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DIGEST

Proposed law provides that for the purpose of the Hospital Prospective Reimbursement Methodology and temporary licensure of International Medical Graduates, the Louisiana Medical Assistance Program's recognition of a major teaching hospital is limited to facilities having a documented affiliation agreement with a Louisiana medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education.

Proposed law further provides that a major teaching hospital shall meet one of the following criteria:

1. Be a major participant in at least four approved medical residency programs of which at least two of the programs shall be in medicine, surgery, obstetrics/gynecology, pediatrics, family practice, emergency medicine or psychiatry.
2. Have more than twenty active residents with an approved medical residency program in family practice located more than one hundred fifty miles from the medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education.

Proposed law defines "hospital prospective payment methodology" as a method of hospital reimbursement in which Medicaid payment is made based on a predetermined, fixed amount.

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