

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 312

BY REPRESENTATIVES JACKSON AND BERAULT

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to address oversight gaps in the managed care incentive payment program and submit progress reports to the House Committee on Health and Welfare.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) administers the Medicaid Managed Care Incentive Payment (MCIP) program to support innovative efforts by managed care organizations (MCOs) that address health equity, social drivers of health, and system-wide improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana legislative auditor issued a performance audit in March 2024 that offered constructive recommendations to strengthen the program's impact through clearer outcome definitions, improved data reporting, and performance evaluation mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, the audit identified significant state investment in services such as food box deliveries, transportation assistance, educational outreach, and care navigation programs without meaningful mechanisms for determining return on investment or population impact; and

WHEREAS, LDH has acknowledged the value of these recommendations and continues to work collaboratively with stakeholders to enhance the design and oversight of incentive-based programs; and

WHEREAS, between 2018 and 2023, the state invested almost two and a half billion dollars in various Medicaid incentive payment initiatives, underscoring the importance of transparency, alignment with health outcomes, and accountability to the public; and

WHEREAS, these findings highlight an urgent need for stronger program design, data transparency, and performance accountability to ensure that MCIP funds are used effectively to improve the health and well-being of Louisiana's Medicaid population; and

WHEREAS, the legislature recognizes the importance of supporting LDH's ongoing efforts to refine and improve these programs to ensure they deliver measurable benefits to Louisiana's most vulnerable populations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to continue enhancing oversight and performance tracking of the Managed Care Incentive Payment program and similar initiatives, develop or refine program metrics to better assess population health outcomes and cost-effectiveness, and collaborate with MCOs and community partners to implement evidence-based practices that align with Medicaid goals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Department of Health shall submit quarterly progress reports on MCIP reform efforts to the House Committee on Health and Welfare, beginning no later than October 1, 2025, and continuing through July 1, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES