



State Budget Conference Chairs

Bump Issues Senate Offer #3

Conforming Language SB 1484 - Medicaid

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Health Care Appropriations – Health and Human Services Appropriations Fiscal Year 2010-2011

Senate Offer #3

CS/CS/Senate Bill 1484, First Engrossed, relating to Health and Human Services Appropriations

House/Senate Concur - Closed Provisions

Replace all existing language with the following provisions:

- Directs the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) to request an extension of the current Medicaid Reform waiver obtained under section 1115 of the Social Security Act and to preserve the Low Income Pool provisions of the waiver. The AHCA is required to provide the Legislature and the Governor with monthly progress on the waiver extension negotiations.
- Directs the AHCA to develop methodologies to integrate the use of intergovernmental transfers and certified public expenditures into the payment methodology for capitated Medicaid managed care plans. Requires the Secretary of the AHCA to convene a workgroup of stakeholders. The workgroup shall include individuals representing hospitals, counties, medical schools, managed care plans, and Medicaid provider-service-networks.
- Incorporate the provisions of CS/CS Senate Bill 8, First Engrossed, relating to Medicaid and Public Assistance Fraud

Senate offers the following additional provisions:

- 1. Revises the requirements for the selection of a behavioral health care provider in Broward County for children who have a case open in the Department of Children and Family Services's HomeSafeNet (HSN, Florida's child welfare reporting system), to allow those children who are in the custody of the State to enroll in a managed care plan which provides both physical and mental health care services. Authorizes a participating specialty plan to receive an administrative fee for coordination of services based upon the receipt of the state share of the fee from intergovernmental transfers.
- 2. Allows a provider service network to provide behavioral health services in addition to physical health services in areas of the state not under Medicaid reform.
- 3. Extends the guidelines for phasing in financial risk for approved provider service networks and Children's Medical Services Networks over the period of the waiver and the extension thereof.

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(dd) To implement service delivery mechanisms within a specialty plan in area 10 capitated managed care plans to provide behavioral health care services Medicaid services as specified in ss. 409.905 and 409.906 to Medicaid-eligible children whose cases are open for child welfare services in the HomeSafeNet system. These services must be coordinated with community-based care providers as specified in s. 409.1671, where available, and be sufficient to meet the medical, developmental, behavioral, and emotional needs of these children. Children in area 10 who have an open case in the HomeSafeNet system shall be enrolled into the specialty plan. These service delivery mechanisms must be implemented no later than July 1, 2011 2008, in AHCA area 10 in order for the children in AHCA area 10 to remain exempt from the statewide plan under s. 409.912(4)(b)8. An administrative fee may be paid to the specialty plan for the coordination of services based on the receipt of the state share of that fee being provided through intergovernmental transfers.



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and investigative agencies in detecting and deterring this type of fraudulent activity, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 409.912, Florida Statutes, is amended, paragraph (5) of subsection (4) of that section is associated, passent subsections (23) through (53) of that section are renumbered as subsections (24) through (54), respectively, a new subsection (25) is called to that section, and present subsections (21) and (22) of that section are amended, to read:

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409.912 Cost-effective purchasing of health care.-The agency shall purchase goods and services for Medicaid recipients in the most cost-effective manner consistent with the delivery of quality medical care. To ensure that medical services are effectively utilized, the agency may, in any case, require a confirmation or second physician's opinion of the correct diagnosis for purposes of authorizing future services under the Medicaid program. This section does not restrict access to emergency services or poststabilization care services as defined in 42 C.F.R. part 438.114. Such confirmation or second opinion shall be rendered in a manner approved by the agency. The agency shall maximize the use of prepaid per capita and prepaid aggregate fixed-sum basis services when appropriate and other alternative service delivery and reimbursement methodologies, including competitive bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, designed to facilitate the cost-effective purchase of a case-managed continuum of care. The agency shall also require providers to

minimize the exposure of recipients to the need for acute inpatient, custodial, and other institutional care and the inappropriate or unnecessary use of high-cost services. The agency shall contract with a vendor to monitor and evaluate the clinical practice patterns of providers in order to identify trends that are outside the normal practice patterns of a provider's professional peers or the national guidelines of a provider's professional association. The vendor must be able to provide information and counseling to a provider whose practice patterns are outside the norms, in consultation with the agency, to improve patient care and reduce inappropriate utilization. The agency may mandate prior authorization, drug therapy management, or disease management participation for certain populations of Medicaid beneficiaries, certain drug classes, or particular drugs to prevent fraud, abuse, overuse, and possible dangerous drug interactions. The Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee shall make recommendations to the agency on drugs for which prior authorization is required. The agency shall inform the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee of its decisions regarding drugs subject to prior authorization. The agency is authorized to limit the entities it contracts with or enrolls as Medicaid providers by developing a provider network through provider credentialing. The agency may competitively bid singlesource-provider contracts if procurement of goods or services results in demonstrated cost savings to the state without limiting access to care. The agency may limit its network based on the assessment of beneficiary access to care, provider availability, provider quality standards, time and distance standards for access to care, the cultural competence of the

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provider network, demographic characteristics of Medicaid beneficiaries, practice and provider-to-beneficiary standards, appointment wait times, beneficiary use of services, provider turnover, provider profiling, provider licensure history, previous program integrity investigations and findings, peer review, provider Medicaid policy and billing compliance records, clinical and medical record audits, and other factors. Providers shall not be entitled to enrollment in the Medicaid provider network. The agency shall determine instances in which allowing Medicaid beneficiaries to purchase durable medical equipment and other goods is less expensive to the Medicaid program than longterm rental of the equipment or goods. The agency may establish rules to facilitate purchases in lieu of long-term rentals in order to protect against fraud and abuse in the Medicaid program as defined in s. 409.913. The agency may seek federal waivers necessary to administer these policies.

(4) The agency may contract with:

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(b) An entity that is providing comprehensive behavioral health care services to certain Medicaid recipients through a capitated, prepaid arrangement pursuant to the federal waiver provided for by s. 409.905(5). Such entity must be licensed under chapter 624, chapter 636, or chapter 641, or authorized under paragraph (c) or paragraph (d), and must possess the clinical systems and operational competence to manage risk and provide comprehensive behavioral health care to Medicaid recipients. As used in this paragraph, the term "comprehensive behavioral health care services" means covered mental health and substance abuse treatment services that are available to Medicaid recipients. The secretary of the Department of Children

and Family Services shall approve provisions of procurements related to children in the department's care or custody before enrolling such children in a prepaid behavioral health plan. Any contract awarded under this paragraph must be competitively procured. In developing the behavioral health care prepaid plan procurement document, the agency shall ensure that the procurement document requires the contractor to develop and implement a plan to ensure compliance with s. 394.4574 related to services provided to residents of licensed assisted living facilities that hold a limited mental health license. Except as provided in subparagraph 8., and except in counties where the Medicaid managed care pilot program is authorized pursuant to s. 409.91211, the agency shall seek federal approval to contract with a single entity meeting these requirements to provide comprehensive behavioral health care services to all Medicaid recipients not enrolled in a Medicaid managed care plan authorized under s. 409.91211, a provider service network authorized under paragraph (d), or a Medicaid health maintenance organization in an AHCA area. In an AHCA area where the Medicaid managed care pilot program is authorized pursuant to s. 409.91211 in one or more counties, the agency may procure a contract with a single entity to serve the remaining counties as an AHCA area or the remaining counties may be included with an adjacent AHCA area and are subject to this paragraph. Each entity must offer a sufficient choice of providers in its network to ensure recipient access to care and the opportunity to select a provider with whom they are satisfied. The network shall include all public mental health hospitals. To ensure unimpaired access to behavioral health care services by Medicaid

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recipients, all contracts issued pursuant to this paragraph must require 80 percent of the capitation paid to the managed care plan, including health maintenance organizations and capitated provider service networks, to be expended for the provision of behavioral health care services. If the managed care plan expends less than 80 percent of the capitation paid for the provision of behavioral health care services, the difference shall be returned to the agency. The agency shall provide the plan with a certification letter indicating the amount of capitation paid during each calendar year for behavioral health care services pursuant to this section. The agency may reimburse for substance abuse treatment services on a fee-for-service basis until the agency finds that adequate funds are available for capitated, prepaid arrangements.

- 1. By January 1, 2001, the agency shall modify the contracts with the entities providing comprehensive inpatient and outpatient mental health care services to Medicaid recipients in Hillsborough, Highlands, Hardee, Manatee, and Polk Counties, to include substance abuse treatment services.
- 2. By July 1, 2003, the agency and the Department of Children and Family Services shall execute a written agreement that requires collaboration and joint development of all policy, budgets, procurement documents, contracts, and monitoring plans that have an impact on the state and Medicaid community mental health and targeted case management programs.
- 3. Except as provided in subparagraph 8., by July 1, 2006, the agency and the Department of Children and Family Services shall contract with managed care entities in each AHCA area except area 6 or arrange to provide comprehensive inpatient and

outpatient mental health and substance abuse services through capitated prepaid arrangements to all Medicaid recipients who are eligible to participate in such plans under federal law and regulation. In AHCA areas where eligible individuals number less than 150,000, the agency shall contract with a single managed care plan to provide comprehensive behavioral health services to all recipients who are not enrolled in a Medicaid health maintenance organization, a provider service network authorized under paragraph (d), or a Medicaid capitated managed care plan authorized under s. 409.91211. The agency may contract with more than one comprehensive behavioral health provider to provide care to recipients who are not enrolled in a Medicaid capitated managed care plan authorized under s. 409.91211, a provider service network authorized under paragraph (d), or a Medicaid health maintenance organization in AHCA areas where the eligible population exceeds 150,000. In an AHCA area where the Medicaid managed care pilot program is authorized pursuant to s. 409.91211 in one or more counties, the agency may procure a contract with a single entity to serve the remaining counties as an AHCA area or the remaining counties may be included with an adjacent AHCA area and shall be subject to this paragraph. Contracts for comprehensive behavioral health providers awarded pursuant to this section shall be competitively procured. Both for-profit and not-for-profit corporations are eligible to compete. Managed care plans contracting with the agency under subsection (3) or paragraph (d), shall provide and receive payment for the same comprehensive behavioral health benefits as provided in AHCA rules, including handbooks incorporated by reference.

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Section ----: Paragraph (e) of subsection (3) of Section 409.91211, Florida Statutes is amended to read:

(e) To implement policies and guidelines for phasing in financial risk for approved provider service networks that, for purposes of this paragraph, include the Children's Medical Services Network, over a the 5-year period of the waiver and the extension thereof. These policies and guidelines must include an option to be paid fee-for-service rates. For any provider service network establish in a managed care pilot area, the option to be paid fee-for-service rates must include a savings-settlement mechanism that is consistent with s. 409.912(44). This model must be converted to a risk-adjusted capitated rate by the beginning of the finalsixth year of operation under the waiver extension, and may be converted earlier at the option of the provider service network. Federally qualified health centers may be offered an opportunity to accept or decline a contract to participate in any provider network for prepaid primary care services.