

Senate File 363 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the Iowa health and wellness plan and member
- 2 community engagement requirements and including effective date
- 3 provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 249N.4, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
2 2025, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. Fulfills all other conditions of participation in the
4 Iowa health and wellness plan, including member financial
5 participation pursuant to section 249N.7, and community
6 engagement requirements pursuant to section 249N.9.

7 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **249N.9 Member community engagement**
8 **requirement.**

9 1. As a condition of membership in the Iowa health and
10 wellness plan, unless an eligible individual is exempt pursuant
11 to subsection 2, an eligible individual shall participate in one
12 of the following community engagement activities:

13 a. Work twenty hours or more per week, averaged on a monthly
14 basis.

15 b. Participate in and comply with the requirements of a work
16 program for twenty hours or more per week, as determined by the
17 department.

18 c. Volunteer twenty hours or more per week, as determined by
19 the department.

20 d. Meet a combination of work and work program participation
21 requirements for a total of twenty hours or more per week, as
22 determined by the department.

23 e. Participate in and comply with the PROMISE JOBS program
24 pursuant to chapter 239B.

25 2. The following eligible individuals shall be exempt from
26 the requirements specified in subsection 1:

27 a. An individual less than nineteen years of age.

28 b. An individual more than sixty-four years of age.

29 c. An individual medically certified as physically or
30 mentally unfit for employment.

31 d. A woman who is pregnant.

32 e. A parent or caretaker responsible for the care of a
33 dependent child under one year of age.

34 f. A parent or caretaker personally providing the care for a
35 dependent child with a serious medical condition or disability,

1 as determined by the department.

2 g. An individual receiving unemployment compensation and
3 complying with work requirements of the federal or state
4 unemployment compensation system as determined by the department
5 of workforce development and communicated to the department.

6 h. An individual participating in a substance use disorder
7 treatment and rehabilitation program.

8 Sec. 3. MEDICAID DEMONSTRATION WAIVER REQUEST — COMMUNITY
9 ENGAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR IOWA HEALTH AND WELLNESS PLAN. The
10 department, if required, shall submit a request within thirty
11 days of enactment of this Act to the centers for Medicare and
12 Medicaid services of the United States department of health
13 and human services for a section 1115 demonstration waiver to
14 require that, as a condition of membership in the Iowa health
15 and wellness plan, an eligible individual shall participate in a
16 community engagement activity as specified in this Act.

17 Sec. 4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR IOWA HEALTH AND
18 WELLNESS PLAN — IMPLEMENTATION. The department of health and
19 human services shall implement the provisions of this Act no
20 later than July 1, 2025.

21 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
22 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

23 EXPLANATION

24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

26 This bill relates to community engagement requirements for
27 Iowa health and wellness plan membership.

28 The bill requires as a condition of membership that an
29 eligible individual participate in a community engagement
30 activity that includes working or volunteering as detailed in
31 the bill. Certain individuals are exempt from the community
32 engagement requirement as described in the bill.

33 If required, the department of health and human services shall
34 submit a request for a section 1115 demonstration waiver to
35 require an eligible individual to participate in a community

1 engagement activity as a condition of membership in the Iowa
2 health and wellness plan.

3 The bill requires the department of health and human services
4 to implement the provisions of the bill no later than July 1,
5 2025.

6 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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