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DIGEST

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Proposed law authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to suspend prior authorization requirements for Medicaid during a declared emergency to ensure uninterrupted access to medically necessary oncology health care.

Proposed law requires Medicaid to reimburse providers for medically necessary oncologic drugs, services, equipment, supplies, and therapies provided to Medicaid recipients during the emergency without requiring prior authorization.

Proposed law requires Medicaid to reimburse any out-of-state provider that provided essential oncologic care, including chemotherapy, radiation therapy, and diagnostic imaging, to a La. Medicaid recipient who evacuated out-of-state without requiring prior authorization.

Proposed law requires the Medicaid managed care organizations to notify oncologic patients of prior authorization suspensions, uninterrupted care access, and rights during emergencies.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 46:460.76.3)