
DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes a copayment for nonemergency services provided by hospital emergency departments and for nonpreferred drugs.

Proposed law authorizes the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to establish a copayment requirement in the La. medical assistance program, including in all capitated Medicaid managed care programs, for nonemergency services provided by a hospital emergency department, subject to federal requirements.

Proposed law requires DHH to differentiate between preferred and nonpreferred drugs and authorizes the department to establish a copayment requirement for all nonpreferred drugs, subject to federal requirements.

Proposed law requires the copayments to be imposed on all individuals upon whom cost sharing may be imposed under federal regulations and sets the amount of the copayment as the maximum amount permitted by federal regulations.

Proposed law requires to take all steps necessary to implement proposed law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 46:460.101-460.103)