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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.)