

House Study Bill 623

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SMITH)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to communications and patient transfers among
2 providers and payers for the IowaCare program.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5090HC 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 249J.5, Code 2007, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 8A. The department shall establish
1 4 procedures for transmitting approval of an individual as
1 5 eligible for membership in the expansion population to a
1 6 provider included in the expansion population provider network
1 7 by a variety of means including but not limited to electronic
1 8 media and facsimile transmission. If a provider included in
1 9 the expansion population provider network receives an approved
1 10 means of transmittal, the provider shall accept the individual
1 11 as a member of the expansion population. If the department
1 12 transmits an approval by approved means, the department shall
1 13 pay any claims resulting from the transmittal.
1 14 Sec. 2. Section 249J.7, Code 2007, is amended by adding
1 15 the following new subsection:
1 16 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. Providers included in the expansion
1 17 population provider network shall adopt procedures for the
1 18 transfer of expansion population members between the providers
1 19 and shall not delay any transfer if the patient is an approved
1 20 expansion population member.

EXPLANATION

1 22 This bill relates to procedures under the IowaCare program.
1 23 The bill directs the department of human services to establish
1 24 procedures for transmitting approval of an individual as
1 25 eligible for membership in the expansion population to a
1 26 provider included in the expansion population provider network
1 27 by a variety of means including but not limited to electronic
1 28 media and facsimile transmission. If the provider receives an
1 29 approved means of transmittal, the provider shall accept the
1 30 individual as a member of the expansion population. If the
1 31 department transmits an approval by approved means, the
1 32 department shall pay any claims resulting from the
1 33 transmittal.

1 34 The bill also directs providers included in the expansion
1 35 population provider network to adopt procedures for the
2 1 transfer of expansion population members between the providers
2 2 and prohibits delay of any transfer if the patient is an
2 3 approved expansion population member.
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