case management model and plan to reduce the cost
9 of care.

10 (6) In the first 18 months of operation, unless the ACE
11 selects a shorter period, an ACE shall be paid care
12 coordination fees on a per member per month basis that are
13 projected to be cost neutral to the State during the term
14 of their payment and, subject to federal approval, be
15 eligible to share in additional savings generated by their
16 care coordination.

17 (7) In months 19 through 36 of operation, unless the
18 ACE selects a shorter period, an ACE shall be paid on a
19 pre-paid capitation basis for all medical assistance
20 covered services, under contract terms similar to Managed
21 Care Organizations (MCO), with the Department sharing the
22 risk through either stop-loss insurance for extremely high
23 cost individuals or corridors of shared risk based on the
24 overall cost of the total enrollment in the ACE. The ACE
25 shall be responsible for claims processing, encounter data
26 submission, utilization control, and quality assurance.

1 (8) In the fourth and subsequent years of operation, an
2 ACE shall convert to a Managed Care Community Network
3 (MCCN), as defined in this Article, or Health Maintenance
4 Organization pursuant to the Illinois Insurance Code,
5 accepting full-risk capitation payments.

6 The Department shall allow potential ACE entities 5 months
7 from the date of the posting of the solicitation to submit
8 proposals. After the solicitation is released, in addition to
9 the MCO rate development data available on the Department's
10 website, subject to federal and State confidentiality and
11 privacy laws and regulations, the Department shall provide 2
12 years of de-identified summary service data on the targeted
13 population, split between children and adults, showing the
14 historical type and volume of services received and the cost of
15 those services to those potential bidders that sign a data use
16 agreement. The Department may add up to 2 non-state government
17 employees with expertise in creating integrated delivery
18 systems to its review team for the purchase of care
19 solicitation described in this subsection. Any such
20 individuals must sign a no-conflict disclosure and
21 confidentiality agreement and agree to act in accordance with
22 all applicable State laws.

23 During the first 2 years of an ACE's operation, the
24 Department shall provide claims data to the ACE on its
25 enrollees on a periodic basis no less frequently than monthly.

26 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit the

1 Department's mandate to enroll 50% of its beneficiaries into
2 care coordination systems by January 1, 2015, using all
3 available care coordination delivery systems, including Care
4 Coordination Entities (CCE), MCCNs, or MCOs, nor be construed
5 to affect the current CCEs, MCCNs, and MCOs selected to serve
6 seniors and persons with disabilities prior to that date.

7 Nothing in this subsection precludes the Department from
8 considering future proposals for new ACEs or expansion of
9 existing ACEs at the discretion of the Department.

10 (h) Department contracts with MCOs and other entities
11 reimbursed by risk based capitation shall have a minimum
12 medical loss ratio of 85%, shall require the entity to
13 establish an appeals and grievances process for consumers and
14 providers, and shall require the entity to provide a quality
15 assurance and utilization review program. Entities contracted
16 with the Department to coordinate healthcare regardless of risk
17 shall be measured utilizing the same quality metrics. The
18 quality metrics may be population specific. Any contracted
19 entity serving at least 5,000 seniors or people with
20 disabilities or 15,000 individuals in other populations
21 covered by the Medical Assistance Program that has been
22 receiving full-risk capitation for a year shall be accredited
23 by a national accreditation organization authorized by the
24 Department within 2 years after the date it is eligible to
25 become accredited. The requirements of this subsection shall
26 apply to contracts with MCOs entered into or renewed or

1 extended after June 1, 2013.

2 (h-5) The Department shall monitor and enforce compliance
3 by MCOs with agreements they have entered into with providers
4 on issues that include, but are not limited to, timeliness of
5 payment, payment rates, and processes for obtaining prior
6 approval. The Department may impose sanctions on MCOs for
7 violating provisions of those agreements that include, but are
8 not limited to, financial penalties, suspension of enrollment
9 of new enrollees, and termination of the MCO's contract with
10 the Department. As used in this subsection (h-5), "MCO" has the
11 meaning ascribed to that term in Section 5-30.1 of this Code.

12 (i) Unless otherwise required by federal law, Medicaid
13 Managed Care Entities and their respective business associates
14 shall not disclose, directly or indirectly, including by
15 sending a bill or explanation of benefits, information
16 concerning the sensitive health services received by enrollees
17 of the Medicaid Managed Care Entity to any person other than
18 covered entities and business associates, which may receive,
19 use, and further disclose such information solely for the
20 purposes permitted under applicable federal and State laws and
21 regulations if such use and further disclosure satisfies all
22 applicable requirements of such laws and regulations. The
23 Medicaid Managed Care Entity or its respective business
24 associates may disclose information concerning the sensitive
25 health services if the enrollee who received the sensitive
26 health services requests the information from the Medicaid

1 Managed Care Entity or its respective business associates and
2 authorized the sending of a bill or explanation of benefits.
3 Communications including, but not limited to, statements of
4 care received or appointment reminders either directly or
5 indirectly to the enrollee from the health care provider,
6 health care professional, and care coordinators, remain
7 permissible. Medicaid Managed Care Entities or their
8 respective business associates may communicate directly with
9 their enrollees regarding care coordination activities for
10 those enrollees.

11 For the purposes of this subsection, the term "Medicaid
12 Managed Care Entity" includes Care Coordination Entities,
13 Accountable Care Entities, Managed Care Organizations, and
14 Managed Care Community Networks.

15 For purposes of this subsection, the term "sensitive health
16 services" means mental health services, substance abuse
17 treatment services, reproductive health services, family
18 planning services, services for sexually transmitted
19 infections and sexually transmitted diseases, and services for
20 sexual assault or domestic abuse. Services include prevention,
21 screening, consultation, examination, treatment, or follow-up.

22 For purposes of this subsection, "business associate",
23 "covered entity", "disclosure", and "use" have the meanings
24 ascribed to those terms in 45 CFR 160.103.

25 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to relieve a
26 Medicaid Managed Care Entity or the Department of any duty to

1 report incidents of sexually transmitted infections to the
2 Department of Public Health or to the local board of health in
3 accordance with regulations adopted under a statute or
4 ordinance or to report incidents of sexually transmitted
5 infections as necessary to comply with the requirements under
6 Section 5 of the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act or as
7 otherwise required by State or federal law.

8 The Department shall create policy in order to implement
9 the requirements in this subsection.

10 (j) Managed Care Entities (MCEs), including MCOs and all
11 other care coordination organizations, shall develop and
12 maintain a written language access policy that sets forth the
13 standards, guidelines, and operational plan to ensure language
14 appropriate services and that is consistent with the standard
15 of meaningful access for populations with limited English
16 proficiency. The language access policy shall describe how the
17 MCEs will provide all of the following required services:

18 (1) Translation (the written replacement of text from
19 one language into another) of all vital documents and forms
20 as identified by the Department.

21 (2) Qualified interpreter services (the oral
22 communication of a message from one language into another
23 by a qualified interpreter).

24 (3) Staff training on the language access policy,
25 including how to identify language needs, access and
26 provide language assistance services, work with

1 interpreters, request translations, and track the use of
2 language assistance services.

3 (4) Data tracking that identifies the language need.

4 (5) Notification to participants on the availability
5 of language access services and on how to access such
6 services.

7 (k) The Department shall actively monitor the contractual
8 relationship between Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and any
9 dental administrator contracted by an MCO to provide dental
10 services. The Department shall adopt appropriate dental
11 Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS)
12 measures and shall include the Annual Dental Visit (ADV) HEDIS
13 measure in its Health Plan Comparison Tool and Illinois
14 Medicaid Plan Report Card that is available on the Department's
15 website for enrolled individuals.

16 The Department shall collect from each MCO specific
17 information about the types of contracted, broad-based care
18 coordination occurring between the MCO and any dental
19 administrator, including, but not limited to, pregnant women
20 and diabetic patients in need of oral care.

21 (Source: P.A. 98-104, eff. 7-22-13; 98-651, eff. 6-16-14;
22 99-106, eff. 1-1-16; 99-181, eff. 7-29-15; 99-566, eff. 1-1-17;
23 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

24 (305 ILCS 5/5-30.1)

25 Sec. 5-30.1. Managed care protections.

1 (a) As used in this Section:

2 "Managed care organization" or "MCO" means any entity which
3 contracts with the Department to provide services where payment
4 for medical services is made on a capitated basis.

5 "Emergency services" include:

6 (1) emergency services, as defined by Section 10 of the
7 Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights Act;

8 (2) emergency medical screening examinations, as
9 defined by Section 10 of the Managed Care Reform and
10 Patient Rights Act;

11 (3) post-stabilization medical services, as defined by
12 Section 10 of the Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights
13 Act; and

14 (4) emergency medical conditions, as defined by
15 Section 10 of the Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights
16 Act.

17 (b) As provided by Section 5-16.12, managed care
18 organizations are subject to the provisions of the Managed Care
19 Reform and Patient Rights Act.

20 (c) An MCO shall pay any provider of emergency services
21 that does not have in effect a contract with the contracted
22 Medicaid MCO. The default rate of reimbursement shall be the
23 rate paid under Illinois Medicaid fee-for-service program
24 methodology, including all policy adjusters, including but not
25 limited to Medicaid High Volume Adjustments, Medicaid
26 Percentage Adjustments, Outpatient High Volume Adjustments,

1 and all outlier add-on adjustments to the extent such
2 adjustments are incorporated in the development of the
3 applicable MCO capitated rates.

4 (d) An MCO shall pay for all post-stabilization services as
5 a covered service in any of the following situations:

6 (1) the MCO authorized such services;

7 (2) such services were administered to maintain the
8 enrollee's stabilized condition within one hour after a
9 request to the MCO for authorization of further
10 post-stabilization services;

11 (3) the MCO did not respond to a request to authorize
12 such services within one hour;

13 (4) the MCO could not be contacted; or

14 (5) the MCO and the treating provider, if the treating
15 provider is a non-affiliated provider, could not reach an
16 agreement concerning the enrollee's care and an affiliated
17 provider was unavailable for a consultation, in which case
18 the MCO must pay for such services rendered by the treating
19 non-affiliated provider until an affiliated provider was
20 reached and either concurred with the treating
21 non-affiliated provider's plan of care or assumed
22 responsibility for the enrollee's care. Such payment shall
23 be made at the default rate of reimbursement paid under
24 Illinois Medicaid fee-for-service program methodology,
25 including all policy adjusters, including but not limited
26 to Medicaid High Volume Adjustments, Medicaid Percentage

1 Adjustments, Outpatient High Volume Adjustments and all
2 outlier add-on adjustments to the extent that such
3 adjustments are incorporated in the development of the
4 applicable MCO capitated rates.

5 (e) The following requirements apply to MCOs in determining
6 payment for all emergency services:

7 (1) MCOs shall not impose any requirements for prior
8 approval of emergency services.

9 (2) The MCO shall cover emergency services provided to
10 enrollees who are temporarily away from their residence and
11 outside the contracting area to the extent that the
12 enrollees would be entitled to the emergency services if
13 they still were within the contracting area.

14 (3) The MCO shall have no obligation to cover medical
15 services provided on an emergency basis that are not
16 covered services under the contract.

17 (4) The MCO shall not condition coverage for emergency
18 services on the treating provider notifying the MCO of the
19 enrollee's screening and treatment within 10 days after
20 presentation for emergency services.

21 (5) The determination of the attending emergency
22 physician, or the provider actually treating the enrollee,
23 of whether an enrollee is sufficiently stabilized for
24 discharge or transfer to another facility, shall be binding
25 on the MCO. The MCO shall cover emergency services for all
26 enrollees whether the emergency services are provided by an

1 affiliated or non-affiliated provider.

2 (6) The MCO's financial responsibility for
3 post-stabilization care services it has not pre-approved
4 ends when:

5 (A) a plan physician with privileges at the
6 treating hospital assumes responsibility for the
7 enrollee's care;

8 (B) a plan physician assumes responsibility for
9 the enrollee's care through transfer;

10 (C) a contracting entity representative and the
11 treating physician reach an agreement concerning the
12 enrollee's care; or

13 (D) the enrollee is discharged.

14 (f) Network adequacy and transparency.

15 (1) The Department shall:

16 (A) ensure that an adequate provider network is in
17 place, taking into consideration health professional
18 shortage areas and medically underserved areas;

19 (B) publicly release an explanation of its process
20 for analyzing network adequacy;

21 (C) periodically ensure that an MCO continues to
22 have an adequate network in place; and

23 (D) require MCOs, including Medicaid Managed Care
24 Entities as defined in Section 5-30.2, to meet provider
25 directory requirements under Section 5-30.3.

26 (2) Each MCO shall confirm its receipt of information

1 submitted specific to physician or dentist additions or
2 physician or dentist deletions from the MCO's provider
3 network within 3 days after receiving all required
4 information from contracted physicians or dentists, and
5 electronic physician and dental directories must be
6 updated consistent with current rules as published by the
7 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services or its successor
8 agency.

9 (g) Timely payment of claims.

10 (1) The MCO shall pay a claim within 30 days of
11 receiving a claim that contains all the essential
12 information needed to adjudicate the claim.

13 (2) The MCO shall notify the billing party of its
14 inability to adjudicate a claim within 30 days of receiving
15 that claim.

16 (3) The MCO shall pay a penalty that is at least equal
17 to the penalty imposed under the Illinois Insurance Code
18 for any claims not timely paid.

19 (4) The Department may establish a process for MCOs to
20 expedite payments to providers based on criteria
21 established by the Department.

22 (g-5) Recognizing that the rapid transformation of the
23 Illinois Medicaid program may have unintended operational
24 challenges for both payers and providers:

25 (1) in no instance shall a medically necessary covered
26 service rendered in good faith, based upon eligibility

1 information documented by the provider, be denied coverage
2 or diminished in payment amount if the eligibility or
3 coverage information available at the time the service was
4 rendered is later found to be inaccurate; and

5 (2) the Department shall, by December 31, 2016, adopt
6 rules establishing policies that shall be included in the
7 Medicaid managed care policy and procedures manual
8 addressing payment resolutions in situations in which a
9 provider renders services based upon information obtained
10 after verifying a patient's eligibility and coverage plan
11 through either the Department's current enrollment system
12 or a system operated by the coverage plan identified by the
13 patient presenting for services:

14 (A) such medically necessary covered services
15 shall be considered rendered in good faith;

16 (B) such policies and procedures shall be
17 developed in consultation with industry
18 representatives of the Medicaid managed care health
19 plans and representatives of provider associations
20 representing the majority of providers within the
21 identified provider industry; and

22 (C) such rules shall be published for a review and
23 comment period of no less than 30 days on the
24 Department's website with final rules remaining
25 available on the Department's website.

26 (3) The rules on payment resolutions shall include, but

1 not be limited to:

2 (A) the extension of the timely filing period;

3 (B) retroactive prior authorizations; and

4 (C) guaranteed minimum payment rate of no less than
5 the current, as of the date of service, fee-for-service
6 rate, plus all applicable add-ons, when the resulting
7 service relationship is out of network.

8 (4) The rules shall be applicable for both MCO coverage
9 and fee-for-service coverage.

10 (g-6) MCO Performance Metrics Report.

11 (1) The Department shall publish, on at least a
12 quarterly basis, each MCO's operational performance,
13 including, but not limited to, the following categories of
14 metrics:

15 (A) claims payment, including timeliness and
16 accuracy;

17 (B) prior authorizations;

18 (C) grievance and appeals;

19 (D) utilization statistics;

20 (E) provider disputes;

21 (F) provider credentialing; and

22 (G) member and provider customer service.

23 (2) The Department shall ensure that the metrics report
24 is accessible to providers online by January 1, 2017.

25 (3) The metrics shall be developed in consultation with
26 industry representatives of the Medicaid managed care

1 health plans and representatives of associations
2 representing the majority of providers within the
3 identified industry.

4 (4) Metrics shall be defined and incorporated into the
5 applicable Managed Care Policy Manual issued by the
6 Department.

7 (g-7) MCO claims processing and performance analysis. In
8 order to monitor MCO payments to hospital providers, pursuant
9 to this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, the
10 Department shall post an analysis of MCO claims processing and
11 payment performance on its website every 6 months. Such
12 analysis shall include a review and evaluation of a
13 representative sample of hospital claims that are rejected and
14 denied for clean and unclean claims and the top 5 reasons for
15 such actions and timeliness of claims adjudication, which
16 identifies the percentage of claims adjudicated within 30, 60,
17 90, and over 90 days, and the dollar amounts associated with
18 those claims. The Department shall post the contracted claims
19 report required by HealthChoice Illinois on its website every 3
20 months.

21 (h) The Department shall not expand mandatory MCO
22 enrollment into new counties beyond those counties already
23 designated by the Department as of June 1, 2014 for the
24 individuals whose eligibility for medical assistance is not the
25 seniors or people with disabilities population until the
26 Department provides an opportunity for accountable care

1 entities and MCOs to participate in such newly designated
2 counties.

3 (i) The requirements of this Section apply to contracts
4 with accountable care entities and MCOs entered into, amended,
5 or renewed after June 16, 2014 (the effective date of Public
6 Act 98-651).

7 (Source: P.A. 99-725, eff. 8-5-16; 99-751, eff. 8-5-16;
8 100-201, eff. 8-18-17; 100-580, eff. 3-12-18.)

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
10 becoming law.".