

PA 09-7, Sec. 107. (Effective from passage)

Medical Inefficiency Committee

(a)(1) Not later than July 1, 2010, the Department of Social Services shall amend by regulation the definition of "medically necessary" services utilized in the administration of Medicaid to reflect savings in the current biennial budget by reducing inefficiencies in the administration of the program while not reducing the quality of care provided to Medicaid beneficiaries.

(2) The Commissioner of Social Services shall implement policies and procedures utilizing said amended definition to achieve the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection while in the process of adopting the definition in regulation form, provided notice of intention to adopt the regulation is printed in the Connecticut Law Journal within forty-five days of implementation, and any such policies or procedures shall be valid until the time the final regulation is effective.

(b) There is established a Medical Inefficiency Committee to advise the Department of Social Services on the amended definition and the implementation of the amended definition required under subsection (a) of this section, and to provide feedback to the department and the General Assembly on the impact of the amended definition.

(c) The committee shall consist of the following members: Three appointed by the Governor, two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and one each appointed by the majority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

(d) All appointments to the committee shall be made no later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority, except that vacancies left unfilled for more than sixty days may be filled by joint appointment of the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate.

(e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the committee from among the members of the committee. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the committee, which shall be held no later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

(f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services shall serve as administrative staff of the committee.

(g) Not later than January 1, 2010, January 1, 2011, and January 1, 2012, the committee shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, human services and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The committee shall terminate on the date that it submits the third such report or January 1, 2012, whichever is later.

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