
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAID.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 PART I

2 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the term "medical
3 institution" can be vague. The purpose of this part is to
4 define the term "medical institution" for the purpose of dealing
5 with medical liens.

6 SECTION 2. Section 346-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
8 and to read as follows:

9 "Medical institution" means, for the purposes of dealing
10 with medicaid liens in this chapter, an institution created for
11 the practice of medicine that also provides long-term care
12 services at a nursing facility level of care."

13 PART II

14 SECTION 3. The department of human services shall
15 collaborate with the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, the
16 Hawaii Long Term Care Association, nursing facility providers,
17 and home- and community-based service providers, including adult
18 residential care homes and foster family homes, to develop a



1 revised methodology for determining the level of acuity of
2 nursing facility residents who are medicaid recipients,
3 including those with complex medical conditions, to set
4 reimbursements at levels that are fair and equitable. The
5 department of human services and the collaborating organizations
6 and providers shall submit to the legislature a joint report
7 containing recommendations and an implementation plan no later
8 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session
9 of 2013.

10 SECTION 4. The department of human services shall work
11 with the department of health to develop an equitable referral
12 system relating to the discharge of patients from hospitals,
13 nursing homes, and long-term care facilities based on the
14 patient's acuity level for proper placement in either an adult
15 residential care home, community care foster family home, or an
16 expanded adult residential care home.

17 PART III

18 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Medicaid; Reimbursements

Description:

Defines "medical institution". Provides for the development of a fair and equitable reimbursement system for all clients under the Medicaid program for home- and community-based caregiver services and a fair and equitable referral system for clients transferring from hospitals to community based care homes. Effective July 1, 2050. (SB2712 HD2)

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