

By Senator Osgood

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to federal approval for community  
3           health workers as Medicaid providers; requiring the  
4           Agency for Health Care Administration to seek federal  
5           approval by a specified date to enroll and recognize  
6           community health workers as Medicaid providers and to  
7           use certain funds and means to secure financing for  
8           the workers' services; providing guidelines for the  
9           federal approval; providing reporting requirements;  
10          providing an effective date.

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

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14           Section 1. (1) By September 30, 2025, the Agency for  
15 Health Care Administration shall seek federal approval, through  
16 a Medicaid waiver or a state plan amendment, to formally enroll  
17 and recognize community health workers as Medicaid providers and  
18 to use Medicaid matching funds and other means to secure  
19 financing for community health worker services. The appropriate  
20 federal approval must allow for community health worker services  
21 on a statewide basis and must not be a limited geography waiver.  
22 The federal approval must also maximize the use of community  
23 health workers by providing financing that includes fee-for-  
24 service reimbursement, value-based payment, or a combination of  
25 fee-for-service reimbursement and value-based payment for all  
26 services commensurate to the workers' scope of training and  
27 abilities as provided by evidence-based research and programs.  
28           (2) By September 30, 2026, the Agency for Health Care  
29 Administration shall submit a report to the Legislature on the

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30 progress of meeting the requirements in subsection (1).

31 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.