RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 440 (SB 182)

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<u>New law</u> authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to suspend prior authorization requirements for Medicaid during a declared emergency to ensure uninterrupted access to medically necessary health care.

<u>New law</u> requires Medicaid to reimburse providers for medically necessary drugs, services, equipment, supplies, and therapies provided to Medicaid recipients during the emergency without requiring prior authorization.

<u>New law</u> requires Medicaid to reimburse any out-of-state provider that provided essential care to a La. Medicaid recipient who evacuated out-of-state without requiring prior authorization.

<u>New law</u> requires the Medicaid managed care organizations to notify Medicaid recipients of prior authorization suspensions, uninterrupted care access, and rights during emergencies.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 46:460.76.3)