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1 AN ACT concerning health.

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

- Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Reproductive Health and Access Act.
- Section 5. Findings and policy. The General Assembly finds and declares that every individual possesses a fundamental right of privacy with respect to reproductive decisions.
 - It is the public policy of this State to ensure that all individuals have appropriate and necessary access to the full range of reproductive education, healthcare, and services, including, but not limited to, prenatal care, adoption, contraceptive care including timely access to emergency contraception, pregnancy termination, comprehensive sexual health education, and screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections.
- 17 Section 10. Definitions. In this Act:
- "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches under the Medical Practice Act of 1987.
- "Pregnancy termination" or "termination of pregnancy"

 means any medical treatment intended to terminate a pregnancy.
- 22 Pregnancy termination shall not include medical treatment

- conducted for the purpose of increasing the probability of the 1
- 2 birth of a sustainable life.
- "Viability" means that stage of fetal development when, in 3
- the medical judgment of the attending physician, based on the 4
- 5 particular medical facts of the case before the physician,
- there is a reasonable likelihood of the sustained survival of 6
- the fetus outside of the uterus with or without artificial 7
- 8 support.
- 9 Section 15. Prohibition of interference.
- 10 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or any
- 11 other law to the contrary, the State of Illinois,
- 12 municipality, county, township, school district, or other
- political subdivision of the State, or any agency, department, 1.3
- 14 or division of any governmental entity shall not:
- 15 (1) deny or interfere with an individual's right to use
- 16 or refuse contraception;
- (2) deny or interfere with a pregnant woman's right to 17
- bear a child; 18
- 19 (3) deny or interfere with a pregnant woman's right to
- terminate a pregnancy: (i) prior to the viability of the 20
- 21 fetus or (ii) when the abortion is necessary to protect the
- 22 life or health of the pregnant woman; or
- 23 (4) require any woman to terminate pregnancy without
- 24 her consent.
- 25 (b) Any party aggrieved by conduct that violates subsection

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non-frivolous claim was a catalyst for a unilateral change in

motion, be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and

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Section 20. Non-discrimination in funding. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or any other law to the contrary, the State shall ensure that individuals eligible for medical assistance under the Public Aid Code, or other State medical assistance, or health benefits under the Children's Health Insurance Program Act, the Covering ALL KIDS Health Insurance Act, or the Veterans' Health Insurance Program Act of 2008 shall receive coverage for reproductive healthcare at least to the same extent as other comparable services. Violation of this provision shall constitute a denial or interference in contravention of Section 15 of this Act. Such provision shall not prohibit the Department from establishing

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- 1 reasonable utilization control or cost containment measures
- 2 designed to assure the quality, cost effectiveness, and
- 3 appropriateness of healthcare services provided.
- 4 Section 25. Pregnancy terminations.
 - (a) Pregnancy terminations shall be performed in accordance with accepted standards of medical practice, by the method that, in the clinical judgment of the attending physician, will best serve the interests of the pregnant patient. A qualified medical professional shall not be liable for civil damages or subject to criminal penalty relating to a pregnancy termination performed in good faith and in accordance with accepted standards of medical practice.
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or any other law to the contrary, a report of each pregnancy termination performed shall be made to the Illinois Department of Public Health on forms prescribed by the Department. Such report forms shall not identify the patient by name and shall preserve the anonymity of each woman who has obtained a pregnancy termination. The Department of Public Health shall promulgate and enforce regulations regarding the administration of these reporting requirements that secure protection of patient identity and ensure the anonymity of each woman who has undergone a pregnancy termination. Failure of the Department to preserve confidentiality and anonymity shall constitute interference in contravention of Section 15 of this

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Section 30. Sexual health education. Notwithstanding any 2 3 other provision of this Act or any other law, all Illinois 4 schools shall offer medically accurate, 5 appropriate, comprehensive sexual health education as a part of 6 the Comprehensive Health Education Program established in Section 3 of the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive 7 Health Education Act. Course material and instruction shall be 8 9 free of bias in accordance with the nondiscrimination 10 provisions of the Illinois Human Rights Act. The State Board of 11 Education shall promulgate and enforce rules consistent with this provision. 12

Section 35. Construction. This Act and the rules now or hereafter applicable thereto shall be liberally construed consistent with the public policies announced in this Act.

Section 40. Parental notice. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal, amend, or otherwise change the Illinois Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995. To the extent that this Act conflicts with the Illinois Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995, the Illinois Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995 controls.

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Section 45. Acts. Notwithstanding 1 Other anv 2 provision of this Act, nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal, amend, or otherwise change the Health Care Right of 3 Conscience Act. To the extent that this Act conflicts with the 4 Health Care Right of Conscience Act, the Health Care Right of 5

- 7 Section 85. The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 8 is amended by changing Section 6 as follows:
- (5 ILCS 375/6) (from Ch. 127, par. 526) 9
- 10 Sec. 6. Program of health benefits.
- 11 The program of health benefits shall provide for protection against the financial costs of health care expenses 12 13 incurred in and out of hospital including 14 hospital-surgical-medical coverages. The program may include, 15 but shall not be limited to, such supplemental coverages as diagnostic X-ray and laboratory 16 out-patient expenses, 17 prescription drugs, dental services, hearing evaluations, hearing aids, the dispensing and fitting of hearing aids, and 18 similar group benefits as are now or may become available. 19 20 However, nothing in this Act shall be construed to permit, on 21 or after July 1, 1980, the non-contributory portion of any program to include the expenses of obtaining an abortion, 22 23 induced miscarriage or induced premature birth unless, in the 24 opinion of a physician, such procedures are necessary for the

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preservation of the life of the woman seeking such treatment, or except an induced premature birth intended to produce a live viable child and such procedure is necessary for the health of the mother or the unborn child. The program may also include coverage for those who rely on treatment by prayer or spiritual means alone for healing in accordance with the tenets and practice of a recognized religious denomination.

The program of health benefits shall be designed by the Director (1) to provide a reasonable relationship between the benefits to be included and the expected distribution of expenses of each such type to be incurred by the covered members and dependents, (2) to specify, as covered benefits and as optional benefits, the medical services of practitioners in all categories licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987, (3) to include reasonable controls, which may include deductible and co-insurance provisions, applicable to some or all of the benefits, or a coordination of benefits provision, to prevent or minimize unnecessary utilization of the various hospital, surgical and medical expenses to be provided and to provide reasonable assurance of stability of the program, and (4) to provide benefits to the extent possible to members throughout the State, wherever located, on an equitable basis. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section or Act, for all members or dependents who are eligible for benefits under Social Security or the Railroad Retirement system or who had sufficient Medicare-covered government employment, the

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Department shall reduce benefits which would otherwise be paid by Medicare, by the amount of benefits for which the member or dependents are eligible under Medicare, except that such reduction in benefits shall apply only to those members or dependents who (1) first become eligible for such medicare coverage on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1992; or (2) are Medicare-eligible members or dependents of a local government unit which began participation in the program on or after July 1, 1992; or (3) remain eligible for but no longer receive Medicare coverage which they had been receiving on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1992.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, where a covered member or dependents are eligible for benefits under the federal Medicare health insurance program (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act as added by Public Law 89-97, 89th Congress), benefits paid under the State of Illinois program or plan will be reduced by the amount of benefits paid by Medicare. For members or dependents who are eligible for benefits under Social Security or the Railroad Retirement system or who had sufficient Medicare-covered government employment, benefits shall be reduced by the amount for which the member or dependent is eligible under Medicare, except that such reduction in benefits shall apply only to those members or dependents who (1) first become eligible for such Medicare coverage on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act

- of 1992; or (2) are Medicare-eligible members or dependents of
- 2 a local government unit which began participation in the
- 3 program on or after July 1, 1992; or (3) remain eligible for,
- 4 but no longer receive Medicare coverage which they had been
- 5 receiving on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act
- of 1992. Premiums may be adjusted, where applicable, to an
- 7 amount deemed by the Director to be reasonably consistent with
- 8 any reduction of benefits.
- 9 (b) A member, not otherwise covered by this Act, who has
- 10 retired as a participating member under Article 2 of the
- 11 Illinois Pension Code but is ineligible for the retirement
- 12 annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code, shall
- pay the premiums for coverage, not exceeding the amount paid by
- the State for the non-contributory coverage for other members,
- 15 under the group health benefits program under this Act. The
- Director shall determine the premiums to be paid by a member
- 17 under this subsection (b).
- 18 (Source: P.A. 93-47, eff. 7-1-03.)
- 19 Section 90. The Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive
- 20 Health Education Act is amended by changing Section 3 as
- 21 follows:
- 22 (105 ILCS 110/3)
- Sec. 3. Comprehensive Health Education Program. The
- 24 program established under this Act shall include, but not be

limited to, the following major educational areas as a basis 1 2 for curricula in all elementary and secondary schools in this 3 State: human ecology and health, human growth and development, the emotional, psychological, physiological, hygienic and 5 social responsibilities of family life, including sexual 6 abstinence until marriage, prevention and control of disease, including instruction in grades 6 through 12 on the prevention, 7 8 transmission and spread of AIDS, sexual assault awareness in 9 secondary schools, public and environmental health, consumer 10 health, safety education and disaster survival, mental health 11 and illness, personal health habits, alcohol, drug use, and 12 abuse including the medical and legal ramifications of alcohol, and tobacco use, abuse during pregnancy, 13 drua. 14 abstinence until marriage, tobacco, nutrition, and dental 15 health. The program shall also provide course material and 16 instruction to advise pupils of the Abandoned Newborn Infant 17 Protection Act. The program shall include information about cancer, including without limitation types of cancer, signs and 18 19 symptoms, risk factors, the importance of early prevention and 20 information on where to go detection, and for 21 Notwithstanding the above educational areas, the following 22 areas may also be included as a basis for curricula in all 23 elementary and secondary schools in this State: basic first aid 24 (including, but not limited to, cardiopulmonary resuscitation 25 and the Heimlich maneuver), heart disease, diabetes, stroke, 26 the prevention of child abuse, neglect, and suicide, and teen

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dating violence in grades 8 through 12.

The school board of each public elementary and secondary school in the State shall encourage all teachers and other school personnel to acquire, develop, and maintain the and skills necessary to properly administer life-saving techniques, including without limitation the Heimlich maneuver and rescue breathing. The training shall be in accordance with standards of the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, or another nationally recognized certifying organization. A school board may use the services of non-governmental entities whose personnel have expertise in life-saving techniques to instruct teachers and other school personnel in these techniques. Each school board is encouraged to have in its employ, or on its volunteer staff, at least one person who is certified, by the American Red Cross or by qualified certifying agency, as qualified administer first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. In addition, each school board is authorized to allocate appropriate portions of its institute or inservice days to conduct training programs for teachers and other school personnel who have expressed an interest in becoming qualified administer emergency first aid or cardiopulmonary resuscitation. School boards are urged to encourage their teachers and other school personnel who coach school athletic and other extracurricular school activities to programs acquire, develop, and maintain the knowledge and skills

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necessary to properly administer first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation in accordance with standards and requirements established by the American Red Cross or another qualified certifying agency. Subject to appropriation, the State Board of Education shall establish and administer a matching grant program to pay for half of the cost that a school district incurs in training those teachers and other school personnel who express an interest in becoming qualified to administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (which training must be in accordance with standards of the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, or another nationally recognized certifying organization) or in learning how to use an automated external defibrillator. A school district that applies for a grant must demonstrate that it has funds to pay half of the cost of the training for which matching grant money is sought. The State Board of Education shall award the grants on a first-come, first-serve basis.

No pupil shall be required to take or participate in any class or course on comprehensive sexual health education, AIDS, or family life instruction if his parent or guardian submits written objection thereto, and refusal to take or participate in the course or program shall not be reason for suspension or expulsion of the pupil.

Curricula developed under programs established in accordance with this Act in the major educational area of alcohol and drug use and abuse shall include classroom

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instruction in grades 5 through 12. The instruction, which 1 2 shall include matters relating to both the physical and legal effects and ramifications of drug and substance abuse, shall be 3 integrated into existing curricula; and the State Board of 4 5 Education shall develop and make available to all elementary 6 and secondary schools in this State instructional materials and 7 guidelines which will assist the schools in incorporating the instruction into their existing curricula. In addition, school 8 9 districts may offer, as part of existing curricula during the 10 school day or as part of an after school program, support 11 services and instruction for pupils or pupils whose parent, 12 parents, or quardians are chemically dependent.

16 Section 95. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by

(Source: P.A. 95-43, eff. 1-1-08; 95-764, eff. 1-1-09; 96-128,

eff. 1-1-10; 96-328, eff. 8-11-09; 96-383, eff. 1-1-10; revised

18 (305 ILCS 5/5-5) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-5)

changing Section 5-5 as follows:

- (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 96-806) 19
- 20 Sec. 5-5. Medical services. The Illinois Department, by 21 rule, shall determine the quantity and quality of and the rate of reimbursement for the medical assistance for which payment 22 23 will be authorized, and the medical services to be provided, 24 which may include all or part of the following: (1) inpatient

hospital services; (2) outpatient hospital services; (3) other 1 2 laboratory and X-ray services; (4) skilled nursing home services; (5) physicians' services whether furnished in the 3 office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing home, 5 or elsewhere; (6) medical care, or any other type of remedial care furnished by licensed practitioners; (7) home health care 6 7 (8) private duty nursing service; (9) clinic services; (10) dental services, including prevention and 8 services; 9 treatment of periodontal disease and dental caries disease for 10 pregnant women, provided by an individual licensed to practice 11 dentistry or dental surgery; for purposes of this item (10), 12 "dental services" means diagnostic, preventive, or corrective procedures provided by or under the supervision of a dentist in 13 the practice of his or her profession; (11) physical therapy 14 15 and related services; (12) prescribed drugs, dentures, and 16 prosthetic devices; and eyeglasses prescribed by a physician 17 skilled in the diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the person may select; (13) other diagnostic, 18 19 screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services; (14) 20 transportation and such other expenses as may be necessary; (15) medical treatment of sexual assault survivors, as defined 21 22 in Section 1a of the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency 23 Treatment Act, for injuries sustained as a result of the sexual 24 assault, including examinations and laboratory tests 25 discover evidence which may be used in criminal proceedings arising from the sexual assault; (16) the diagnosis and 26

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treatment of sickle cell anemia; and (17) any other medical care, and any other type of remedial care recognized under the laws of this State, but not including abortions, or induced miscarriages or premature births, unless, in the opinion of a physician, such procedures are necessary for the preservation of the life of the woman seeking such treatment, or except an induced premature birth intended to produce a live viable child and such procedure is necessary for the health of the mother or her unborn child. The Illinois Department, by rule, shall prohibit any physician from providing medical assistance to anyone eligible therefor under this Code where such physician has been found guilty of performing an abortion procedure in a wilful and wanton manner upon a woman who was not pregnant at the time such abortion procedure was performed. The term "any other type of remedial care" shall include nursing care and nursing home service for persons who rely on treatment by spiritual means alone through prayer for healing.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a comprehensive tobacco use cessation program that includes purchasing prescription drugs or prescription medical devices approved by the Food and Drug administration shall be covered under the medical assistance program under this Article for persons who are otherwise eliqible for assistance under this Article.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the Illinois Department may not require, as a condition of payment

- for any laboratory test authorized under this Article, that a physician's handwritten signature appear on the laboratory test order form. The Illinois Department may, however, impose other appropriate requirements regarding laboratory test order documentation.
 - The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall provide the following services to persons eligible for assistance under this Article who are participating in education, training or employment programs operated by the Department of Human Services as successor to the Department of Public Aid:
- 12 (1) dental services provided by or under the supervision of a dentist; and
 - (2) eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in the diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the person may select.
 - The Illinois Department, by rule, may distinguish and classify the medical services to be provided only in accordance with the classes of persons designated in Section 5-2.
 - The Department of Healthcare and Family Services must provide coverage and reimbursement for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of delivery method, for the diagnosis and treatment of (i) eosinophilic disorders and (ii) short bowel syndrome when the prescribing physician has issued a written order stating that the amino acid-based elemental formula is medically necessary.

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

- 6 (A) A baseline mammogram for women 35 to 39 years of age.
 - (B) An annual mammogram for women 40 years of age or older.
 - (C) A mammogram at the age and intervals considered medically necessary by the woman's health care provider for women under 40 years of age and having a family history of breast cancer, prior personal history of breast cancer, positive genetic testing, or other risk factors.
 - (D) A comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or breasts if a mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast tissue, when medically necessary as determined by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches.

All screenings shall include a physical breast exam, instruction on self-examination and information regarding the frequency of self-examination and its value as a preventative tool. For purposes of this Section, "low-dose mammography" means the x-ray examination of the breast using equipment dedicated specifically for mammography, including the x-ray tube, filter, compression device, and image receptor, with an

- 1 average radiation exposure delivery of less than one rad per
- 2 breast for 2 views of an average size breast. The term also
- 3 includes digital mammography.
- 4 On and after July 1, 2008, screening and diagnostic
- 5 mammography shall be reimbursed at the same rate as the
- 6 Medicare program's rates, including the increased
- 7 reimbursement for digital mammography.
- 8 The Department shall convene an expert panel including
- 9 representatives of hospitals, free-standing mammography
- 10 facilities, and doctors, including radiologists, to establish
- 11 quality standards. Based on these quality standards, the
- 12 Department shall provide for bonus payments to mammography
- facilities meeting the standards for screening and diagnosis.
- 14 The bonus payments shall be at least 15% higher than the
- 15 Medicare rates for mammography.
- 16 Subject to federal approval, the Department shall
- 17 establish a rate methodology for mammography at federally
- 18 qualified health centers and other encounter-rate clinics.
- 19 These clinics or centers may also collaborate with other
- 20 hospital-based mammography facilities.
- 21 The Department shall establish a methodology to remind
- women who are age-appropriate for screening mammography, but
- 23 who have not received a mammogram within the previous 18
- 24 months, of the importance and benefit of screening mammography.
- The Department shall establish a performance goal for
- 26 primary care providers with respect to their female patients

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over age 40 receiving an annual mammogram. This performance 1 2 goal shall be used to provide additional reimbursement in the 3 form of a quality performance bonus to primary care providers who meet that goal. 4

The Department shall devise a means of case-managing or patient navigation for beneficiaries diagnosed with breast cancer. This program shall initially operate as a pilot program in areas of the State with the highest incidence of mortality related to breast cancer. At least one pilot program site shall be in the metropolitan Chicago area and at least one site shall be outside the metropolitan Chicago area. An evaluation of the pilot program shall be carried out measuring health outcomes and cost of care for those served by the pilot program compared to similarly situated patients who are not served by the pilot program.

Any medical or health care provider shall immediately recommend, to any pregnant woman who is being provided prenatal services and is suspected of drug abuse or is addicted as defined in the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency Act, referral to a local substance abuse treatment provider licensed by the Department of Human Services or to a licensed hospital which provides substance abuse treatment services. The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall assure coverage for the cost of treatment of the drug abuse or addiction for pregnant recipients in accordance with the Illinois Medicaid Program in conjunction with the Department of

Human Services.

All medical providers providing medical assistance to pregnant women under this Code shall receive information from the Department on the availability of services under the Drug Free Families with a Future or any comparable program providing case management services for addicted women, including information on appropriate referrals for other social services that may be needed by addicted women in addition to treatment for addiction.

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

Neither the Department of Healthcare and Family Services nor the Department of Human Services shall sanction the recipient solely on the basis of her substance abuse.

The Illinois Department shall establish such regulations governing the dispensing of health services under this Article as it shall deem appropriate. The Department should seek the advice of formal professional advisory committees appointed by the Director of the Illinois Department for the purpose of providing regular advice on policy and administrative matters,

2 medical and health care providers, and consistency in

3 procedures to the Illinois Department.

The Illinois Department may develop and contract with Partnerships of medical providers to arrange medical services for persons eligible under Section 5-2 of this Code. Implementation of this Section may be by demonstration projects in certain geographic areas. The Partnership shall be represented by a sponsor organization. The Department, by rule, shall develop qualifications for sponsors of Partnerships. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require that the

sponsor organization be a medical organization.

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

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

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- (2) The Department may elect to consider and negotiate financial incentives to encourage the development of Partnerships and the efficient delivery of medical care.
- (3) Persons receiving medical services through Partnerships may receive medical and case management services above the level usually offered through the medical assistance program.

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

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

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The Department shall apply for a waiver from the United States Health Care Financing Administration to allow for the

implementation of Partnerships under this Section.

Illinois Department shall require health providers to maintain records that document the medical care and services provided to recipients of Medical Assistance under this Article. The Illinois Department shall require health care providers to make available, when authorized by the patient, in writing, the medical records in a timely fashion to other health care providers who are treating or serving persons eligible for Medical Assistance under this Article. All dispensers of medical services shall be required to maintain and retain business and professional records sufficient to fully and accurately document the nature, scope, details and receipt of the health care provided to persons eligible for medical assistance under this Code, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Illinois Department. The rules and regulations shall require that proof of the receipt of prescription drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and eyeglasses by eligible persons under this Section accompany each claim for reimbursement submitted by the dispenser of such medical services. No such claims for reimbursement shall be approved for payment by the Illinois Department without such proof of receipt, unless the Illinois Department shall have put into effect and shall be operating a system of post-payment audit and review which shall, on a sampling basis, be deemed

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adequate by the Illinois Department to assure that such drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and eyeglasses for which payment is being made are actually being received by eligible recipients. Within 90 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1984, the Illinois Department shall establish a current list of acquisition costs for all prosthetic devices and any other items recognized as medical equipment and supplies reimbursable under this Article and shall update such list on a quarterly basis, except that the acquisition costs of all prescription drugs shall be updated no less frequently than every 30 days as required by Section 5-5.12.

The rules and regulations of the Illinois Department shall require that a written statement including the required opinion of a physician shall accompany any claim for reimbursement for abortions, or induced miscarriages or premature births. This statement shall indicate what procedures were used in providing such medical services.

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

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

Enrollment of a vendor that provides non-emergency medical transportation, defined by the Department by rule, shall be conditional for 180 days. During that time, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services may terminate the vendor's eligibility to participate in the medical assistance program without cause. That termination of eligibility is not subject to the Department's hearing process.

The Illinois Department shall establish policies, procedures, standards and criteria by rule for the acquisition, repair and replacement of orthotic and prosthetic devices and durable medical equipment. Such rules shall provide, but not be limited to, the following services: (1) immediate repair or replacement of such devices by recipients without medical authorization; and (2) rental, lease, purchase or lease-purchase of durable medical equipment in а cost-effective manner, taking into consideration recipient's medical prognosis, the extent of the recipient's needs, and the requirements and costs for maintaining such

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equipment. Such rules shall enable a recipient to temporarily acquire and use alternative or substitute devices or equipment pending repairs or replacements of any device or equipment previously authorized for such recipient by the Department.

The Department shall execute, relative to the nursing home prescreening project, written inter-agency agreements with the Department of Human Services and the Department on Aging, to effect the following: (i) intake procedures and common eligibility criteria for those persons who are receiving non-institutional services; and (ii) the establishment and development of non-institutional services in areas of the State where they are not currently available or are undeveloped.

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

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

- (a) actual statistics and trends in utilization of medical services by public aid recipients;
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- (c) current rate structures and proposed changes in 1 2 those rate structures for the various medical vendors; and
- (d) efforts at utilization review and control by the 3 Illinois Department. 4

The period covered by each report shall be the 3 years ending on the June 30 prior to the report. The report shall include suggested legislation for consideration by the General Assembly. The filing of one copy of the report with the Speaker, one copy with the Minority Leader and one copy with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, one copy with the President, one copy with the Minority Leader and one copy with the Secretary of the Senate, one copy with the Legislative Research Unit, and such additional copies with the State Government Report Distribution Center for the General Assembly as is required under paragraph (t) of Section 7 of the State Library Act shall be deemed sufficient to comply with this Section.

Rulemaking authority to implement Public Act 95-1045 this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, if any, is conditioned on the rules being adopted in accordance with all provisions of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act and all rules and procedures of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules; any purported rule not so adopted, for whatever reason, is unauthorized.

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95-1045, eff. 3-27-09; 96-156, eff. 1-1-10; revised 11-4-09.) 26

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(Text of Section after amendment by P.A. 96-806)

Sec. 5-5. Medical services. The Illinois Department, by rule, shall determine the quantity and quality of and the rate of reimbursement for the medical assistance for which payment will be authorized, and the medical services to be provided, which may include all or part of the following: (1) inpatient hospital services; (2) outpatient hospital services; (3) other laboratory and X-ray services; (4) skilled nursing home services; (5) physicians' services whether furnished in the office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing home, or elsewhere; (6) medical care, or any other type of remedial care furnished by licensed practitioners; (7) home health care services; (8) private duty nursing service; (9) clinic (10) dental services, including prevention and services; treatment of periodontal disease and dental caries disease for pregnant women, provided by an individual licensed to practice dentistry or dental surgery; for purposes of this item (10), "dental services" means diagnostic, preventive, or corrective procedures provided by or under the supervision of a dentist in the practice of his or her profession; (11) physical therapy and related services; (12) prescribed drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices; and eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in the diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the person may select; (13) other diagnostic, screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services; (14)

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transportation and such other expenses as may be necessary; (15) medical treatment of sexual assault survivors, as defined in Section 1a of the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act, for injuries sustained as a result of the sexual including examinations and laboratory tests to discover evidence which may be used in criminal proceedings arising from the sexual assault; (16) the diagnosis and treatment of sickle cell anemia; and (17) any other medical care, and any other type of remedial care recognized under the laws of this State, but not including abortions, or induced miscarriages or premature births, unless, in the opinion of a physician, such procedures are necessary for the preservation of the life of the woman seeking such treatment, or except induced premature birth intended to produce a live viable child and such procedure is necessary for the health of the mother or her unborn child. The Illinois Department, by rule, shall prohibit any physician from providing medical assistance to anyone eligible therefor under this Code where such physician has been found quilty of performing an abortion procedure in a wilful and wanton manner upon a woman who was not pregnant at the time such abortion procedure was performed. The term "any other type of remedial care" shall include nursing care and nursing home service for persons who rely on treatment by spiritual means alone through prayer for healing.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a comprehensive tobacco use cessation program that includes

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purchasing prescription drugs or prescription medical devices 1 2 approved by the Food and Drug administration shall be covered 3 under the medical assistance program under this Article for persons who are otherwise eliqible for assistance under this 4 5 Article.

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

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall provide the following services to persons eligible for assistance under this Article who are participating education, training or employment programs operated by the Department of Human Services as successor to the Department of Public Aid:

- (1)services provided by or under the supervision of a dentist; and
- (2) eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in the diseases of the eye, or by an optometrist, whichever the person may select.

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

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services must provide coverage and reimbursement for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of delivery method, for the diagnosis and treatment of (i) eosinophilic disorders and (ii) short bowel syndrome when the prescribing physician has issued a written order stating that the amino acid-based elemental formula is medically necessary.

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

- 13 (A) A baseline mammogram for women 35 to 39 years of age.
- 15 (B) An annual mammogram for women 40 years of age or older.
 - (C) A mammogram at the age and intervals considered medically necessary by the woman's health care provider for women under 40 years of age and having a family history of breast cancer, prior personal history of breast cancer, positive genetic testing, or other risk factors.
 - (D) A comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or breasts if a mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast tissue, when medically necessary as determined by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches.

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All screenings shall include a physical breast exam, instruction on self-examination and information regarding the frequency of self-examination and its value as a preventative tool. For purposes of this Section, "low-dose mammography" means the x-ray examination of the breast using equipment dedicated specifically for mammography, including the x-ray tube, filter, compression device, and image receptor, with an average radiation exposure delivery of less than one rad per breast for 2 views of an average size breast. The term also includes digital mammography.

On and after July 1, 2008, screening and diagnostic mammography shall be reimbursed at the same rate as the program's rates, including Medicare the increased reimbursement for digital mammography.

The Department shall convene an expert panel including representatives of hospitals, free-standing mammography facilities, and doctors, including radiologists, to establish quality standards. Based on these quality standards, the Department shall provide for bonus payments to mammography facilities meeting the standards for screening and diagnosis. The bonus payments shall be at least 15% higher than the Medicare rates for mammography.

federal approval, the Department Subject to establish a rate methodology for mammography at federally qualified health centers and other encounter-rate clinics. These clinics or centers may also collaborate with other

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hospital-based mammography facilities.

The Department shall establish a methodology to remind women who are age-appropriate for screening mammography, but who have not received a mammogram within the previous 18 months, of the importance and benefit of screening mammography.

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

The Department shall devise a means of case-managing or patient navigation for beneficiaries diagnosed with breast cancer. This program shall initially operate as a pilot program in areas of the State with the highest incidence of mortality related to breast cancer. At least one pilot program site shall be in the metropolitan Chicago area and at least one site shall be outside the metropolitan Chicago area. An evaluation of the pilot program shall be carried out measuring health outcomes and cost of care for those served by the pilot program compared to similarly situated patients who are not served by the pilot program.

Any medical or health care provider shall immediately recommend, to any pregnant woman who is being provided prenatal services and is suspected of drug abuse or is addicted as defined in the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency

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Act, referral to a local substance abuse treatment provider 1

licensed by the Department of Human Services or to a licensed

hospital which provides substance abuse treatment services.

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall assure

coverage for the cost of treatment of the drug abuse or

addiction for pregnant recipients in accordance with the

Illinois Medicaid Program in conjunction with the Department of

Human Services.

All medical providers providing medical assistance to pregnant women under this Code shall receive information from the Department on the availability of services under the Drug Free Families with a Future or any comparable program providing management services for addicted women, including information on appropriate referrals for other social services that may be needed by addicted women in addition to treatment for addiction.

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

Neither the Department of Healthcare and Family Services nor the Department of Human Services shall sanction the

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recipient solely on the basis of her substance abuse. 1

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

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a health care provider under the medical assistance program may elect, in lieu of receiving direct payment for services provided under that program, to participate in the State Employees Deferred Compensation Plan adopted under Article 24 of the Illinois Pension Code. A health care provider who elects to participate in the plan does not have a cause of action against the State for any damages allegedly suffered by the provider as a result of any delay by the State in crediting the amount of any contribution to the provider's plan account.

The Illinois Department may develop and contract with Partnerships of medical providers to arrange medical services persons eligible under Section 5-2 of this Code. Implementation of this Section may be by demonstration projects certain geographic areas. The Partnership represented by a sponsor organization. The Department, by rule,

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- shall develop qualifications for sponsors of Partnerships. 1
- 2 Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require that the
- 3 sponsor organization be a medical organization.

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

- (1) Physicians participating in a Partnership and providing certain services, which shall be determined by the Illinois Department, to persons in areas covered by the Partnership may receive an additional surcharge for such services.
- (2) The Department may elect to consider and negotiate financial incentives to encourage the development of Partnerships and the efficient delivery of medical care.
- (3) Persons receiving medical services Partnerships may receive medical and case management services above the level usually offered through the medical assistance program.
- Medical providers shall be required to meet certain

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qualifications to participate in Partnerships to ensure the 1 2 medical deliverv of high quality services. These qualifications shall be determined by rule of the Illinois 3 Department and may be higher than qualifications 4 5 participation in the medical assistance program. Partnership 6 sponsors may prescribe reasonable additional qualifications for participation by medical providers, only with the prior 7 8 written approval of the Illinois Department.

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

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

The Illinois Department shall require health providers to maintain records that document the medical care and services provided to recipients of Medical Assistance under this Article. The Illinois Department shall require health care providers to make available, when authorized by the patient, in writing, the medical records in a timely fashion to other

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health care providers who are treating or serving persons eligible for Medical Assistance under this Article. All dispensers of medical services shall be required to maintain and retain business and professional records sufficient to fully and accurately document the nature, scope, details and receipt of the health care provided to persons eligible for medical assistance under this Code, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Illinois Department. The rules and regulations shall require that proof of the receipt of prescription drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices eyeglasses by eligible persons under this Section accompany each claim for reimbursement submitted by the dispenser of such medical services. No such claims for reimbursement shall be approved for payment by the Illinois Department without such proof of receipt, unless the Illinois Department shall have put into effect and shall be operating a system of post-payment audit and review which shall, on a sampling basis, be deemed adequate by the Illinois Department to assure that such drugs, dentures, prosthetic devices and eyeqlasses for which payment is being made are actually being received by eligible recipients. Within 90 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1984, the Illinois Department shall establish a current list of acquisition costs for all prosthetic devices and any other items recognized as medical equipment and supplies reimbursable under this Article and shall update such list on a quarterly basis, except that the acquisition costs of

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all prescription drugs shall be updated no less frequently than 1 2 every 30 days as required by Section 5-5.12.

The rules and regulations of the Illinois Department shall require that a written statement including the required opinion of a physician shall accompany any claim for reimbursement for abortions, or induced miscarriages or premature births. This statement shall indicate what procedures were used in providing such medical services.

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

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

Enrollment of a vendor that provides non-emergency medical

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transportation, defined by the Department by rule, shall be conditional for 180 days. During that time, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services may terminate the vendor's eligibility to participate in the medical assistance program without cause. That termination of eligibility is not subject to the Department's hearing process.

The Illinois Department shall establish policies, procedures, standards and criteria by rule for the acquisition, repair and replacement of orthotic and prosthetic devices and durable medical equipment. Such rules shall provide, but not be limited to, the following services: (1) immediate repair or replacement of such devices by recipients without medical authorization; and (2) rental, lease, purchase or lease-purchase of durable medical equipment а cost-effective manner, taking into consideration the recipient's medical prognosis, the extent of the recipient's needs, and the requirements and costs for maintaining such equipment. Such rules shall enable a recipient to temporarily acquire and use alternative or substitute devices or equipment pending repairs or replacements of any device or equipment previously authorized for such recipient by the Department.

The Department shall execute, relative to the nursing home prescreening project, written inter-agency agreements with the Department of Human Services and the Department on Aging, to effect the following: (i) intake procedures and common eligibility criteria for those persons who are receiving

non-institutional services; and (ii) the establishment and development of non-institutional services in areas of the State where they are not currently available or are undeveloped.

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

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- 7-1-10; revised 11-4-09.) 18
- 19 Section 96. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes
- 20 changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text
- 21 that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section
- 22 represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does
- not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes 23
- 24 made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other
- 25 Public Act.

Section 97. Severability. If any portion of this Act or any 1 amendments thereto, or its applicability to any person or 2 circumstance is held invalid by a court, the remainder of this 3 Act or its applicability to other persons or circumstances 4 5 shall not be affected.