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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 105/4.02	from Ch. 23, par. 6104.02
20 ILCS 2405/3	from Ch. 23, par. 3434
305 ILCS 5/5-2b	
305 ILCS 5/5-5	from Ch. 23, par. 5-5
305 ILCS 5/5-5.01a	

Amends the Illinois Act on the Aging, the Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities Act, and the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that individuals with a score of 29 or higher based on the determination of need (DON) assessment tool shall be eligible to receive services through the Community Care Program, services to prevent unnecessary or premature institutionalization, and services through the program of supportive living facilities. Further amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that on and after July 1, 2025, level of care eligibility criteria for home and community-based services for medically fragile and technology dependent children shall be no more restrictive than the level of care criteria in place on January 1, 2023. Requires the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to execute, relative to the nursing home prescreening project, written agreements with the Department of Human Services and the Department on Aging to effect, on and after July 1, 2025, an increase in the DON score threshold to 37 for applicants for institutional long term care, subject to federal approval. Provides that on and after July 1, 2025 but before July 1, 2027, continuation of a nursing facility stay that began on or before June 30, 2025 by a person with a DON score between 29 and 36 may be covered when such stay would be otherwise eligible under this Code, provided the nursing facility performs certain actions. Requires the Department to, by rule, set a maximum total number of individuals to be covered and other limits on utilization that it deems appropriate. Effective July 1, 2025.

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1 AN ACT concerning home and community-based services.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Act on the Aging is amended by  
5 changing Section 4.02 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 105/4.02) (from Ch. 23, par. 6104.02)

7 Sec. 4.02. Community Care Program. The Department shall  
8 establish a program of services to prevent unnecessary  
9 institutionalization of persons age 60 and older in need of  
10 long term care or who are established as persons who suffer  
11 from Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder under the  
12 Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Act, thereby enabling them to  
13 remain in their own homes or in other living arrangements.  
14 Such preventive services, which may be coordinated with other  
15 programs for the aged and monitored by area agencies on aging  
16 in cooperation with the Department, may include, but are not  
17 limited to, any or all of the following:

- 18 (a) (blank);  
19 (b) (blank);  
20 (c) home care aide services;  
21 (d) personal assistant services;  
22 (e) adult day services;  
23 (f) home-delivered meals;

- 1 (g) education in self-care;
- 2 (h) personal care services;
- 3 (i) adult day health services;
- 4 (j) habilitation services;
- 5 (k) respite care;
- 6 (k-5) community reintegration services;
- 7 (k-6) flexible senior services;
- 8 (k-7) medication management;
- 9 (k-8) emergency home response;
- 10 (l) other nonmedical social services that may enable
- 11 the person to become self-supporting; or
- 12 (m) clearinghouse for information provided by senior
- 13 citizen home owners who want to rent rooms to or share
- 14 living space with other senior citizens.

15 The Department shall establish eligibility standards for

16 such services. In determining the amount and nature of

17 services for which a person may qualify, consideration shall

18 not be given to the value of cash, property or other assets

19 held in the name of the person's spouse pursuant to a written

20 agreement dividing marital property into equal but separate

21 shares or pursuant to a transfer of the person's interest in a

22 home to his spouse, provided that the spouse's share of the

23 marital property is not made available to the person seeking

24 such services.

25 Beginning January 1, 2008, the Department shall require as

26 a condition of eligibility that all new financially eligible

1 applicants apply for and enroll in medical assistance under  
2 Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code in accordance with  
3 rules promulgated by the Department.

4 The Department shall, in conjunction with the Department  
5 of Public Aid (now Department of Healthcare and Family  
6 Services), seek appropriate amendments under Sections 1915 and  
7 1924 of the Social Security Act. The purpose of the amendments  
8 shall be to extend eligibility for home and community based  
9 services under Sections 1915 and 1924 of the Social Security  
10 Act to persons who transfer to or for the benefit of a spouse  
11 those amounts of income and resources allowed under Section  
12 1924 of the Social Security Act. Subject to the approval of  
13 such amendments, the Department shall extend the provisions of  
14 Section 5-4 of the Illinois Public Aid Code to persons who, but  
15 for the provision of home or community-based services, would  
16 require the level of care provided in an institution, as is  
17 provided for in federal law. Those persons no longer found to  
18 be eligible for receiving noninstitutional services due to  
19 changes in the eligibility criteria shall be given 45 days  
20 notice prior to actual termination. Those persons receiving  
21 notice of termination may contact the Department and request  
22 the determination be appealed at any time during the 45 day  
23 notice period. The target population identified for the  
24 purposes of this Section are persons age 60 and older with an  
25 identified service need. Priority shall be given to those who  
26 are at imminent risk of institutionalization. The services

1 shall be provided to eligible persons age 60 and older to the  
2 extent that the cost of the services together with the other  
3 personal maintenance expenses of the persons are reasonably  
4 related to the standards established for care in a group  
5 facility appropriate to the person's condition. These  
6 non-institutional services, pilot projects or experimental  
7 facilities may be provided as part of or in addition to those  
8 authorized by federal law or those funded and administered by  
9 the Department of Human Services. The Departments of Human  
10 Services, Healthcare and Family Services, Public Health,  
11 Veterans' Affairs, and Commerce and Economic Opportunity and  
12 other appropriate agencies of State, federal and local  
13 governments shall cooperate with the Department on Aging in  
14 the establishment and development of the non-institutional  
15 services. The Department shall require an annual audit from  
16 all personal assistant and home care aide vendors contracting  
17 with the Department under this Section. The annual audit shall  
18 assure that each audited vendor's procedures are in compliance  
19 with Department's financial reporting guidelines requiring an  
20 administrative and employee wage and benefits cost split as  
21 defined in administrative rules. The audit is a public record  
22 under the Freedom of Information Act. The Department shall  
23 execute, relative to the nursing home prescreening project,  
24 written inter-agency agreements with the Department of Human  
25 Services and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services,  
26 to effect the following: (1) intake procedures and common

1 eligibility criteria for those persons who are receiving  
2 non-institutional services; and (2) the establishment and  
3 development of non-institutional services in areas of the  
4 State where they are not currently available or are  
5 undeveloped. On and after July 1, 1996, all nursing home  
6 prescreenings for individuals 60 years of age or older shall  
7 be conducted by the Department.

8 As part of the Department on Aging's routine training of  
9 case managers and case manager supervisors, the Department may  
10 include information on family futures planning for persons who  
11 are age 60 or older and who are caregivers of their adult  
12 children with developmental disabilities. The content of the  
13 training shall be at the Department's discretion.

14 The Department is authorized to establish a system of  
15 recipient copayment for services provided under this Section,  
16 such copayment to be based upon the recipient's ability to pay  
17 but in no case to exceed the actual cost of the services  
18 provided. Additionally, any portion of a person's income which  
19 is equal to or less than the federal poverty standard shall not  
20 be considered by the Department in determining the copayment.  
21 The level of such copayment shall be adjusted whenever  
22 necessary to reflect any change in the officially designated  
23 federal poverty standard.

24 The Department, or the Department's authorized  
25 representative, may recover the amount of moneys expended for  
26 services provided to or in behalf of a person under this

1 Section by a claim against the person's estate or against the  
2 estate of the person's surviving spouse, but no recovery may  
3 be had until after the death of the surviving spouse, if any,  
4 and then only at such time when there is no surviving child who  
5 is under age 21 or blind or who has a permanent and total  
6 disability. This paragraph, however, shall not bar recovery,  
7 at the death of the person, of moneys for services provided to  
8 the person or in behalf of the person under this Section to  
9 which the person was not entitled; provided that such recovery  
10 shall not be enforced against any real estate while it is  
11 occupied as a homestead by the surviving spouse or other  
12 dependent, if no claims by other creditors have been filed  
13 against the estate, or, if such claims have been filed, they  
14 remain dormant for failure of prosecution or failure of the  
15 claimant to compel administration of the estate for the  
16 purpose of payment. This paragraph shall not bar recovery from  
17 the estate of a spouse, under Sections 1915 and 1924 of the  
18 Social Security Act and Section 5-4 of the Illinois Public Aid  
19 Code, who precedes a person receiving services under this  
20 Section in death. All moneys for services paid to or in behalf  
21 of the person under this Section shall be claimed for recovery  
22 from the deceased spouse's estate. "Homestead", as used in  
23 this paragraph, means the dwelling house and contiguous real  
24 estate occupied by a surviving spouse or relative, as defined  
25 by the rules and regulations of the Department of Healthcare  
26 and Family Services, regardless of the value of the property.

1       Individuals with a score of 29 or higher based on the  
2       determination of need assessment tool shall be eligible to  
3       receive services through the Community Care Program.

4       The Department shall increase the effectiveness of the  
5       existing Community Care Program by:

6           (1) ensuring that in-home services included in the  
7           care plan are available on evenings and weekends;

8           (2) ensuring that care plans contain the services that  
9           eligible participants need based on the number of days in  
10          a month, not limited to specific blocks of time, as  
11          identified by the comprehensive assessment tool selected  
12          by the Department for use statewide, not to exceed the  
13          total monthly service cost maximum allowed for each  
14          service; the Department shall develop administrative rules  
15          to implement this item (2);

16          (3) ensuring that the participants have the right to  
17          choose the services contained in their care plan and to  
18          direct how those services are provided, based on  
19          administrative rules established by the Department;

20          (4) ensuring that the determination of need tool is  
21          accurate in determining the participants' level of need;  
22          to achieve this, the Department, in conjunction with the  
23          Older Adult Services Advisory Committee, shall institute a  
24          study of the relationship between the Determination of  
25          Need scores, level of need, service cost maximums, and the  
26          development and utilization of service plans no later than



1 May 1, 2008; findings and recommendations shall be  
2 presented to the Governor and the General Assembly no  
3 later than January 1, 2009; recommendations shall include  
4 all needed changes to the service cost maximums schedule  
5 and additional covered services;

6 (5) ensuring that homemakers can provide personal care  
7 services that may or may not involve contact with clients,  
8 including but not limited to:

9 (A) bathing;

10 (B) grooming;

11 (C) toileting;

12 (D) nail care;

13 (E) transferring;

14 (F) respiratory services;

15 (G) exercise; or

16 (H) positioning;

17 (6) ensuring that homemaker program vendors are not  
18 restricted from hiring homemakers who are family members  
19 of clients or recommended by clients; the Department may  
20 not, by rule or policy, require homemakers who are family  
21 members of clients or recommended by clients to accept  
22 assignments in homes other than the client;

23 (7) ensuring that the State may access maximum federal  
24 matching funds by seeking approval for the Centers for  
25 Medicare and Medicaid Services for modifications to the  
26 State's home and community based services waiver and

1 additional waiver opportunities, including applying for  
2 enrollment in the Balance Incentive Payment Program by May  
3 1, 2013, in order to maximize federal matching funds; this  
4 shall include, but not be limited to, modification that  
5 reflects all changes in the Community Care Program  
6 services and all increases in the services cost maximum;

7 (8) ensuring that the determination of need tool  
8 accurately reflects the service needs of individuals with  
9 Alzheimer's disease and related dementia disorders;

10 (9) ensuring that services are authorized accurately  
11 and consistently for the Community Care Program (CCP); the  
12 Department shall implement a Service Authorization policy  
13 directive; the purpose shall be to ensure that eligibility  
14 and services are authorized accurately and consistently in  
15 the CCP program; the policy directive shall clarify  
16 service authorization guidelines to Care Coordination  
17 Units and Community Care Program providers no later than  
18 May 1, 2013;

19 (10) working in conjunction with Care Coordination  
20 Units, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services,  
21 the Department of Human Services, Community Care Program  
22 providers, and other stakeholders to make improvements to  
23 the Medicaid claiming processes and the Medicaid  
24 enrollment procedures or requirements as needed,  
25 including, but not limited to, specific policy changes or  
26 rules to improve the up-front enrollment of participants

1 in the Medicaid program and specific policy changes or  
2 rules to insure more prompt submission of bills to the  
3 federal government to secure maximum federal matching  
4 dollars as promptly as possible; the Department on Aging  
5 shall have at least 3 meetings with stakeholders by  
6 January 1, 2014 in order to address these improvements;

7 (11) requiring home care service providers to comply  
8 with the rounding of hours worked provisions under the  
9 federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and as set forth  
10 in 29 CFR 785.48(b) by May 1, 2013;

11 (12) implementing any necessary policy changes or  
12 promulgating any rules, no later than January 1, 2014, to  
13 assist the Department of Healthcare and Family Services in  
14 moving as many participants as possible, consistent with  
15 federal regulations, into coordinated care plans if a care  
16 coordination plan that covers long term care is available  
17 in the recipient's area; and

18 (13) maintaining fiscal year 2014 rates at the same  
19 level established on January 1, 2013.

20 By January 1, 2009 or as soon after the end of the Cash and  
21 Counseling Demonstration Project as is practicable, the  
22 Department may, based on its evaluation of the demonstration  
23 project, promulgate rules concerning personal assistant  
24 services, to include, but need not be limited to,  
25 qualifications, employment screening, rights under fair labor  
26 standards, training, fiduciary agent, and supervision

1 requirements. All applicants shall be subject to the  
2 provisions of the Health Care Worker Background Check Act.

3 The Department shall develop procedures to enhance  
4 availability of services on evenings, weekends, and on an  
5 emergency basis to meet the respite needs of caregivers.  
6 Procedures shall be developed to permit the utilization of  
7 services in successive blocks of 24 hours up to the monthly  
8 maximum established by the Department. Workers providing these  
9 services shall be appropriately trained.

10 Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of  
11 1991, no person may perform chore/housekeeping and home care  
12 aide services under a program authorized by this Section  
13 unless that person has been issued a certificate of  
14 pre-service to do so by his or her employing agency.  
15 Information gathered to effect such certification shall  
16 include (i) the person's name, (ii) the date the person was  
17 hired by his or her current employer, and (iii) the training,  
18 including dates and levels. Persons engaged in the program  
19 authorized by this Section before the effective date of this  
20 amendatory Act of 1991 shall be issued a certificate of all  
21 pre- and in-service training from his or her employer upon  
22 submitting the necessary information. The employing agency  
23 shall be required to retain records of all staff pre- and  
24 in-service training, and shall provide such records to the  
25 Department upon request and upon termination of the employer's  
26 contract with the Department. In addition, the employing

1 agency is responsible for the issuance of certifications of  
2 in-service training completed to their employees.

3 The Department is required to develop a system to ensure  
4 that persons working as home care aides and personal  
5 assistants receive increases in their wages when the federal  
6 minimum wage is increased by requiring vendors to certify that  
7 they are meeting the federal minimum wage statute for home  
8 care aides and personal assistants. An employer that cannot  
9 ensure that the minimum wage increase is being given to home  
10 care aides and personal assistants shall be denied any  
11 increase in reimbursement costs.

12 The Community Care Program Advisory Committee is created  
13 in the Department on Aging. The Director shall appoint  
14 individuals to serve in the Committee, who shall serve at  
15 their own expense. Members of the Committee must abide by all  
16 applicable ethics laws. The Committee shall advise the  
17 Department on issues related to the Department's program of  
18 services to prevent unnecessary institutionalization. The  
19 Committee shall meet on a bi-monthly basis and shall serve to  
20 identify and advise the Department on present and potential  
21 issues affecting the service delivery network, the program's  
22 clients, and the Department and to recommend solution  
23 strategies. Persons appointed to the Committee shall be  
24 appointed on, but not limited to, their own and their agency's  
25 experience with the program, geographic representation, and  
26 willingness to serve. The Director shall appoint members to

1 the Committee to represent provider, advocacy, policy  
2 research, and other constituencies committed to the delivery  
3 of high quality home and community-based services to older  
4 adults. Representatives shall be appointed to ensure  
5 representation from community care providers including, but  
6 not limited to, adult day service providers, homemaker  
7 providers, case coordination and case management units,  
8 emergency home response providers, statewide trade or labor  
9 unions that represent home care aides and direct care staff,  
10 area agencies on aging, adults over age 60, membership  
11 organizations representing older adults, and other  
12 organizational entities, providers of care, or individuals  
13 with demonstrated interest and expertise in the field of home  
14 and community care as determined by the Director.

15 Nominations may be presented from any agency or State  
16 association with interest in the program. The Director, or his  
17 or her designee, shall serve as the permanent co-chair of the  
18 advisory committee. One other co-chair shall be nominated and  
19 approved by the members of the committee on an annual basis.  
20 Committee members' terms of appointment shall be for 4 years  
21 with one-quarter of the appointees' terms expiring each year.  
22 A member shall continue to serve until his or her replacement  
23 is named. The Department shall fill vacancies that have a  
24 remaining term of over one year, and this replacement shall  
25 occur through the annual replacement of expiring terms. The  
26 Director shall designate Department staff to provide technical

1 assistance and staff support to the committee. Department  
2 representation shall not constitute membership of the  
3 committee. All Committee papers, issues, recommendations,  
4 reports, and meeting memoranda are advisory only. The  
5 Director, or his or her designee, shall make a written report,  
6 as requested by the Committee, regarding issues before the  
7 Committee.

8 The Department on Aging and the Department of Human  
9 Services shall cooperate in the development and submission of  
10 an annual report on programs and services provided under this  
11 Section. Such joint report shall be filed with the Governor  
12 and the General Assembly on or before September 30 each year.

13 The requirement for reporting to the General Assembly  
14 shall be satisfied by filing copies of the report as required  
15 by Section 3.1 of the General Assembly Organization Act and  
16 filing such additional copies with the State Government Report  
17 Distribution Center for the General Assembly as is required  
18 under paragraph (t) of Section 7 of the State Library Act.

19 Those persons previously found eligible for receiving  
20 non-institutional services whose services were discontinued  
21 under the Emergency Budget Act of Fiscal Year 1992, and who do  
22 not meet the eligibility standards in effect on or after July  
23 1, 1992, shall remain ineligible on and after July 1, 1992.  
24 Those persons previously not required to cost-share and who  
25 were required to cost-share effective March 1, 1992, shall  
26 continue to meet cost-share requirements on and after July 1,

1 1992. Beginning July 1, 1992, all clients will be required to  
2 meet eligibility, cost-share, and other requirements and will  
3 have services discontinued or altered when they fail to meet  
4 these requirements.

5 For the purposes of this Section, "flexible senior  
6 services" refers to services that require one-time or periodic  
7 expenditures including, but not limited to, respite care, home  
8 modification, assistive technology, housing assistance, and  
9 transportation.

10 The Department shall implement an electronic service  
11 verification based on global positioning systems or other  
12 cost-effective technology for the Community Care Program no  
13 later than January 1, 2014.

14 The Department shall require, as a condition of  
15 eligibility, enrollment in the medical assistance program  
16 under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code (i) beginning  
17 August 1, 2013, if the Auditor General has reported that the  
18 Department has failed to comply with the reporting  
19 requirements of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing  
20 Act; or (ii) beginning June 1, 2014, if the Auditor General has  
21 reported that the Department has not undertaken the required  
22 actions listed in the report required by subsection (a) of  
23 Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

24 The Department shall delay Community Care Program services  
25 until an applicant is determined eligible for medical  
26 assistance under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code (i)



1 beginning August 1, 2013, if the Auditor General has reported  
2 that the Department has failed to comply with the reporting  
3 requirements of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing  
4 Act; or (ii) beginning June 1, 2014, if the Auditor General has  
5 reported that the Department has not undertaken the required  
6 actions listed in the report required by subsection (a) of  
7 Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

8 The Department shall implement co-payments for the  
9 Community Care Program at the federally allowable maximum  
10 level (i) beginning August 1, 2013, if the Auditor General has  
11 reported that the Department has failed to comply with the  
12 reporting requirements of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State  
13 Auditing Act; or (ii) beginning June 1, 2014, if the Auditor  
14 General has reported that the Department has not undertaken  
15 the required actions listed in the report required by  
16 subsection (a) of Section 2-27 of the Illinois State Auditing  
17 Act.

18 The Department shall continue to provide other Community  
19 Care Program reports as required by statute.

20 The Department shall conduct a quarterly review of Care  
21 Coordination Unit performance and adherence to service  
22 guidelines. The quarterly review shall be reported to the  
23 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader  
24 of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate,  
25 and the Minority Leader of the Senate. The Department shall  
26 collect and report longitudinal data on the performance of

1 each care coordination unit. Nothing in this paragraph shall  
2 be construed to require the Department to identify specific  
3 care coordination units.

4 In regard to community care providers, failure to comply  
5 with Department on Aging policies shall be cause for  
6 disciplinary action, including, but not limited to,  
7 disqualification from serving Community Care Program clients.  
8 Each provider, upon submission of any bill or invoice to the  
9 Department for payment for services rendered, shall include a  
10 notarized statement, under penalty of perjury pursuant to  
11 Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that the  
12 provider has complied with all Department policies.

13 The Director of the Department on Aging shall make  
14 information available to the State Board of Elections as may  
15 be required by an agreement the State Board of Elections has  
16 entered into with a multi-state voter registration list  
17 maintenance system.

18 Within 30 days after July 6, 2017 (the effective date of  
19 Public Act 100-23), rates shall be increased to \$18.29 per  
20 hour, for the purpose of increasing, by at least \$.72 per hour,  
21 the wages paid by those vendors to their employees who provide  
22 homemaker services. The Department shall pay an enhanced rate  
23 under the Community Care Program to those in-home service  
24 provider agencies that offer health insurance coverage as a  
25 benefit to their direct service worker employees consistent  
26 with the mandates of Public Act 95-713. For State fiscal years

1 2018 and 2019, the enhanced rate shall be \$1.77 per hour. The  
2 rate shall be adjusted using actuarial analysis based on the  
3 cost of care, but shall not be set below \$1.77 per hour. The  
4 Department shall adopt rules, including emergency rules under  
5 subsections (y) and (bb) of Section 5-45 of the Illinois  
6 Administrative Procedure Act, to implement the provisions of  
7 this paragraph.

8 The General Assembly finds it necessary to authorize an  
9 aggressive Medicaid enrollment initiative designed to maximize  
10 federal Medicaid funding for the Community Care Program which  
11 produces significant savings for the State of Illinois. The  
12 Department on Aging shall establish and implement a Community  
13 Care Program Medicaid Initiative. Under the Initiative, the  
14 Department on Aging shall, at a minimum: (i) provide an  
15 enhanced rate to adequately compensate care coordination units  
16 to enroll eligible Community Care Program clients into  
17 Medicaid; (ii) use recommendations from a stakeholder  
18 committee on how best to implement the Initiative; and (iii)  
19 establish requirements for State agencies to make enrollment  
20 in the State's Medical Assistance program easier for seniors.

21 The Community Care Program Medicaid Enrollment Oversight  
22 Subcommittee is created as a subcommittee of the Older Adult  
23 Services Advisory Committee established in Section 35 of the  
24 Older Adult Services Act to make recommendations on how best  
25 to increase the number of medical assistance recipients who  
26 are enrolled in the Community Care Program. The Subcommittee

1 shall consist of all of the following persons who must be  
2 appointed within 30 days after the effective date of this  
3 amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly:

4 (1) The Director of Aging, or his or her designee, who  
5 shall serve as the chairperson of the Subcommittee.

6 (2) One representative of the Department of Healthcare  
7 and Family Services, appointed by the Director of  
8 Healthcare and Family Services.

9 (3) One representative of the Department of Human  
10 Services, appointed by the Secretary of Human Services.

11 (4) One individual representing a care coordination  
12 unit, appointed by the Director of Aging.

13 (5) One individual from a non-governmental statewide  
14 organization that advocates for seniors, appointed by the  
15 Director of Aging.

16 (6) One individual representing Area Agencies on  
17 Aging, appointed by the Director of Aging.

18 (7) One individual from a statewide association  
19 dedicated to Alzheimer's care, support, and research,  
20 appointed by the Director of Aging.

21 (8) One individual from an organization that employs  
22 persons who provide services under the Community Care  
23 Program, appointed by the Director of Aging.

24 (9) One member of a trade or labor union representing  
25 persons who provide services under the Community Care  
26 Program, appointed by the Director of Aging.

1           (10) One member of the Senate, who shall serve as  
2 co-chairperson, appointed by the President of the Senate.

3           (11) One member of the Senate, who shall serve as  
4 co-chairperson, appointed by the Minority Leader of the  
5 Senate.

6           (12) One member of the House of Representatives, who  
7 shall serve as co-chairperson, appointed by the Speaker of  
8 the House of Representatives.

9           (13) One member of the House of Representatives, who  
10 shall serve as co-chairperson, appointed by the Minority  
11 Leader of the House of Representatives.

12           (14) One individual appointed by a labor organization  
13 representing frontline employees at the Department of  
14 Human Services.

15           The Subcommittee shall provide oversight to the Community  
16 Care Program Medicaid Initiative and shall meet quarterly. At  
17 each Subcommittee meeting the Department on Aging shall  
18 provide the following data sets to the Subcommittee: (A) the  
19 number of Illinois residents, categorized by planning and  
20 service area, who are receiving services under the Community  
21 Care Program and are enrolled in the State's Medical  
22 Assistance Program; (B) the number of Illinois residents,  
23 categorized by planning and service area, who are receiving  
24 services under the Community Care Program, but are not  
25 enrolled in the State's Medical Assistance Program; and (C)  
26 the number of Illinois residents, categorized by planning and

1 service area, who are receiving services under the Community  
2 Care Program and are eligible for benefits under the State's  
3 Medical Assistance Program, but are not enrolled in the  
4 State's Medical Assistance Program. In addition to this data,  
5 the Department on Aging shall provide the Subcommittee with  
6 plans on how the Department on Aging will reduce the number of  
7 Illinois residents who are not enrolled in the State's Medical  
8 Assistance Program but who are eligible for medical assistance  
9 benefits. The Department on Aging shall enroll in the State's  
10 Medical Assistance Program those Illinois residents who  
11 receive services under the Community Care Program and are  
12 eligible for medical assistance benefits but are not enrolled  
13 in the State's Medicaid Assistance Program. The data provided  
14 to the Subcommittee shall be made available to the public via  
15 the Department on Aging's website.

16 The Department on Aging, with the involvement of the  
17 Subcommittee, shall collaborate with the Department of Human  
18 Services and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
19 on how best to achieve the responsibilities of the Community  
20 Care Program Medicaid Initiative.

21 The Department on Aging, the Department of Human Services,  
22 and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall  
23 coordinate and implement a streamlined process for seniors to  
24 access benefits under the State's Medical Assistance Program.

25 The Subcommittee shall collaborate with the Department of  
26 Human Services on the adoption of a uniform application

1 submission process. The Department of Human Services and any  
2 other State agency involved with processing the medical  
3 assistance application of any person enrolled in the Community  
4 Care Program shall include the appropriate care coordination  
5 unit in all communications related to the determination or  
6 status of the application.

7 The Community Care Program Medicaid Initiative shall  
8 provide targeted funding to care coordination units to help  
9 seniors complete their applications for medical assistance  
10 benefits. On and after July 1, 2019, care coordination units  
11 shall receive no less than \$200 per completed application,  
12 which rate may be included in a bundled rate for initial intake  
13 services when Medicaid application assistance is provided in  
14 conjunction with the initial intake process for new program  
15 participants.

16 The Community Care Program Medicaid Initiative shall cease  
17 operation 5 years after the effective date of this amendatory  
18 Act of the 100th General Assembly, after which the  
19 Subcommittee shall dissolve.

20 (Source: P.A. 101-10, eff. 6-5-19; 102-1071, eff. 6-10-22.)

21 Section 10. The Rehabilitation of Persons with  
22 Disabilities Act is amended by changing Section 3 as follows:

23 (20 ILCS 2405/3) (from Ch. 23, par. 3434)

24 Sec. 3. Powers and duties. The Department shall have the

1 powers and duties enumerated herein:

2 (a) To cooperate with the federal government in the  
3 administration of the provisions of the federal  
4 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended by the Workforce  
5 Innovation and Opportunity Act, and of the federal Social  
6 Security Act to the extent and in the manner provided in  
7 these Acts.

8 (b) To prescribe and supervise such courses of  
9 vocational training and provide such other services as may  
10 be necessary for the vocational rehabilitation of persons  
11 with one or more disabilities, including the  
12 administrative activities under subsection (e) of this  
13 Section; to cooperate with State and local school  
14 authorities and other recognized agencies engaged in  
15 vocational rehabilitation services; and to cooperate with  
16 the Department of Children and Family Services, the  
17 Illinois State Board of Education, and others regarding  
18 the education of children with one or more disabilities.

19 (c) (Blank).

20 (d) To report in writing, to the Governor, annually on  
21 or before the first day of December, and at such other  
22 times and in such manner and upon such subjects as the  
23 Governor may require. The annual report shall contain (1)  
24 information on the programs and activities dedicated to  
25 vocational rehabilitation, independent living, and other  
26 community services and supports administered by the



1 Director; (2) information on the development of vocational  
2 rehabilitation services, independent living services, and  
3 supporting services administered by the Director in the  
4 State; and (3) information detailing the amounts of money  
5 received from federal, State, and other sources, and of  
6 the objects and purposes to which the respective items of  
7 these several amounts have been devoted.

8 (e) (Blank).

9 (f) To establish a program of services to prevent the  
10 unnecessary institutionalization of persons in need of  
11 long term care and who meet the criteria for blindness or  
12 disability as defined by the Social Security Act, thereby  
13 enabling them to remain in their own homes. Such  
14 preventive services include any or all of the following:

- 15 (1) personal assistant services;  
16 (2) homemaker services;  
17 (3) home-delivered meals;  
18 (4) adult day care services;  
19 (5) respite care;  
20 (6) home modification or assistive equipment;  
21 (7) home health services;  
22 (8) electronic home response;  
23 (9) brain injury behavioral/cognitive services;  
24 (10) brain injury habilitation;  
25 (11) brain injury pre-vocational services; or  
26 (12) brain injury supported employment.

1           The Department shall establish eligibility standards  
2           for such services taking into consideration the unique  
3           economic and social needs of the population for whom they  
4           are to be provided. Such eligibility standards may be  
5           based on the recipient's ability to pay for services;  
6           provided, however, that any portion of a person's income  
7           that is equal to or less than the "protected income" level  
8           shall not be considered by the Department in determining  
9           eligibility. The "protected income" level shall be  
10          determined by the Department, shall never be less than the  
11          federal poverty standard, and shall be adjusted each year  
12          to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index For All  
13          Urban Consumers as determined by the United States  
14          Department of Labor. The standards must provide that a  
15          person may not have more than \$10,000 in assets to be  
16          eligible for the services, and the Department may increase  
17          or decrease the asset limitation by rule. The Department  
18          may not decrease the asset level below \$10,000. Subject to  
19          federal approval, the Department shall allow a recipient's  
20          spouse to serve as his or her provider of personal care or  
21          similar services.

22          Individuals with a score of 29 or higher based on the  
23          determination of need assessment tool shall be eligible to  
24          receive services.

25          The services shall be provided, as established by the  
26          Department by rule, to eligible persons to prevent

1 unnecessary or premature institutionalization, to the  
2 extent that the cost of the services, together with the  
3 other personal maintenance expenses of the persons, are  
4 reasonably related to the standards established for care  
5 in a group facility appropriate to their condition. These  
6 non-institutional services, pilot projects or experimental  
7 facilities may be provided as part of or in addition to  
8 those authorized by federal law or those funded and  
9 administered by the Illinois Department on Aging. The  
10 Department shall set rates and fees for services in a fair  
11 and equitable manner. Services identical to those offered  
12 by the Department on Aging shall be paid at the same rate.

13 Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph,  
14 personal assistants shall be paid at a rate negotiated  
15 between the State and an exclusive representative of  
16 personal assistants under a collective bargaining  
17 agreement. In no case shall the Department pay personal  
18 assistants an hourly wage that is less than the federal  
19 minimum wage. Within 30 days after July 6, 2017 (the  
20 effective date of Public Act 100-23), the hourly wage paid  
21 to personal assistants and individual maintenance home  
22 health workers shall be increased by \$0.48 per hour.

23 Solely for the purposes of coverage under the Illinois  
24 Public Labor Relations Act, personal assistants providing  
25 services under the Department's Home Services Program  
26 shall be considered to be public employees and the State

1 of Illinois shall be considered to be their employer as of  
2 July 16, 2003 (the effective date of Public Act 93-204),  
3 but not before. Solely for the purposes of coverage under  
4 the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act, home care and  
5 home health workers who function as personal assistants  
6 and individual maintenance home health workers and who  
7 also provide services under the Department's Home Services  
8 Program shall be considered to be public employees, no  
9 matter whether the State provides such services through  
10 direct fee-for-service arrangements, with the assistance  
11 of a managed care organization or other intermediary, or  
12 otherwise, and the State of Illinois shall be considered  
13 to be the employer of those persons as of January 29, 2013  
14 (the effective date of Public Act 97-1158), but not before  
15 except as otherwise provided under this subsection (f).  
16 The State shall engage in collective bargaining with an  
17 exclusive representative of home care and home health  
18 workers who function as personal assistants and individual  
19 maintenance home health workers working under the Home  
20 Services Program concerning their terms and conditions of  
21 employment that are within the State's control. Nothing in  
22 this paragraph shall be understood to limit the right of  
23 the persons receiving services defined in this Section to  
24 hire and fire home care and home health workers who  
25 function as personal assistants and individual maintenance  
26 home health workers working under the Home Services

1 Program or to supervise them within the limitations set by  
2 the Home Services Program. The State shall not be  
3 considered to be the employer of home care and home health  
4 workers who function as personal assistants and individual  
5 maintenance home health workers working under the Home  
6 Services Program for any purposes not specifically  
7 provided in Public Act 93-204 or Public Act 97-1158,  
8 including but not limited to, purposes of vicarious  
9 liability in tort and purposes of statutory retirement or  
10 health insurance benefits. Home care and home health  
11 workers who function as personal assistants and individual  
12 maintenance home health workers and who also provide  
13 services under the Department's Home Services Program  
14 shall not be covered by the State Employees Group  
15 Insurance Act of 1971.

16 The Department shall execute, relative to nursing home  
17 prescreening, as authorized by Section 4.03 of the  
18 Illinois Act on the Aging, written inter-agency agreements  
19 with the Department on Aging and the Department of  
20 Healthcare and Family Services, to effect the intake  
21 procedures and eligibility criteria for those persons who  
22 may need long term care. On and after July 1, 1996, all  
23 nursing home prescreenings for individuals 18 through 59  
24 years of age shall be conducted by the Department, or a  
25 designee of the Department.

26 The Department is authorized to establish a system of

1 recipient cost-sharing for services provided under this  
2 Section. The cost-sharing shall be based upon the  
3 recipient's ability to pay for services, but in no case  
4 shall the recipient's share exceed the actual cost of the  
5 services provided. Protected income shall not be  
6 considered by the Department in its determination of the  
7 recipient's ability to pay a share of the cost of  
8 services. The level of cost-sharing shall be adjusted each  
9 year to reflect changes in the "protected income" level.  
10 The Department shall deduct from the recipient's share of  
11 the cost of services any money expended by the recipient  
12 for disability-related expenses.

13 To the extent permitted under the federal Social  
14 Security Act, the Department, or the Department's  
15 authorized representative, may recover the amount of  
16 moneys expended for services provided to or in behalf of a  
17 person under this Section by a claim against the person's  
18 estate or against the estate of the person's surviving  
19 spouse, but no recovery may be had until after the death of  
20 the surviving spouse, if any, and then only at such time  
21 when there is no surviving child who is under age 21 or  
22 blind or who has a permanent and total disability. This  
23 paragraph, however, shall not bar recovery, at the death  
24 of the person, of moneys for services provided to the  
25 person or in behalf of the person under this Section to  
26 which the person was not entitled; provided that such

1 recovery shall not be enforced against any real estate  
2 while it is occupied as a homestead by the surviving  
3 spouse or other dependent, if no claims by other creditors  
4 have been filed against the estate, or, if such claims  
5 have been filed, they remain dormant for failure of  
6 prosecution or failure of the claimant to compel  
7 administration of the estate for the purpose of payment.  
8 This paragraph shall not bar recovery from the estate of a  
9 spouse, under Sections 1915 and 1924 of the Social  
10 Security Act and Section 5-4 of the Illinois Public Aid  
11 Code, who precedes a person receiving services under this  
12 Section in death. All moneys for services paid to or in  
13 behalf of the person under this Section shall be claimed  
14 for recovery from the deceased spouse's estate.  
15 "Homestead", as used in this paragraph, means the dwelling  
16 house and contiguous real estate occupied by a surviving  
17 spouse or relative, as defined by the rules and  
18 regulations of the Department of Healthcare and Family  
19 Services, regardless of the value of the property.

20 (g) To establish such subdivisions of the Department  
21 as shall be desirable and assign to the various  
22 subdivisions the responsibilities and duties placed upon  
23 the Department by law.

24 (h) To cooperate and enter into any necessary  
25 agreements with the Department of Employment Security for  
26 the provision of job placement and job referral services

1 to clients of the Department, including job service  
2 registration of such clients with Illinois Employment  
3 Security offices and making job listings maintained by the  
4 Department of Employment Security available to such  
5 clients.

6 (i) To possess all powers reasonable and necessary for  
7 the exercise and administration of the powers, duties and  
8 responsibilities of the Department which are provided for  
9 by law.

10 (j) (Blank).

11 (k) (Blank).

12 (l) To establish, operate, and maintain a Statewide  
13 Housing Clearinghouse of information on available  
14 government subsidized housing accessible to persons with  
15 disabilities and available privately owned housing  
16 accessible to persons with disabilities. The information  
17 shall include, but not be limited to, the location, rental  
18 requirements, access features and proximity to public  
19 transportation of available housing. The Clearinghouse  
20 shall consist of at least a computerized database for the  
21 storage and retrieval of information and a separate or  
22 shared toll free telephone number for use by those seeking  
23 information from the Clearinghouse. Department offices and  
24 personnel throughout the State shall also assist in the  
25 operation of the Statewide Housing Clearinghouse.  
26 Cooperation with local, State, and federal housing



1 managers shall be sought and extended in order to  
2 frequently and promptly update the Clearinghouse's  
3 information.

4 (m) To assure that the names and case records of  
5 persons who received or are receiving services from the  
6 Department, including persons receiving vocational  
7 rehabilitation, home services, or other services, and  
8 those attending one of the Department's schools or other  
9 supervised facility shall be confidential and not be open  
10 to the general public. Those case records and reports or  
11 the information contained in those records and reports  
12 shall be disclosed by the Director only to proper law  
13 enforcement officials, individuals authorized by a court,  
14 the General Assembly or any committee or commission of the  
15 General Assembly, and other persons and for reasons as the  
16 Director designates by rule. Disclosure by the Director  
17 may be only in accordance with other applicable law.

18 (Source: P.A. 102-264, eff. 8-6-21; 102-826, eff. 5-13-22.)

19 Section 15. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by  
20 changing Sections 5-2b, 5-5, and 5-5.01a as follows:

21 (305 ILCS 5/5-2b)

22 Sec. 5-2b. Medically fragile and technology dependent  
23 children eligibility and program. Notwithstanding any other  
24 provision of law except as provided in Section 5-30a, on and

1 after September 1, 2012, subject to federal approval, medical  
2 assistance under this Article shall be available to children  
3 who qualify as persons with a disability, as defined under the  
4 federal Supplemental Security Income program and who are  
5 medically fragile and technology dependent. The program shall  
6 allow eligible children to receive the medical assistance  
7 provided under this Article in the community and must  
8 maximize, to the fullest extent permissible under federal law,  
9 federal reimbursement and family cost-sharing, including  
10 co-pays, premiums, or any other family contributions, except  
11 that the Department shall be permitted to incentivize the  
12 utilization of selected services through the use of  
13 cost-sharing adjustments. The Department shall establish the  
14 policies, procedures, standards, services, and criteria for  
15 this program by rule. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
16 law, on and after July 1, 2025, level of care eligibility  
17 criteria for home and community-based services for medically  
18 fragile and technology dependent children shall be no more  
19 restrictive than the level of care criteria in place on  
20 January 1, 2023.

21 (Source: P.A. 100-990, eff. 1-1-19.)

22 (305 ILCS 5/5-5) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-5)

23 Sec. 5-5. Medical services. The Illinois Department, by  
24 rule, shall determine the quantity and quality of and the rate  
25 of reimbursement for the medical assistance for which payment

1 will be authorized, and the medical services to be provided,  
2 which may include all or part of the following: (1) inpatient  
3 hospital services; (2) outpatient hospital services; (3) other  
4 laboratory and X-ray services; (4) skilled nursing home  
5 services; (5) physicians' services whether furnished in the  
6 office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing  
7 home, or elsewhere; (6) medical care, or any other type of  
8 remedial care furnished by licensed practitioners; (7) home  
9 health care services; (8) private duty nursing service; (9)  
10 clinic services; (10) dental services, including prevention  
11 and treatment of periodontal disease and dental caries disease  
12 for pregnant individuals, provided by an individual licensed  
13 to practice dentistry or dental surgery; for purposes of this  
14 item (10), "dental services" means diagnostic, preventive, or  
15 corrective procedures provided by or under the supervision of  
16 a dentist in the practice of his or her profession; (11)  
17 physical therapy and related services; (12) prescribed drugs,  
18 dentures, and prosthetic devices; and eyeglasses prescribed by  
19 a physician skilled in the diseases of the eye, or by an  
20 optometrist, whichever the person may select; (13) other  
21 diagnostic, screening, preventive, and rehabilitative  
22 services, including to ensure that the individual's need for  
23 intervention or treatment of mental disorders or substance use  
24 disorders or co-occurring mental health and substance use  
25 disorders is determined using a uniform screening, assessment,  
26 and evaluation process inclusive of criteria, for children and

1 adults; for purposes of this item (13), a uniform screening,  
2 assessment, and evaluation process refers to a process that  
3 includes an appropriate evaluation and, as warranted, a  
4 referral; "uniform" does not mean the use of a singular  
5 instrument, tool, or process that all must utilize; (14)  
6 transportation and such other expenses as may be necessary;  
7 (15) medical treatment of sexual assault survivors, as defined  
8 in Section 1a of the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency  
9 Treatment Act, for injuries sustained as a result of the  
10 sexual assault, including examinations and laboratory tests to  
11 discover evidence which may be used in criminal proceedings  
12 arising from the sexual assault; (16) the diagnosis and  
13 treatment of sickle cell anemia; (16.5) services performed by  
14 a chiropractic physician licensed under the Medical Practice  
15 Act of 1987 and acting within the scope of his or her license,  
16 including, but not limited to, chiropractic manipulative  
17 treatment; and (17) any other medical care, and any other type  
18 of remedial care recognized under the laws of this State. The  
19 term "any other type of remedial care" shall include nursing  
20 care and nursing home service for persons who rely on  
21 treatment by spiritual means alone through prayer for healing.

22 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a  
23 comprehensive tobacco use cessation program that includes  
24 purchasing prescription drugs or prescription medical devices  
25 approved by the Food and Drug Administration shall be covered  
26 under the medical assistance program under this Article for

1 persons who are otherwise eligible for assistance under this  
2 Article.

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code,  
4 reproductive health care that is otherwise legal in Illinois  
5 shall be covered under the medical assistance program for  
6 persons who are otherwise eligible for medical assistance  
7 under this Article.

8 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, all  
9 tobacco cessation medications approved by the United States  
10 Food and Drug Administration and all individual and group  
11 tobacco cessation counseling services and telephone-based  
12 counseling services and tobacco cessation medications provided  
13 through the Illinois Tobacco Quitline shall be covered under  
14 the medical assistance program for persons who are otherwise  
15 eligible for assistance under this Article. The Department  
16 shall comply with all federal requirements necessary to obtain  
17 federal financial participation, as specified in 42 CFR  
18 433.15(b)(7), for telephone-based counseling services provided  
19 through the Illinois Tobacco Quitline, including, but not  
20 limited to: (i) entering into a memorandum of understanding or  
21 interagency agreement with the Department of Public Health, as  
22 administrator of the Illinois Tobacco Quitline; and (ii)  
23 developing a cost allocation plan for Medicaid-allowable  
24 Illinois Tobacco Quitline services in accordance with 45 CFR  
25 95.507. The Department shall submit the memorandum of  
26 understanding or interagency agreement, the cost allocation

1 plan, and all other necessary documentation to the Centers for  
2 Medicare and Medicaid Services for review and approval.  
3 Coverage under this paragraph shall be contingent upon federal  
4 approval.

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the  
6 Illinois Department may not require, as a condition of payment  
7 for any laboratory test authorized under this Article, that a  
8 physician's handwritten signature appear on the laboratory  
9 test order form. The Illinois Department may, however, impose  
10 other appropriate requirements regarding laboratory test order  
11 documentation.

12 Upon receipt of federal approval of an amendment to the  
13 Illinois Title XIX State Plan for this purpose, the Department  
14 shall authorize the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) to procure a  
15 vendor or vendors to manufacture eyeglasses for individuals  
16 enrolled in a school within the CPS system. CPS shall ensure  
17 that its vendor or vendors are enrolled as providers in the  
18 medical assistance program and in any capitated Medicaid  
19 managed care entity (MCE) serving individuals enrolled in a  
20 school within the CPS system. Under any contract procured  
21 under this provision, the vendor or vendors must serve only  
22 individuals enrolled in a school within the CPS system. Claims  
23 for services provided by CPS's vendor or vendors to recipients  
24 of benefits in the medical assistance program under this Code,  
25 the Children's Health Insurance Program, or the Covering ALL  
26 KIDS Health Insurance Program shall be submitted to the

1 Department or the MCE in which the individual is enrolled for  
2 payment and shall be reimbursed at the Department's or the  
3 MCE's established rates or rate methodologies for eyeglasses.

4 On and after July 1, 2012, the Department of Healthcare  
5 and Family Services may provide the following services to  
6 persons eligible for assistance under this Article who are  
7 participating in education, training or employment programs  
8 operated by the Department of Human Services as successor to  
9 the Department of Public Aid:

10 (1) dental services provided by or under the  
11 supervision of a dentist; and

12 (2) eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in  
13 the diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever  
14 the person may select.

15 On and after July 1, 2018, the Department of Healthcare  
16 and Family Services shall provide dental services to any adult  
17 who is otherwise eligible for assistance under the medical  
18 assistance program. As used in this paragraph, "dental  
19 services" means diagnostic, preventative, restorative, or  
20 corrective procedures, including procedures and services for  
21 the prevention and treatment of periodontal disease and dental  
22 caries disease, provided by an individual who is licensed to  
23 practice dentistry or dental surgery or who is under the  
24 supervision of a dentist in the practice of his or her  
25 profession.

26 On and after July 1, 2018, targeted dental services, as

1 set forth in Exhibit D of the Consent Decree entered by the  
2 United States District Court for the Northern District of  
3 Illinois, Eastern Division, in the matter of Memisovski v.  
4 Maram, Case No. 92 C 1982, that are provided to adults under  
5 the medical assistance program shall be established at no less  
6 than the rates set forth in the "New Rate" column in Exhibit D  
7 of the Consent Decree for targeted dental services that are  
8 provided to persons under the age of 18 under the medical  
9 assistance program.

10 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code and  
11 subject to federal approval, the Department may adopt rules to  
12 allow a dentist who is volunteering his or her service at no  
13 cost to render dental services through an enrolled  
14 not-for-profit health clinic without the dentist personally  
15 enrolling as a participating provider in the medical  
16 assistance program. A not-for-profit health clinic shall  
17 include a public health clinic or Federally Qualified Health  
18 Center or other enrolled provider, as determined by the  
19 Department, through which dental services covered under this  
20 Section are performed. The Department shall establish a  
21 process for payment of claims for reimbursement for covered  
22 dental services rendered under this provision.

23 On and after January 1, 2022, the Department of Healthcare  
24 and Family Services shall administer and regulate a  
25 school-based dental program that allows for the out-of-office  
26 delivery of preventative dental services in a school setting



1 to children under 19 years of age. The Department shall  
2 establish, by rule, guidelines for participation by providers  
3 and set requirements for follow-up referral care based on the  
4 requirements established in the Dental Office Reference Manual  
5 published by the Department that establishes the requirements  
6 for dentists participating in the All Kids Dental School  
7 Program. Every effort shall be made by the Department when  
8 developing the program requirements to consider the different  
9 geographic differences of both urban and rural areas of the  
10 State for initial treatment and necessary follow-up care. No  
11 provider shall be charged a fee by any unit of local government  
12 to participate in the school-based dental program administered  
13 by the Department. Nothing in this paragraph shall be  
14 construed to limit or preempt a home rule unit's or school  
15 district's authority to establish, change, or administer a  
16 school-based dental program in addition to, or independent of,  
17 the school-based dental program administered by the  
18 Department.

19 The Illinois Department, by rule, may distinguish and  
20 classify the medical services to be provided only in  
21 accordance with the classes of persons designated in Section  
22 5-2.

23 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services must  
24 provide coverage and reimbursement for amino acid-based  
25 elemental formulas, regardless of delivery method, for the  
26 diagnosis and treatment of (i) eosinophilic disorders and (ii)

1 short bowel syndrome when the prescribing physician has issued  
2 a written order stating that the amino acid-based elemental  
3 formula is medically necessary.

4 The Illinois Department shall authorize the provision of,  
5 and shall authorize payment for, screening by low-dose  
6 mammography for the presence of occult breast cancer for  
7 individuals 35 years of age or older who are eligible for  
8 medical assistance under this Article, as follows:

9 (A) A baseline mammogram for individuals 35 to 39  
10 years of age.

11 (B) An annual mammogram for individuals 40 years of  
12 age or older.

13 (C) A mammogram at the age and intervals considered  
14 medically necessary by the individual's health care  
15 provider for individuals under 40 years of age and having  
16 a family history of breast cancer, prior personal history  
17 of breast cancer, positive genetic testing, or other risk  
18 factors.

19 (D) A comprehensive ultrasound screening and MRI of an  
20 entire breast or breasts if a mammogram demonstrates  
21 heterogeneous or dense breast tissue or when medically  
22 necessary as determined by a physician licensed to  
23 practice medicine in all of its branches.

24 (E) A screening MRI when medically necessary, as  
25 determined by a physician licensed to practice medicine in  
26 all of its branches.

1 (F) A diagnostic mammogram when medically necessary,  
2 as determined by a physician licensed to practice medicine  
3 in all its branches, advanced practice registered nurse,  
4 or physician assistant.

5 The Department shall not impose a deductible, coinsurance,  
6 copayment, or any other cost-sharing requirement on the  
7 coverage provided under this paragraph; except that this  
8 sentence does not apply to coverage of diagnostic mammograms  
9 to the extent such coverage would disqualify a high-deductible  
10 health plan from eligibility for a health savings account  
11 pursuant to Section 223 of the Internal Revenue Code (26  
12 U.S.C. 223).

13 All screenings shall include a physical breast exam,  
14 instruction on self-examination and information regarding the  
15 frequency of self-examination and its value as a preventative  
16 tool.

17 For purposes of this Section:

18 "Diagnostic mammogram" means a mammogram obtained using  
19 diagnostic mammography.

20 "Diagnostic mammography" means a method of screening that  
21 is designed to evaluate an abnormality in a breast, including  
22 an abnormality seen or suspected on a screening mammogram or a  
23 subjective or objective abnormality otherwise detected in the  
24 breast.

25 "Low-dose mammography" means the x-ray examination of the  
26 breast using equipment dedicated specifically for mammography,

1 including the x-ray tube, filter, compression device, and  
2 image receptor, with an average radiation exposure delivery of  
3 less than one rad per breast for 2 views of an average size  
4 breast. The term also includes digital mammography and  
5 includes breast tomosynthesis.

6 "Breast tomosynthesis" means a radiologic procedure that  
7 involves the acquisition of projection images over the  
8 stationary breast to produce cross-sectional digital  
9 three-dimensional images of the breast.

10 If, at any time, the Secretary of the United States  
11 Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor  
12 agency, promulgates rules or regulations to be published in  
13 the Federal Register or publishes a comment in the Federal  
14 Register or issues an opinion, guidance, or other action that  
15 would require the State, pursuant to any provision of the  
16 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law  
17 111-148), including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C.  
18 18031(d)(3)(B) or any successor provision, to defray the cost  
19 of any coverage for breast tomosynthesis outlined in this  
20 paragraph, then the requirement that an insurer cover breast  
21 tomosynthesis is inoperative other than any such coverage  
22 authorized under Section 1902 of the Social Security Act, 42  
23 U.S.C. 1396a, and the State shall not assume any obligation  
24 for the cost of coverage for breast tomosynthesis set forth in  
25 this paragraph.

26 On and after January 1, 2016, the Department shall ensure

1 that all networks of care for adult clients of the Department  
2 include access to at least one breast imaging Center of  
3 Imaging Excellence as certified by the American College of  
4 Radiology.

5 On and after January 1, 2012, providers participating in a  
6 quality improvement program approved by the Department shall  
7 be reimbursed for screening and diagnostic mammography at the  
8 same rate as the Medicare program's rates, including the  
9 increased reimbursement for digital mammography and, after  
10 January 1, 2023 (the effective date of Public Act 102-1018)  
11 ~~this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly~~, breast  
12 tomosynthesis.

13 The Department shall convene an expert panel including  
14 representatives of hospitals, free-standing mammography  
15 facilities, and doctors, including radiologists, to establish  
16 quality standards for mammography.

17 On and after January 1, 2017, providers participating in a  
18 breast cancer treatment quality improvement program approved  
19 by the Department shall be reimbursed for breast cancer  
20 treatment at a rate that is no lower than 95% of the Medicare  
21 program's rates for the data elements included in the breast  
22 cancer treatment quality program.

23 The Department shall convene an expert panel, including  
24 representatives of hospitals, free-standing breast cancer  
25 treatment centers, breast cancer quality organizations, and  
26 doctors, including breast surgeons, reconstructive breast

1 surgeons, oncologists, and primary care providers to establish  
2 quality standards for breast cancer treatment.

3 Subject to federal approval, the Department shall  
4 establish a rate methodology for mammography at federally  
5 qualified health centers and other encounter-rate clinics.  
6 These clinics or centers may also collaborate with other  
7 hospital-based mammography facilities. By January 1, 2016, the  
8 Department shall report to the General Assembly on the status  
9 of the provision set forth in this paragraph.

10 The Department shall establish a methodology to remind  
11 individuals who are age-appropriate for screening mammography,  
12 but who have not received a mammogram within the previous 18  
13 months, of the importance and benefit of screening  
14 mammography. The Department shall work with experts in breast  
15 cancer outreach and patient navigation to optimize these  
16 reminders and shall establish a methodology for evaluating  
17 their effectiveness and modifying the methodology based on the  
18 evaluation.

19 The Department shall establish a performance goal for  
20 primary care providers with respect to their female patients  
21 over age 40 receiving an annual mammogram. This performance  
22 goal shall be used to provide additional reimbursement in the  
23 form of a quality performance bonus to primary care providers  
24 who meet that goal.

25 The Department shall devise a means of case-managing or  
26 patient navigation for beneficiaries diagnosed with breast

1 cancer. This program shall initially operate as a pilot  
2 program in areas of the State with the highest incidence of  
3 mortality related to breast cancer. At least one pilot program  
4 site shall be in the metropolitan Chicago area and at least one  
5 site shall be outside the metropolitan Chicago area. On or  
6 after July 1, 2016, the pilot program shall be expanded to  
7 include one site in western Illinois, one site in southern  
8 Illinois, one site in central Illinois, and 4 sites within  
9 metropolitan Chicago. An evaluation of the pilot program shall  
10 be carried out measuring health outcomes and cost of care for  
11 those served by the pilot program compared to similarly  
12 situated patients who are not served by the pilot program.

13 The Department shall require all networks of care to  
14 develop a means either internally or by contract with experts  
15 in navigation and community outreach to navigate cancer  
16 patients to comprehensive care in a timely fashion. The  
17 Department shall require all networks of care to include  
18 access for patients diagnosed with cancer to at least one  
19 academic commission on cancer-accredited cancer program as an  
20 in-network covered benefit.

21 The Department shall provide coverage and reimbursement  
22 for a human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine that is approved for  
23 marketing by the federal Food and Drug Administration for all  
24 persons between the ages of 9 and 45 and persons of the age of  
25 46 and above who have been diagnosed with cervical dysplasia  
26 with a high risk of recurrence or progression. The Department

1 shall disallow any preauthorization requirements for the  
2 administration of the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine.

3 On or after July 1, 2022, individuals who are otherwise  
4 eligible for medical assistance under this Article shall  
5 receive coverage for perinatal depression screenings for the  
6 12-month period beginning on the last day of their pregnancy.  
7 Medical assistance coverage under this paragraph shall be  
8 conditioned on the use of a screening instrument approved by  
9 the Department.

10 Any medical or health care provider shall immediately  
11 recommend, to any pregnant individual who is being provided  
12 prenatal services and is suspected of having a substance use  
13 disorder as defined in the Substance Use Disorder Act,  
14 referral to a local substance use disorder treatment program  
15 licensed by the Department of Human Services or to a licensed  
16 hospital which provides substance abuse treatment services.  
17 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall assure  
18 coverage for the cost of treatment of the drug abuse or  
19 addiction for pregnant recipients in accordance with the  
20 Illinois Medicaid Program in conjunction with the Department  
21 of Human Services.

22 All medical providers providing medical assistance to  
23 pregnant individuals under this Code shall receive information  
24 from the Department on the availability of services under any  
25 program providing case management services for addicted  
26 individuals, including information on appropriate referrals



1 for other social services that may be needed by addicted  
2 individuals in addition to treatment for addiction.

3 The Illinois Department, in cooperation with the  
4 Departments of Human Services (as successor to the Department  
5 of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse) and Public Health, through  
6 a public awareness campaign, may provide information  
7 concerning treatment for alcoholism and drug abuse and  
8 addiction, prenatal health care, and other pertinent programs  
9 directed at reducing the number of drug-affected infants born  
10 to recipients of medical assistance.

11 Neither the Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
12 nor the Department of Human Services shall sanction the  
13 recipient solely on the basis of the recipient's substance  
14 abuse.

15 The Illinois Department shall establish such regulations  
16 governing the dispensing of health services under this Article  
17 as it shall deem appropriate. The Department should seek the  
18 advice of formal professional advisory committees appointed by  
19 the Director of the Illinois Department for the purpose of  
20 providing regular advice on policy and administrative matters,  
21 information dissemination and educational activities for  
22 medical and health care providers, and consistency in  
23 procedures to the Illinois Department.

24 The Illinois Department may develop and contract with  
25 Partnerships of medical providers to arrange medical services  
26 for persons eligible under Section 5-2 of this Code.

1 Implementation of this Section may be by demonstration  
2 projects in certain geographic areas. The Partnership shall be  
3 represented by a sponsor organization. The Department, by  
4 rule, shall develop qualifications for sponsors of  
5 Partnerships. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to  
6 require that the sponsor organization be a medical  
7 organization.

8 The sponsor must negotiate formal written contracts with  
9 medical providers for physician services, inpatient and  
10 outpatient hospital care, home health services, treatment for  
11 alcoholism and substance abuse, and other services determined  
12 necessary by the Illinois Department by rule for delivery by  
13 Partnerships. Physician services must include prenatal and  
14 obstetrical care. The Illinois Department shall reimburse  
15 medical services delivered by Partnership providers to clients  
16 in target areas according to provisions of this Article and  
17 the Illinois Health Finance Reform Act, except that:

18 (1) Physicians participating in a Partnership and  
19 providing certain services, which shall be determined by  
20 the Illinois Department, to persons in areas covered by  
21 the Partnership may receive an additional surcharge for  
22 such services.

23 (2) The Department may elect to consider and negotiate  
24 financial incentives to encourage the development of  
25 Partnerships and the efficient delivery of medical care.

26 (3) Persons receiving medical services through

1 Partnerships may receive medical and case management  
2 services above the level usually offered through the  
3 medical assistance program.

4 Medical providers shall be required to meet certain  
5 qualifications to participate in Partnerships to ensure the  
6 delivery of high quality medical services. These  
7 qualifications shall be determined by rule of the Illinois  
8 Department and may be higher than qualifications for  
9 participation in the medical assistance program. Partnership  
10 sponsors may prescribe reasonable additional qualifications  
11 for participation by medical providers, only with the prior  
12 written approval of the Illinois Department.

13 Nothing in this Section shall limit the free choice of  
14 practitioners, hospitals, and other providers of medical  
15 services by clients. In order to ensure patient freedom of  
16 choice, the Illinois Department shall immediately promulgate  
17 all rules and take all other necessary actions so that  
18 provided services may be accessed from therapeutically  
19 certified optometrists to the full extent of the Illinois  
20 Optometric Practice Act of 1987 without discriminating between  
21 service providers.

22 The Department shall apply for a waiver from the United  
23 States Health Care Financing Administration to allow for the  
24 implementation of Partnerships under this Section.

25 The Illinois Department shall require health care  
26 providers to maintain records that document the medical care

1 and services provided to recipients of Medical Assistance  
2 under this Article. Such records must be retained for a period  
3 of not less than 6 years from the date of service or as  
4 provided by applicable State law, whichever period is longer,  
5 except that if an audit is initiated within the required  
6 retention period then the records must be retained until the  
7 audit is completed and every exception is resolved. The  
8 Illinois Department shall require health care providers to  
9 make available, when authorized by the patient, in writing,  
10 the medical records in a timely fashion to other health care  
11 providers who are treating or serving persons eligible for  
12 Medical Assistance under this Article. All dispensers of  
13 medical services shall be required to maintain and retain  
14 business and professional records sufficient to fully and  
15 accurately document the nature, scope, details and receipt of  
16 the health care provided to persons eligible for medical  
17 assistance under this Code, in accordance with regulations  
18 promulgated by the Illinois Department. The rules and  
19 regulations shall require that proof of the receipt of  
20 prescription drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and  
21 eyeglasses by eligible persons under this Section accompany  
22 each claim for reimbursement submitted by the dispenser of  
23 such medical services. No such claims for reimbursement shall  
24 be approved for payment by the Illinois Department without  
25 such proof of receipt, unless the Illinois Department shall  
26 have put into effect and shall be operating a system of

1 post-payment audit and review which shall, on a sampling  
2 basis, be deemed adequate by the Illinois Department to assure  
3 that such drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and eyeglasses  
4 for which payment is being made are actually being received by  
5 eligible recipients. Within 90 days after September 16, 1984  
6 (the effective date of Public Act 83-1439), the Illinois  
7 Department shall establish a current list of acquisition costs  
8 for all prosthetic devices and any other items recognized as  
9 medical equipment and supplies reimbursable under this Article  
10 and shall update such list on a quarterly basis, except that  
11 the acquisition costs of all prescription drugs shall be  
12 updated no less frequently than every 30 days as required by  
13 Section 5-5.12.

14 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the  
15 Illinois Department shall, within 365 days after July 22, 2013  
16 (the effective date of Public Act 98-104), establish  
17 procedures to permit skilled care facilities licensed under  
18 the Nursing Home Care Act to submit monthly billing claims for  
19 reimbursement purposes. Following development of these  
20 procedures, the Department shall, by July 1, 2016, test the  
21 viability of the new system and implement any necessary  
22 operational or structural changes to its information  
23 technology platforms in order to allow for the direct  
24 acceptance and payment of nursing home claims.

25 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the  
26 Illinois Department shall, within 365 days after August 15,

1 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-963), establish  
2 procedures to permit ID/DD facilities licensed under the ID/DD  
3 Community Care Act and MC/DD facilities licensed under the  
4 MC/DD Act to submit monthly billing claims for reimbursement  
5 purposes. Following development of these procedures, the  
6 Department shall have an additional 365 days to test the  
7 viability of the new system and to ensure that any necessary  
8 operational or structural changes to its information  
9 technology platforms are implemented.

10 The Illinois Department shall require all dispensers of  
11 medical services, other than an individual practitioner or  
12 group of practitioners, desiring to participate in the Medical  
13 Assistance program established under this Article to disclose  
14 all financial, beneficial, ownership, equity, surety or other  
15 interests in any and all firms, corporations, partnerships,  
16 associations, business enterprises, joint ventures, agencies,  
17 institutions or other legal entities providing any form of  
18 health care services in this State under this Article.

19 The Illinois Department may require that all dispensers of  
20 medical services desiring to participate in the medical  
21 assistance program established under this Article disclose,  
22 under such terms and conditions as the Illinois Department may  
23 by rule establish, all inquiries from clients and attorneys  
24 regarding medical bills paid by the Illinois Department, which  
25 inquiries could indicate potential existence of claims or  
26 liens for the Illinois Department.

1 Enrollment of a vendor shall be subject to a provisional  
2 period and shall be conditional for one year. During the  
3 period of conditional enrollment, the Department may terminate  
4 the vendor's eligibility to participate in, or may disenroll  
5 the vendor from, the medical assistance program without cause.  
6 Unless otherwise specified, such termination of eligibility or  
7 disenrollment is not subject to the Department's hearing  
8 process. However, a disenrolled vendor may reapply without  
9 penalty.

10 The Department has the discretion to limit the conditional  
11 enrollment period for vendors based upon category of risk of  
12 the vendor.

13 Prior to enrollment and during the conditional enrollment  
14 period in the medical assistance program, all vendors shall be  
15 subject to enhanced oversight, screening, and review based on  
16 the risk of fraud, waste, and abuse that is posed by the  
17 category of risk of the vendor. The Illinois Department shall  
18 establish the procedures for oversight, screening, and review,  
19 which may include, but need not be limited to: criminal and  
20 financial background checks; fingerprinting; license,  
21 certification, and authorization verifications; unscheduled or  
22 unannounced site visits; database checks; prepayment audit  
23 reviews; audits; payment caps; payment suspensions; and other  
24 screening as required by federal or State law.

25 The Department shall define or specify the following: (i)  
26 by provider notice, the "category of risk of the vendor" for

1 each type of vendor, which shall take into account the level of  
2 screening applicable to a particular category of vendor under  
3 federal law and regulations; (ii) by rule or provider notice,  
4 the maximum length of the conditional enrollment period for  
5 each category of risk of the vendor; and (iii) by rule, the  
6 hearing rights, if any, afforded to a vendor in each category  
7 of risk of the vendor that is terminated or disenrolled during  
8 the conditional enrollment period.

9 To be eligible for payment consideration, a vendor's  
10 payment claim or bill, either as an initial claim or as a  
11 resubmitted claim following prior rejection, must be received  
12 by the Illinois Department, or its fiscal intermediary, no  
13 later than 180 days after the latest date on the claim on which  
14 medical goods or services were provided, with the following  
15 exceptions:

16 (1) In the case of a provider whose enrollment is in  
17 process by the Illinois Department, the 180-day period  
18 shall not begin until the date on the written notice from  
19 the Illinois Department that the provider enrollment is  
20 complete.

21 (2) In the case of errors attributable to the Illinois  
22 Department or any of its claims processing intermediaries  
23 which result in an inability to receive, process, or  
24 adjudicate a claim, the 180-day period shall not begin  
25 until the provider has been notified of the error.

26 (3) In the case of a provider for whom the Illinois



1 Department initiates the monthly billing process.

2 (4) In the case of a provider operated by a unit of  
3 local government with a population exceeding 3,000,000  
4 when local government funds finance federal participation  
5 for claims payments.

6 For claims for services rendered during a period for which  
7 a recipient received retroactive eligibility, claims must be  
8 filed within 180 days after the Department determines the  
9 applicant is eligible. For claims for which the Illinois  
10 Department is not the primary payer, claims must be submitted  
11 to the Illinois Department within 180 days after the final  
12 adjudication by the primary payer.

13 In the case of long term care facilities, within 120  
14 calendar days of receipt by the facility of required  
15 prescreening information, new admissions with associated  
16 admission documents shall be submitted through the Medical  
17 Electronic Data Interchange (MEDI) or the Recipient  
18 Eligibility Verification (REV) System or shall be submitted  
19 directly to the Department of Human Services using required  
20 admission forms. Effective September 1, 2014, admission  
21 documents, including all prescreening information, must be  
22 submitted through MEDI or REV. Confirmation numbers assigned  
23 to an accepted transaction shall be retained by a facility to  
24 verify timely submittal. Once an admission transaction has  
25 been completed, all resubmitted claims following prior  
26 rejection are subject to receipt no later than 180 days after

1 the admission transaction has been completed.

2 Claims that are not submitted and received in compliance  
3 with the foregoing requirements shall not be eligible for  
4 payment under the medical assistance program, and the State  
5 shall have no liability for payment of those claims.

6 To the extent consistent with applicable information and  
7 privacy, security, and disclosure laws, State and federal  
8 agencies and departments shall provide the Illinois Department  
9 access to confidential and other information and data  
10 necessary to perform eligibility and payment verifications and  
11 other Illinois Department functions. This includes, but is not  
12 limited to: information pertaining to licensure;  
13 certification; earnings; immigration status; citizenship; wage  
14 reporting; unearned and earned income; pension income;  
15 employment; supplemental security income; social security  
16 numbers; National Provider Identifier (NPI) numbers; the  
17 National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB); program and agency  
18 exclusions; taxpayer identification numbers; tax delinquency;  
19 corporate information; and death records.

20 The Illinois Department shall enter into agreements with  
21 State agencies and departments, and is authorized to enter  
22 into agreements with federal agencies and departments, under  
23 which such agencies and departments shall share data necessary  
24 for medical assistance program integrity functions and  
25 oversight. The Illinois Department shall develop, in  
26 cooperation with other State departments and agencies, and in

1 compliance with applicable federal laws and regulations,  
2 appropriate and effective methods to share such data. At a  
3 minimum, and to the extent necessary to provide data sharing,  
4 the Illinois Department shall enter into agreements with State  
5 agencies and departments, and is authorized to enter into  
6 agreements with federal agencies and departments, including,  
7 but not limited to: the Secretary of State; the Department of  
8 Revenue; the Department of Public Health; the Department of  
9 Human Services; and the Department of Financial and  
10 Professional Regulation.

11 Beginning in fiscal year 2013, the Illinois Department  
12 shall set forth a request for information to identify the  
13 benefits of a pre-payment, post-adjudication, and post-edit  
14 claims system with the goals of streamlining claims processing  
15 and provider reimbursement, reducing the number of pending or  
16 rejected claims, and helping to ensure a more transparent  
17 adjudication process through the utilization of: (i) provider  
18 data verification and provider screening technology; and (ii)  
19 clinical code editing; and (iii) pre-pay, pre- or  
20 post-adjudicated predictive modeling with an integrated case  
21 management system with link analysis. Such a request for  
22 information shall not be considered as a request for proposal  
23 or as an obligation on the part of the Illinois Department to  
24 take any action or acquire any products or services.

25 The Illinois Department shall establish policies,  
26 procedures, standards and criteria by rule for the

1 acquisition, repair and replacement of orthotic and prosthetic  
2 devices and durable medical equipment. Such rules shall  
3 provide, but not be limited to, the following services: (1)  
4 immediate repair or replacement of such devices by recipients;  
5 and (2) rental, lease, purchase or lease-purchase of durable  
6 medical equipment in a cost-effective manner, taking into  
7 consideration the recipient's medical prognosis, the extent of  
8 the recipient's needs, and the requirements and costs for  
9 maintaining such equipment. Subject to prior approval, such  
10 rules shall enable a recipient to temporarily acquire and use  
11 alternative or substitute devices or equipment pending repairs  
12 or replacements of any device or equipment previously  
13 authorized for such recipient by the Department.  
14 Notwithstanding any provision of Section 5-5f to the contrary,  
15 the Department may, by rule, exempt certain replacement  
16 wheelchair parts from prior approval and, for wheelchairs,  
17 wheelchair parts, wheelchair accessories, and related seating  
18 and positioning items, determine the wholesale price by  
19 methods other than actual acquisition costs.

20 The Department shall require, by rule, all providers of  
21 durable medical equipment to be accredited by an accreditation  
22 organization approved by the federal Centers for Medicare and  
23 Medicaid Services and recognized by the Department in order to  
24 bill the Department for providing durable medical equipment to  
25 recipients. No later than 15 months after the effective date  
26 of the rule adopted pursuant to this paragraph, all providers

1 must meet the accreditation requirement.

2 In order to promote environmental responsibility, meet the  
3 needs of recipients and enrollees, and achieve significant  
4 cost savings, the Department, or a managed care organization  
5 under contract with the Department, may provide recipients or  
6 managed care enrollees who have a prescription or Certificate  
7 of Medical Necessity access to refurbished durable medical  
8 equipment under this Section (excluding prosthetic and  
9 orthotic devices as defined in the Orthotics, Prosthetics, and  
10 Pedorthics Practice Act and complex rehabilitation technology  
11 products and associated services) through the State's  
12 assistive technology program's reutilization program, using  
13 staff with the Assistive Technology Professional (ATP)  
14 Certification if the refurbished durable medical equipment:  
15 (i) is available; (ii) is less expensive, including shipping  
16 costs, than new durable medical equipment of the same type;  
17 (iii) is able to withstand at least 3 years of use; (iv) is  
18 cleaned, disinfected, sterilized, and safe in accordance with  
19 federal Food and Drug Administration regulations and guidance  
20 governing the reprocessing of medical devices in health care  
21 settings; and (v) equally meets the needs of the recipient or  
22 enrollee. The reutilization program shall confirm that the  
23 recipient or enrollee is not already in receipt of the same or  
24 similar equipment from another service provider, and that the  
25 refurbished durable medical equipment equally meets the needs  
26 of the recipient or enrollee. Nothing in this paragraph shall

1 be construed to limit recipient or enrollee choice to obtain  
2 new durable medical equipment or place any additional prior  
3 authorization conditions on enrollees of managed care  
4 organizations.

5 The Department shall execute, relative to the nursing home  
6 prescreening project, written inter-agency agreements with the  
7 Department of Human Services and the Department on Aging, to  
8 effect the following: (i) intake procedures and common  
9 eligibility criteria for those persons who are receiving  
10 non-institutional services; and (ii) the establishment and  
11 development of non-institutional services in areas of the  
12 State where they are not currently available or are  
13 undeveloped; ~~and (iii) notwithstanding any other provision of~~  
14 ~~law, subject to federal approval, on and after July 1, 2012, an~~  
15 ~~increase in the determination of need (DON) scores from 29 to~~  
16 ~~37 for applicants for institutional and home and~~  
17 ~~community based long term care; if and only if federal~~  
18 ~~approval is not granted, the Department may, in conjunction~~  
19 ~~with other affected agencies, implement utilization controls~~  
20 ~~or changes in benefit packages to effectuate a similar savings~~  
21 ~~amount for this population; and (iv) no later than July 1,~~  
22 ~~2013, minimum level of care eligibility criteria for~~  
23 ~~institutional and home and community based long term care; and~~  
24 ~~(v)~~ no later than October 1, 2013, establish procedures to  
25 permit long term care providers access to eligibility scores  
26 for individuals with an admission date who are seeking or

1 receiving services from the long term care provider; and (iv)  
2 notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to federal  
3 approval, on and after July 1, 2025, an increase in the  
4 determination of need score (DON) threshold to 37 for  
5 applicants for institutional long term care. ~~In order to~~  
6 ~~select the minimum level of care eligibility criteria, the~~  
7 ~~Governor shall establish a workgroup that includes affected~~  
8 ~~agency representatives and stakeholders representing the~~  
9 ~~institutional and home and community based long term care~~  
10 ~~interests.~~ This Section shall not restrict the Department from  
11 implementing lower level of care eligibility criteria for  
12 community-based services in circumstances where federal  
13 approval has been granted. The Department shall pursue such  
14 approvals and any other measures necessary to implement  
15 changes in this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly.

16 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, on  
17 and after July 1, 2025 but before July 1, 2027, continuation of  
18 a nursing facility stay that began on or before June 30, 2025  
19 by a person with a DON score between 29 and 36 may be covered  
20 when such stay would be otherwise eligible under this Code,  
21 provided the nursing facility: (i) has documented that the  
22 individual was offered and declined appropriate home and  
23 community-based services; (ii) documents that each month the  
24 individual has been reassessed with a DON score in the  
25 qualifying range; and (iii) for such individuals who at any  
26 time choose to transition to community living, arranges for

1 the appropriate housing, transitional supports, and home and  
2 community-based services to effectuate a successful  
3 transition. The Department shall, by rule, set a maximum total  
4 number of individuals to be covered under this paragraph and  
5 other limits on utilization that it deems appropriate.

6 The Illinois Department shall develop and operate, in  
7 cooperation with other State Departments and agencies and in  
8 compliance with applicable federal laws and regulations,  
9 appropriate and effective systems of health care evaluation  
10 and programs for monitoring of utilization of health care  
11 services and facilities, as it affects persons eligible for  
12 medical assistance under this Code.

13 The Illinois Department shall report annually to the  
14 General Assembly, no later than the second Friday in April of  
15 1979 and each year thereafter, in regard to:

16 (a) actual statistics and trends in utilization of  
17 medical services by public aid recipients;

18 (b) actual statistics and trends in the provision of  
19 the various medical services by medical vendors;

20 (c) current rate structures and proposed changes in  
21 those rate structures for the various medical vendors; and

22 (d) efforts at utilization review and control by the  
23 Illinois Department.

24 The period covered by each report shall be the 3 years  
25 ending on the June 30 prior to the report. The report shall  
26 include suggested legislation for consideration by the General



1 Assembly. The requirement for reporting to the General  
2 Assembly shall be satisfied by filing copies of the report as  
3 required by Section 3.1 of the General Assembly Organization  
4 Act, and filing such additional copies with the State  
5 Government Report Distribution Center for the General Assembly  
6 as is required under paragraph (t) of Section 7 of the State  
7 Library Act.

8 Rulemaking authority to implement Public Act 95-1045, if  
9 any, is conditioned on the rules being adopted in accordance  
10 with all provisions of the Illinois Administrative Procedure  
11 Act and all rules and procedures of the Joint Committee on  
12 Administrative Rules; any purported rule not so adopted, for  
13 whatever reason, is unauthorized.

14 On and after July 1, 2012, the Department shall reduce any  
15 rate of reimbursement for services or other payments or alter  
16 any methodologies authorized by this Code to reduce any rate  
17 of reimbursement for services or other payments in accordance  
18 with Section 5-5e.

19 Because kidney transplantation can be an appropriate,  
20 cost-effective alternative to renal dialysis when medically  
21 necessary and notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1-11  
22 of this Code, beginning October 1, 2014, the Department shall  
23 cover kidney transplantation for noncitizens with end-stage  
24 renal disease who are not eligible for comprehensive medical  
25 benefits, who meet the residency requirements of Section 5-3  
26 of this Code, and who would otherwise meet the financial

1 requirements of the appropriate class of eligible persons  
2 under Section 5-2 of this Code. To qualify for coverage of  
3 kidney transplantation, such person must be receiving  
4 emergency renal dialysis services covered by the Department.  
5 Providers under this Section shall be prior approved and  
6 certified by the Department to perform kidney transplantation  
7 and the services under this Section shall be limited to  
8 services associated with kidney transplantation.

9 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the  
10 contrary, on or after July 1, 2015, all FDA approved forms of  
11 medication assisted treatment prescribed for the treatment of  
12 alcohol dependence or treatment of opioid dependence shall be  
13 covered under both fee for service and managed care medical  
14 assistance programs for persons who are otherwise eligible for  
15 medical assistance under this Article and shall not be subject  
16 to any (1) utilization control, other than those established  
17 under the American Society of Addiction Medicine patient  
18 placement criteria, (2) prior authorization mandate, or (3)  
19 lifetime restriction limit mandate.

20 On or after July 1, 2015, opioid antagonists prescribed  
21 for the treatment of an opioid overdose, including the  
22 medication product, administration devices, and any pharmacy  
23 fees or hospital fees related to the dispensing, distribution,  
24 and administration of the opioid antagonist, shall be covered  
25 under the medical assistance program for persons who are  
26 otherwise eligible for medical assistance under this Article.

1 As used in this Section, "opioid antagonist" means a drug that  
2 binds to opioid receptors and blocks or inhibits the effect of  
3 opioids acting on those receptors, including, but not limited  
4 to, naloxone hydrochloride or any other similarly acting drug  
5 approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The  
6 Department shall not impose a copayment on the coverage  
7 provided for naloxone hydrochloride under the medical  
8 assistance program.

9 Upon federal approval, the Department shall provide  
10 coverage and reimbursement for all drugs that are approved for  
11 marketing by the federal Food and Drug Administration and that  
12 are recommended by the federal Public Health Service or the  
13 United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for  
14 pre-exposure prophylaxis and related pre-exposure prophylaxis  
15 services, including, but not limited to, HIV and sexually  
16 transmitted infection screening, treatment for sexually  
17 transmitted infections, medical monitoring, assorted labs, and  
18 counseling to reduce the likelihood of HIV infection among  
19 individuals who are not infected with HIV but who are at high  
20 risk of HIV infection.

21 A federally qualified health center, as defined in Section  
22 1905(1)(2)(B) of the federal Social Security Act, shall be  
23 reimbursed by the Department in accordance with the federally  
24 qualified health center's encounter rate for services provided  
25 to medical assistance recipients that are performed by a  
26 dental hygienist, as defined under the Illinois Dental

1 Practice Act, working under the general supervision of a  
2 dentist and employed by a federally qualified health center.

3 Within 90 days after October 8, 2021 (the effective date  
4 of Public Act 102-665), the Department shall seek federal  
5 approval of a State Plan amendment to expand coverage for  
6 family planning services that includes presumptive eligibility  
7 to individuals whose income is at or below 208% of the federal  
8 poverty level. Coverage under this Section shall be effective  
9 beginning no later than December 1, 2022.

10 Subject to approval by the federal Centers for Medicare  
11 and Medicaid Services of a Title XIX State Plan amendment  
12 electing the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly  
13 (PACE) as a State Medicaid option, as provided for by Subtitle  
14 I (commencing with Section 4801) of Title IV of the Balanced  
15 Budget Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-33) and Part 460  
16 (commencing with Section 460.2) of Subchapter E of Title 42 of  
17 the Code of Federal Regulations, PACE program services shall  
18 become a covered benefit of the medical assistance program,  
19 subject to criteria established in accordance with all  
20 applicable laws.

21 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code,  
22 community-based pediatric palliative care from a trained  
23 interdisciplinary team shall be covered under the medical  
24 assistance program as provided in Section 15 of the Pediatric  
25 Palliative Care Act.

26 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, within

1 12 months after June 2, 2022 (the effective date of Public Act  
2 102-1037) ~~this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly~~  
3 and subject to federal approval, acupuncture services  
4 performed by an acupuncturist licensed under the Acupuncture  
5 Practice Act who is acting within the scope of his or her  
6 license shall be covered under the medical assistance program.  
7 The Department shall apply for any federal waiver or State  
8 Plan amendment, if required, to implement this paragraph. The  
9 Department may adopt any rules, including standards and  
10 criteria, necessary to implement this paragraph.

11 (Source: P.A. 101-209, eff. 8-5-19; 101-580, eff. 1-1-20;  
12 102-43, Article 30, Section 30-5, eff. 7-6-21; 102-43, Article  
13 35, Section 35-5, eff. 7-6-21; 102-43, Article 55, Section  
14 55-5, eff. 7-6-21; 102-95, eff. 1-1-22; 102-123, eff. 1-1-22;  
15 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-598, eff. 1-1-22; 102-655, eff.  
16 1-1-22; 102-665, eff. 10-8-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22;  
17 102-1018, eff. 1-1-23; 102-1037, eff. 6-2-22; 102-1038 eff.  
18 1-1-23; revised 12-14-22.)

19 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.01a)

20 Sec. 5-5.01a. Supportive living facilities program.

21 (a) The Department shall establish and provide oversight  
22 for a program of supportive living facilities that seek to  
23 promote resident independence, dignity, respect, and  
24 well-being in the most cost-effective manner.

25 A supportive living facility is (i) a free-standing

1 facility or (ii) a distinct physical and operational entity  
2 within a mixed-use building that meets the criteria  
3 established in subsection (d). A supportive living facility  
4 integrates housing with health, personal care, and supportive  
5 services and is a designated setting that offers residents  
6 their own separate, private, and distinct living units.

7 Sites for the operation of the program shall be selected  
8 by the Department based upon criteria that may include the  
9 need for services in a geographic area, the availability of  
10 funding, and the site's ability to meet the standards.

11 Individuals with a score of 29 or higher based on the  
12 determination of need assessment tool shall be eligible to  
13 receive services through the program of supportive living  
14 facilities.

15 (b) Beginning July 1, 2014, subject to federal approval,  
16 the Medicaid rates for supportive living facilities shall be  
17 equal to the supportive living facility Medicaid rate  
18 effective on June 30, 2014 increased by 8.85%. Once the  
19 assessment imposed at Article V-G of this Code is determined  
20 to be a permissible tax under Title XIX of the Social Security  
21 Act, the Department shall increase the Medicaid rates for  
22 supportive living facilities effective on July 1, 2014 by  
23 9.09%. The Department shall apply this increase retroactively  
24 to coincide with the imposition of the assessment in Article  
25 V-G of this Code in accordance with the approval for federal  
26 financial participation by the Centers for Medicare and

1 Medicaid Services.

2 The Medicaid rates for supportive living facilities  
3 effective on July 1, 2017 must be equal to the rates in effect  
4 for supportive living facilities on June 30, 2017 increased by  
5 2.8%.

6 The Medicaid rates for supportive living facilities  
7 effective on July 1, 2018 must be equal to the rates in effect  
8 for supportive living facilities on June 30, 2018.

9 Subject to federal approval, the Medicaid rates for  
10 supportive living services on and after July 1, 2019 must be at  
11 least 54.3% of the average total nursing facility services per  
12 diem for the geographic areas defined by the Department while  
13 maintaining the rate differential for dementia care and must  
14 be updated whenever the total nursing facility service per  
15 diems are updated. Beginning July 1, 2022, upon the  
16 implementation of the Patient Driven Payment Model, Medicaid  
17 rates for supportive living services must be at least 54.3% of  
18 the average total nursing services per diem rate for the  
19 geographic areas. For purposes of this provision, the average  
20 total nursing services per diem rate shall include all add-ons  
21 for nursing facilities for the geographic area provided for in  
22 Section 5-5.2. The rate differential for dementia care must be  
23 maintained in these rates and the rates shall be updated  
24 whenever nursing facility per diem rates are updated.

25 (c) The Department may adopt rules to implement this  
26 Section. Rules that establish or modify the services,

1 standards, and conditions for participation in the program  
2 shall be adopted by the Department in consultation with the  
3 Department on Aging, the Department of Rehabilitation  
4 Services, and the Department of Mental Health and  
5 Developmental Disabilities (or their successor agencies).

6 (d) Subject to federal approval by the Centers for  
7 Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Department shall accept  
8 for consideration of certification under the program any  
9 application for a site or building where distinct parts of the  
10 site or building are designated for purposes other than the  
11 provision of supportive living services, but only if:

12 (1) those distinct parts of the site or building are  
13 not designated for the purpose of providing assisted  
14 living services as required under the Assisted Living and  
15 Shared Housing Act;

16 (2) those distinct parts of the site or building are  
17 completely separate from the part of the building used for  
18 the provision of supportive living program services,  
19 including separate entrances;

20 (3) those distinct parts of the site or building do  
21 not share any common spaces with the part of the building  
22 used for the provision of supportive living program  
23 services; and

24 (4) those distinct parts of the site or building do  
25 not share staffing with the part of the building used for  
26 the provision of supportive living program services.



1 (e) Facilities or distinct parts of facilities which are  
2 selected as supportive living facilities and are in good  
3 standing with the Department's rules are exempt from the  
4 provisions of the Nursing Home Care Act and the Illinois  
5 Health Facilities Planning Act.

6 (f) Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021  
7 (Public Law 117-2) authorizes a 10% enhanced federal medical  
8 assistance percentage for supportive living services for a  
9 12-month period from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022.  
10 Subject to federal approval, including the approval of any  
11 necessary waiver amendments or other federally required  
12 documents or assurances, for a 12-month period the Department  
13 must pay a supplemental \$26 per diem rate to all supportive  
14 living facilities with the additional federal financial  
15 participation funds that result from the enhanced federal  
16 medical assistance percentage from April 1, 2021 through March  
17 31, 2022. The Department may issue parameters around how the  
18 supplemental payment should be spent, including quality  
19 improvement activities. The Department may alter the form,  
20 methods, or timeframes concerning the supplemental per diem  
21 rate to comply with any subsequent changes to federal law,  
22 changes made by guidance issued by the federal Centers for  
23 Medicare and Medicaid Services, or other changes necessary to  
24 receive the enhanced federal medical assistance percentage.

25 (Source: P.A. 101-10, eff. 6-5-19; 102-43, eff. 7-6-21;  
26 102-699, eff. 4-19-22.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,  
2    2025.