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Raised Bill No. 193

LCO No. 1606



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING METHADONE MAINTENANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 17b-280c of the 2020 supplement
2 to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section, on or [after] before
5 July 1, 2020, [any reimbursement to a chemical maintenance provider
6 for methadone maintenance treatment shall be contingent upon meeting
7 certain performance measures as determined by the commissioner] the
8 Department of Social Services shall determine performance measures
9 that are intended to improve member outcomes and develop a
10 methodology to collect and report on those measures on a provider-
11 specific basis. Such [performance measures] methodology shall be
12 developed in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and
13 Addiction Services and chemical maintenance providers. [Initial
14 performance measures shall be developed by September 30, 2019,
15 including the means by which such measures shall be evaluated. The
16 initial evaluation period shall be based on the claims data for the quarter

17 ending March 31, 2020. The performance measures and thresholds may
 18 be adjusted after the initial evaluation period. Failure to meet
 19 department-identified standards on performance measures shall result
 20 in a rate reduction of (1) up to five per cent for the quarters ending
 21 September 30, 2020, and December 31, 2020, and (2) up to ten per cent
 22 beginning January 1, 2021. No provider shall receive a rate decrease
 23 under this subsection that is more than a ten per cent decrease annually.]
 24 The evaluation period of the performance measures and methodology
 25 shall be from July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021. During the evaluation
 26 period, the Department of Social Services shall work with the
 27 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to develop a
 28 value-based reimbursement model that includes both financial
 29 incentives for providers who meet or exceed the established
 30 performance measures and financial risk for those providers who do not
 31 meet the established performance measures. A value-based
 32 performance reimbursement shall commence on January 1, 2022.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	17b-280c(c)

Statement of Purpose:

To set a new time table for development of performance measures for methadone maintenance providers.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]