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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to reimbursement of Medicaid providers; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide reimbursement for physician and dental services at certain levels and rates; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (12) of section 409.908, Florida Statutes, to read:

409.908 Reimbursement of Medicaid providers.--Subject to specific appropriations, the agency shall reimburse Medicaid providers, in accordance with state and federal law, according to methodologies set forth in the rules of the agency and in policy manuals and handbooks incorporated by reference therein. These methodologies may include fee schedules, reimbursement methods based on cost reporting, negotiated fees, competitive bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, and other mechanisms the agency considers efficient and effective for purchasing services or goods on behalf of recipients. If a provider is reimbursed based on cost reporting and submits a cost report late and that cost report would have been used to set a lower reimbursement rate for a rate semester, then the provider's rate for that semester shall be retroactively calculated using the new cost report, and full payment at the recalculated rate shall be effected retroactively. Medicare-granted extensions for filing cost reports, if applicable, shall also apply to Medicaid cost reports. Payment for Medicaid compensable services made on

1 | behalf of Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the
2 | availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
3 | provided for in the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.
4 | Further, nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent
5 | or limit the agency from adjusting fees, reimbursement rates,
6 | lengths of stay, number of visits, or number of services, or
7 | making any other adjustments necessary to comply with the
8 | availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
9 | provided for in the General Appropriations Act, provided the
10 | adjustment is consistent with legislative intent.

11 | (12)

12 | (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
13 | subsection, the agency shall provide reimbursement for
14 | physician and dental services provided to children younger
15 | than 21 years of age at least at the level provided by federal
16 | law for physician reimbursement under the Medicare program and
17 | provide reimbursement for dental services at 50 percent of
18 | usual and customary rates provided for dental services. The
19 | agency shall include in all managed care contracts a
20 | requirement to provide at least such reimbursement for
21 | physician and dental services.

22 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.
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