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Provides relative to Medicaid services for maternal and infant health

Proposed law provides Medicaid coverage for inpatient and outpatient coverage for maternal or infant healthcare services when such services are used for medically accepted indication and administered any healthcare facility by any healthcare professional appropriately licensed to provide such services. Services include, but are not limited to, 1) coverage for dietician and nutrition consultation support at the referral of the medical provider without the requirements of a diagnosis of gestational diabetes, 2) coverage for hospital-grade breast pumps for neonatal intensive care unit mothers, 3). coverage for double electric breast pumps beginning at 20 weeks of gestation, and 4) funding remote patient monitoring programs for pregnant and postpartum women, which includes the CPT codes 99453, 99454, and 99199.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL	
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE		
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Federal Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE		
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Annual Total							
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL	
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Ded./Other	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE		
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Annual Total							

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Providing Medicaid coverage for inpatient and outpatient maternal and infant healthcare services is anticipated to result in a significant increase in Medicaid expenditures in FY 25 and future fiscal years. Additional services include nutrition and dietary consulting services, and remote patient monitoring services.

As an illustrative example, providing such coverage could increase costs to the Medicaid program by approximately \$8 M annually. This estimate is based on the number of deliveries in FY 23 for Medicaid women both managed care and fee for service (41,517). Additional assumptions are reflected below.

Dietician and Nutrition Services (\$1,800,865 expenditures)

1. Cost based on 3 CPT codes, including 97802, 97803, and 97804 (medical nutrition therapy codes)

2. CPT code 97802 take-up rate of 70% of pregnancies, 2 units of utilization per pregnancy, cost from \$20.08 - \$24.09

3. CPT code 97803 take-up rate of 40% of pregnancies, 2 units of utilization per pregnancy, cost from \$17.55 - \$21.06

4. CPT code 97804 take-up rate of 3% of pregnancies, 3 units of utilization per pregnancy, cost from \$8.97 - \$10.77

Remote Patient Monitoring (\$5,965,705 expenditures)

1. CPT based on 2 CPT codes, including 99453 and 99454 (Medical device set up and education, provider review)

2. CPT code 99453 take-up rate 30% of pregnancies, one month per beneficiary, cost from \$13.03 - \$15.96

3. CPT code 99454 take-up rate 30% of pregnancies, monthly billing for 15 months, cost from \$30.75 - \$37.00

Hospital Grade Breast Pumps

The bill also provides for the usage of hospital grade breast pumps. Information provided by LDH indicates reimbursement for industrial grade breast pumps is currently covered under the hospital per diem; therefore, this provision of the bill has no impact.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Any additional payments to MCOs will result in an increase in premium tax revenues collected by LDH. LDH collects 5.5% of total MCO premiums, which is deposited into the Medical Assistance Trust Fund (MATF).

