

HB1426



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Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-16.1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-16.1

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning case management services.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 changing Section 5-16.1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-16.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-16.1)

7 Sec. 5-16.1. Case Management Services. The ~~The~~ Illinois
8 Department may develop, implement and evaluate a Case
9 Management Services Program which provides services consistent
10 with the provisions of this Section, and the Inter-Agency
11 Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family
12 Services (formerly Department of Public Aid) and the
13 Department of Public Health, for a targeted population on a
14 less than Statewide basis in the State of Illinois. The
15 purpose of this Case Management Services Program shall be to
16 assist eligible participants in gaining access to needed
17 medical, social, educational and other services thereby
18 reducing the likelihood of long-term welfare dependency. The
19 Case Management Services Program shall have the following
20 characteristics:

21 (a) It shall be conducted for a period of no less than
22 5 consecutive fiscal years in one urban area containing a
23 high proportion, as determined by Department of Healthcare

1 and Family Services and Department of Public Health
2 records, of Medicaid eligible pregnant or parenting girls
3 under 17 years of age at the time of the initial assessment
4 and in one rural area containing a high proportion, as
5 determined by Department of Healthcare and Family Services
6 and Department of Public Health records, of Medicaid
7 eligible pregnant or parenting girls under 17 years of age
8 at the time of the initial assessment.

9 (b) Providers participating in the program shall be
10 paid an amount per patient per month, to be set by the
11 Illinois Department, for the case management services
12 provided.

13 (c) Providers eligible to participate in the program
14 shall be nurses or social workers, licensed to practice in
15 Illinois, who comply with the rules and regulations
16 established by the Illinois Department and the
17 Inter-Agency Agreement between the Department of
18 Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Department of
19 Public Aid) and the Department of Public Health. The
20 Illinois Department may terminate a provider's
21 participation in the program if the provider is determined
22 to have failed to comply with any applicable program
23 standard or procedure established by the Illinois
24 Department.

25 (d) Each eligible participant in an area where the
26 Case Management Services Program is being conducted may

1 voluntarily designate a case manager, of her own choosing
2 to assume responsibility for her care.

3 (e) A participant may change her designated case
4 manager provided that she informs the Illinois Department
5 by the 20th day of the month in order for the change to be
6 effective in the following month.

7 (f) The Illinois Department shall, by rule, establish
8 procedures for providing case management services when the
9 designated source becomes unavailable or wishes to
10 withdraw from any obligation as case management services
11 provider.

12 (g) In accordance with rules adopted by the Illinois
13 Department, a participant may discontinue participation in
14 the program upon timely notice to the Illinois Department,
15 in which case the participant shall remain eligible for
16 assistance under all applicable provisions of Article V of
17 this Code.

18 The Illinois Department shall take any necessary steps to
19 obtain authorization or waiver under federal law to implement
20 a Case Management Services Program. Participation shall be
21 voluntary for the provider and the recipient.

22 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)