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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2304****AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance  
on February 16, 2017)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Orrock)

A *BILL to direct the Department of Medical Assistance Services to take certain actions related to long-term care.*

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

1. § 1. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall implement separate rate cells for recipients of long-term care services in community and institutional settings and a transition rate cell. Further, the Department shall work to implement a blended rate in Fiscal Year 2020 for managed long-term care services and supports to incentivize managed care organizations to ensure clinically appropriate rebalancing of enrollment away from institutional care and toward home-based and community-based care. The blended rate and targets described herein shall include institutional long-term care recipients with a RUGs weight of 0.7 or below. The Department shall implement capitation rates for institutional long-term care recipients with a RUGs weight above 0.7 based on that population's characteristics only and not subject to transition targets.*

§ 2. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall require managed care organizations that provide managed long-term care services in the Commonwealth to develop the portion of the plan of care addressing the type and amount of long-term services and supports for each recipient. For recipients of long-term care, the managed care organization shall participate in and collaborate with the existing interdisciplinary care team planning process already established pursuant to federal law and regulations in the development of the care plan.*

§ 3. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall work with its actuary to (i) ensure that trends are consistent with Actuarial Standards of Practice, including consideration of negative historical trends in medical spending by managed care organizations to be carried forward when setting capitation rates paid to managed care organizations through the Medallion program where appropriate, and (ii) annually rebase administrative expenses per member per month for projected enrollment changes and future program changes impacting administrative costs beginning in Fiscal Year 2019.*

§ 4. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall include additional financial and utilization reporting requirements in Medallion contracts with managed care organizations and the Managed Care Technical Manual, including requirements for submission of (i) income statements that show medical services expenditures by service category, (ii) statements of revenues and expenses, (iii) information about related party transactions, and (iv) information about service utilization metrics, and shall monitor data submitted by managed care organizations to identify undesirable trends in spending and service utilization and work with managed care organizations to address such trends.*

§ 5. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall (i) establish a compliance enforcement review process and apply consistent and uniform compliance standards in accordance with the Managed Care Technical Manual, managed care contracts, and federal standards; (ii) return all compliance feedback to managed care organizations within the same reporting or auditing period in which such reports were generated; (iii) review the reasons for which the Commonwealth will mitigate or waive sanctions imposed on managed care organizations that fail to fulfill contract requirements and review and consider infractions due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the managed care organization's control, infractions occurring during the first year of the managed care organization's operation, infractions occurring for the first time, and infractions that are self-reported by the managed care organization; (iv) when applicable, include guidance in the Managed Care Technical Manual for managed care organizations that state the reasons for which sanctions may be mitigated or waived; (v) include information about the number of sanctions mitigated or waived and the reasons for such mitigation or waiver in its monthly compliance reports; and (vi) annually review the results of its contract compliance enforcement action process and include information about the process and results, including the parentage of points and fines mitigated or waived and the reasons for mitigating them for each managed care organization, in its annual report.*

§ 6. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall (i) incrementally increase the amount of performance incentive awards granted to managed care organizations that meet certain performance goals to create a stronger incentive for managed care organizations to improve performance and (ii) retain at least one metric related to chronic conditions in the performance incentive award program.*

§ 7. *The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall work collaboratively with managed care organizations and relevant stakeholders, where appropriate, to annually publish a uniform and agreed-upon managed care organization report card for the Department for the Medallion program and*

60 shall make such information available to new enrollees as part of the enrollment process.

61 § 8. Upon the inclusion of behavioral health services in the Medallion program and implementation  
62 of managed long-term care services and supports, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall  
63 require all managed care organizations participating in the Medallion program to provide to the  
64 Department information about (i) the managed care organization's policies and processes for identifying  
65 behavioral health providers who provide services deemed to be inappropriate to meet the behavioral  
66 health needs of the individual receiving services and (ii) the number of such providers who are  
67 disenrolled from the managed care provider's provider network.

68 § 9. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall develop a process that allows managed  
69 care organizations providing services through the Medallion program to determine utilization control  
70 measures for services provided but includes monitoring of the impact of utilization controls on  
71 utilization rates and spending to assess the effectiveness of each managed care organization's utilization  
72 control measures.

73 § 10. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall include language in contracts for  
74 managed care long-term care services and supports requiring managed care organizations providing  
75 services through the Medallion program to develop a plan that includes (i) a standardized process to  
76 determine the capacity of individuals receiving services to self-direct services received, (ii) criteria for  
77 determining when a person receiving services is no longer able to self-direct services received, and (iii)  
78 the roles and responsibilities of service facilitators, including requirements to regularly verify that  
79 appropriate services are provided.

80 § 11. Following inclusion of managed long-term care services and supports in the Medallion  
81 program, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall (i) review information about utilization  
82 and spending on long-term care services and supports provided by managed care organizations and  
83 work with managed care organizations to make necessary changes to managed care organizations' prior  
84 authorization and quality management review processes when undesirable trends are identified; (ii)  
85 include revenue and expense reports, information about related party transactions, and information  
86 about service utilization metrics in contracts for managed long-term care services and supports and the  
87 Managed Care Technical Manual and utilize data and information received from managed long-term  
88 care services and supports providers to monitor spending and utilization trends for managed long-term  
89 care services and supports and address problems related to spending and utilization of services through  
90 managed long-term care services and supports program contracts or the rate-setting process; (iii)  
91 include additional requirements for information about metrics related to behavioral health services in  
92 the managed long-term care services and supports contract and the Managed Care Technical Manual to  
93 facilitate identification of undesirable trends in service utilization and enable the Department to address  
94 problems identified with managed care organizations participating in the program; and (iv) include  
95 additional metrics related to the long-term care services and supports in the managed long-term care  
96 services and supports contract and the Managed Care Technical Manual to facilitate identification of  
97 differences between models of care, assessment of progress in and challenges related to keeping service  
98 recipients in community-based rather than institutional care, and cooperation with managed care  
99 organizations in resolving problems identified.