

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2516**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry**

February 17, 2022

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An act to amend Section 1367.66 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 10123.18 of the Insurance Code, and to amend Section 14132 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to health care coverage.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2516, as introduced, Aguiar-Curry. Health care coverage: human papillomavirus.

Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care, and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Existing law requires a health care service plan contract or health insurance policy issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2002, to provide coverage for an annual cervical cancer screening test, including a human papillomavirus (HPV) screening test that is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, administered by the State Department of Health Care Services and under which health care services are provided to low-income individuals pursuant to a schedule of benefits. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid program provisions. Existing law also establishes the Family Planning, Access, Care, and Treatment (Family PACT) Program, administered by the Office of Family Planning within the department,

under which comprehensive clinical family planning services are provided to a person who has a family income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, and who is eligible to receive these services.

This bill would require a health care service plan contract or health insurance policy issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2023, to provide coverage without cost sharing for the HPV vaccine for persons for whom the vaccine is FDA approved. Because a willful violation of the bill’s requirements relative to health care service plans would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would also expand comprehensive clinical family planning services under the Family PACT Program to include the HPV vaccine for persons for whom it is FDA approved.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 1367.66 of the Health and Safety Code  
2 is amended to read:  
3 ~~1367.66. Every individual or group~~  
4 *1367.66. (a) A health care service plan contract, except for a*  
5 *specialized health care service plan, that is issued, amended, or*  
6 *renewed on or after January 1, 2002, and that includes coverage*  
7 *for treatment or surgery of cervical cancer shall also be deemed*  
8 *to shall provide coverage for an annual cervical cancer screening*  
9 *test upon the referral of the patient’s physician and surgeon, a*  
10 *nurse practitioner, or a certified nurse midwife, providing care to*  
11 *the patient and operating within the scope of practice otherwise*  
12 *permitted for the licensee.*  
13 ~~The~~  
14 *(1) The coverage for an annual cervical cancer screening test*  
15 *provided pursuant to this section shall include the conventional*  
16 *Pap test, a human papillomavirus screening test that is approved*  
17 *by the federal Food and Drug Administration, Administration*  
18 *(FDA), and the option of any cervical cancer screening test*

1 approved by the ~~federal Food and Drug Administration, FDA,~~  
2 upon the referral of the patient’s health care provider.

3 ~~Nothing in this section shall be construed to~~

4 (2) *This subdivision does not* establish a new mandated benefit  
5 or to prevent application of deductible or copayment provisions  
6 in an existing plan contract. The Legislature intends in this section  
7 to provide that cervical cancer screening services are deemed to  
8 be covered if the plan contract includes coverage for cervical cancer  
9 treatment or surgery.

10 (b) *A health care service plan contract, except for a specialized*  
11 *health care service plan, issued, amended, or renewed on or after*  
12 *January 1, 2023, shall provide coverage for the human*  
13 *papillomavirus vaccine for enrollees for whom the vaccine is*  
14 *approved by the FDA. A health care service plan contract shall*  
15 *not impose a deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or any other*  
16 *cost-sharing requirement on the coverage provided pursuant to*  
17 *this subdivision.*

18 SEC. 2. Section 10123.18 of the Insurance Code is amended  
19 to read:

20 10123.18. (a) ~~Every individual or group policy of health~~  
21 ~~insurance that provides coverage for hospital, medical, or surgical~~  
22 ~~benefits, that is~~ *A health insurance policy* issued, amended, or  
23 ~~renewed, renewed~~ on or after January 1, 2002, ~~and that includes~~  
24 ~~coverage for treatment or surgery of cervical cancer shall also be~~  
25 ~~deemed to~~ *shall* provide coverage, upon the referral of a patient’s  
26 physician and surgeon, a nurse practitioner, or a certified nurse  
27 midwife, providing care to the patient and operating within the  
28 scope of practice otherwise permitted for the licensee, for an annual  
29 cervical cancer screening test.

30 ~~The~~

31 (1) *The coverage for an annual cervical cancer screening test*  
32 *provided pursuant to this section shall include the conventional*  
33 *Pap test, a human papillomavirus screening test that is approved*  
34 *by the federal Food and Drug Administration, Administration*  
35 *(FDA) and the option of any cervical cancer screening test*  
36 *approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration, FDA,*  
37 *upon the referral of the patient’s health care provider.*

38 ~~Nothing in this section shall be construed to~~

39 (2) *This subdivision does not* require an individual or group  
40 policy to cover treatment or surgery for cervical cancer or to

1 prevent application of deductible or copayment provisions  
2 contained in the policy or certificate, ~~nor shall this section be~~  
3 ~~construed to~~ and does not require that coverage under an individual  
4 or group policy be extended to any other procedures.

5 (b) A health insurance policy issued, amended, or renewed on  
6 or after January 1, 2023, shall provide coverage for the human  
7 papillomavirus vaccine for insureds for whom the vaccine is  
8 approved by the FDA. A health insurance policy shall not impose  
9 a deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or any other cost-sharing  
10 requirement on the coverage provided pursuant to this subdivision.

11 (b)  
12 (c) This section shall not apply to vision only, dental only,  
13 accident only, specified disease, hospital indemnity, Medicare  
14 supplement, CHAMPUS supplement, long-term care, or disability  
15 income insurance. For accident only, hospital indemnity, or  
16 specified disease insurance, coverage for benefits under this section  
17 shall apply only to the extent that the benefits are covered under  
18 the general terms and conditions that apply to all other benefits  
19 under the policy or certificate. ~~Nothing in this section shall be~~  
20 ~~construed as imposing~~ This section does not impose a new benefit  
21 mandate on accident only, hospital indemnity, or specified disease  
22 insurance.

23 SEC. 3. Section 14132 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is  
24 amended to read:

25 14132. The following is the schedule of benefits under this  
26 chapter:

27 (a) Outpatient services are covered as follows:  
28 Physician, hospital or clinic outpatient, surgical center,  
29 respiratory care, optometric, chiropractic, psychology, podiatric,  
30 occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy, audiology,  
31 acupuncture to the extent federal matching funds are provided for  
32 acupuncture, and services of persons rendering treatment by prayer  
33 or healing by spiritual means in the practice of any church or  
34 religious denomination insofar as these can be encompassed by  
35 federal participation under an approved plan, subject to utilization  
36 controls.

37 (b) (1) Inpatient hospital services, including, but not limited  
38 to, physician and podiatric services, physical therapy, and  
39 occupational therapy, are covered subject to utilization controls.

1 (2) For a Medi-Cal fee-for-service beneficiary, emergency  
2 services and care that are necessary for the treatment of an  
3 emergency medical condition and medical care directly related to  
4 the emergency medical condition. This paragraph does not change  
5 the obligation of Medi-Cal managed care plans to provide  
6 emergency services and care. For the purposes of this paragraph,  
7 “emergency services and care” and “emergency medical condition”  
8 have the same meanings as those terms are defined in Section  
9 1317.1 of the Health and Safety Code.

10 (c) Nursing facility services, subacute care services, and services  
11 provided by any category of intermediate care facility for the  
12 developmentally disabled, including podiatry, physician, nurse  
13 practitioner services, and prescribed drugs, as described in  
14 subdivision (d), are covered subject to utilization controls.  
15 Respiratory care, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech  
16 therapy, and audiology services for patients in nursing facilities  
17 and any category of intermediate care facility for persons with  
18 developmental disabilities are covered subject to utilization  
19 controls.

20 (d) (1) Purchase of prescribed drugs is covered subject to the  
21 Medi-Cal List of Contract Drugs and utilization controls.

22 (2) Purchase of drugs used to treat erectile dysfunction or any  
23 off-label uses of those drugs are covered only to the extent that  
24 federal financial participation is available.

25 (3) (A) To the extent required by federal law, the purchase of  
26 outpatient prescribed drugs, for which the prescription is executed  
27 by a prescriber in written, nonelectronic form on or after April 1,  
28 2008, is covered only when executed on a tamper resistant  
29 prescription form. The implementation of this paragraph shall  
30 conform to the guidance issued by the federal Centers for Medicare  
31 and Medicaid Services, but shall not conflict with state statutes on  
32 the characteristics of tamper resistant prescriptions for controlled  
33 substances, including Section 11162.1 of the Health and Safety  
34 Code. The department shall provide providers and beneficiaries  
35 with as much flexibility in implementing these rules as allowed  
36 by the federal government. The department shall notify and consult  
37 with appropriate stakeholders in implementing, interpreting, or  
38 making specific this paragraph.

39 (B) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
40 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,

1 the department may take the actions specified in subparagraph (A)  
2 by means of a provider bulletin or notice, policy letter, or other  
3 similar instructions without taking regulatory action.

4 (4) (A) (i) For the purposes of this paragraph, nonlegend has  
5 the same meaning as defined in subdivision (a) of Section  
6 14105.45.

7 (ii) Nonlegend acetaminophen-containing products, including  
8 children's acetaminophen-containing products, selected by the  
9 department are covered benefits.

10 (iii) Nonlegend cough and cold products selected by the  
11 department are covered benefits.

12 (B) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
13 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,  
14 the department may take the actions specified in subparagraph (A)  
15 by means of a provider bulletin or notice, policy letter, or other  
16 similar instruction without taking regulatory action.

17 (e) Outpatient dialysis services and home hemodialysis services,  
18 including physician services, medical supplies, drugs, and  
19 equipment required for dialysis, are covered, subject to utilization  
20 controls.

21 (f) Anesthesiologist services when provided as part of an  
22 outpatient medical procedure, nurse anesthetist services when  
23 rendered in an inpatient or outpatient setting under conditions set  
24 forth by the director, outpatient laboratory services, and x-ray  
25 services are covered, subject to utilization controls. This  
26 subdivision does not require prior authorization for anesthesiologist  
27 services provided as part of an outpatient medical procedure or  
28 for portable x-ray services in a nursing facility or any category of  
29 intermediate care facility for the developmentally disabled.

30 (g) Blood and blood derivatives are covered.

31 (h) (1) Emergency and essential diagnostic and restorative  
32 dental services, except for orthodontic, fixed bridgework, and  
33 partial dentures that are not necessary for balance of a complete  
34 artificial denture, are covered, subject to utilization controls. The  
35 utilization controls shall allow emergency and essential diagnostic  
36 and restorative dental services and prostheses that are necessary  
37 to prevent a significant disability or to replace previously furnished  
38 prostheses that are lost or destroyed due to circumstances beyond  
39 the beneficiary's control. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the  
40 director may by regulation provide for certain fixed artificial

1 dentures necessary for obtaining employment or for medical  
2 conditions that preclude the use of removable dental prostheses,  
3 and for orthodontic services in cleft palate deformities administered  
4 by the department's California Children's Services program.

5 (2) For persons 21 years of age or older, the services specified  
6 in paragraph (1) shall be provided subject to the following  
7 conditions:

8 (A) Periodontal treatment is not a benefit.

9 (B) Endodontic therapy is not a benefit except for vital  
10 pulpotomy.

11 (C) Laboratory processed crowns are not a benefit.

12 (D) Removable prosthetics shall be a benefit only for patients  
13 as a requirement for employment.

14 (E) The director may, by regulation, provide for the provision  
15 of fixed artificial dentures that are necessary for medical conditions  
16 that preclude the use of removable dental prostheses.

17 (F) Notwithstanding the conditions specified in subparagraphs  
18 (A) to (E), inclusive, the department may approve services for  
19 persons with special medical disorders subject to utilization review.

20 (3) Paragraph (2) shall become inoperative on July 1, 1995.

21 (i) Medical transportation is covered, subject to utilization  
22 controls.

23 (j) Home health care services are covered, subject to utilization  
24 controls.

25 (k) (1) Prosthetic and orthotic devices and eyeglasses are  
26 covered, subject to utilization controls. Utilization controls shall  
27 allow replacement of prosthetic and orthotic devices and eyeglasses  
28 necessary because of loss or destruction due to circumstances  
29 beyond the beneficiary's control. Frame styles for eyeglasses  
30 replaced pursuant to this subdivision shall not change more than  
31 once every two years, unless the department so directs.

32 (2) Orthopedic and conventional shoes are covered when  
33 provided by a prosthetic and orthotic supplier on the prescription  
34 of a physician and when at least one of the shoes will be attached  
35 to a prosthesis or brace, subject to utilization controls. Modification  
36 of stock conventional or orthopedic shoes when medically indicated  
37 is covered, subject to utilization controls. If there is a clearly  
38 established medical need that cannot be satisfied by the  
39 modification of stock conventional or orthopedic shoes,

1 custom-made orthopedic shoes are covered, subject to utilization  
2 controls.

3 (3) Therapeutic shoes and inserts are covered when provided  
4 to a beneficiary with a diagnosis of diabetes, subject to utilization  
5 controls, to the extent that federal financial participation is  
6 available.

7 (l) Hearing aids are covered, subject to utilization controls.  
8 Utilization controls shall allow replacement of hearing aids  
9 necessary because of loss or destruction due to circumstances  
10 beyond the beneficiary's control.

11 (m) Durable medical equipment and medical supplies are  
12 covered, subject to utilization controls. The utilization controls  
13 shall allow the replacement of durable medical equipment and  
14 medical supplies when necessary because of loss or destruction  
15 due to circumstances beyond the beneficiary's control. The  
16 utilization controls shall allow authorization of durable medical  
17 equipment needed to assist a disabled beneficiary in caring for a  
18 child for whom the disabled beneficiary is a parent, stepparent,  
19 foster parent, or legal guardian, subject to the availability of federal  
20 financial participation. The department shall adopt emergency  
21 regulations to define and establish criteria for assistive durable  
22 medical equipment in accordance with the rulemaking provisions  
23 of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing  
24 with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the  
25 Government Code).

26 (n) Family planning services are covered, subject to utilization  
27 controls. However, for Medi-Cal managed care plans, utilization  
28 controls shall be subject to Section 1367.25 of the Health and  
29 Safety Code.

30 (o) Inpatient intensive rehabilitation hospital services, including  
31 respiratory rehabilitation services, in a general acute care hospital  
32 are covered, subject to utilization controls, when either of the  
33 following criteria are met:

34 (1) A patient with a permanent disability or severe impairment  
35 requires an inpatient intensive rehabilitation hospital program as  
36 described in Section 14064 to develop function beyond the limited  
37 amount that would occur in the normal course of recovery.

38 (2) A patient with a chronic or progressive disease requires an  
39 inpatient intensive rehabilitation hospital program as described in

1 Section 14064 to maintain the patient’s present functional level as  
2 long as possible.

3 (p) (1) Adult day health care is covered in accordance with  
4 Chapter 8.7 (commencing with Section 14520).

5 (2) Commencing 30 days after the effective date of the act that  
6 added this paragraph, and notwithstanding the number of days  
7 previously approved through a treatment authorization request,  
8 adult day health care is covered for a maximum of three days per  
9 week.

10 (3) As provided in accordance with paragraph (4), adult day  
11 health care is covered for a maximum of five days per week.

12 (4) As of the date that the director makes the declaration  
13 described in subdivision (g) of Section 14525.1, paragraph (2)  
14 shall become inoperative and paragraph (3) shall become operative.

15 (q) (1) Application of fluoride, or other appropriate fluoride  
16 treatment as defined by the department, and other prophylaxis  
17 treatment for children 17 years of age and under are covered.

18 (2) All dental hygiene services provided by a registered dental  
19 hygienist, registered dental hygienist in extended functions, and  
20 registered dental hygienist in alternative practice licensed pursuant  
21 to Sections 1753, 1917, 1918, and 1922 of the Business and  
22 Professions Code may be covered as long as they are within the  
23 scope of Denti-Cal benefits and they are necessary services  
24 provided by a registered dental hygienist, registered dental  
25 hygienist in extended functions, or registered dental hygienist in  
26 alternative practice.

27 (r) (1) Paramedic services performed by a city, county, or  
28 special district, or pursuant to a contract with a city, county, or  
29 special district, and pursuant to a program established under former  
30 Article 3 (commencing with Section 1480) of Chapter 2.5 of  
31 Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code by a paramedic certified  
32 pursuant to that article, and consisting of defibrillation and those  
33 services specified in subdivision (3) of former Section 1482 of the  
34 article.

35 (2) A provider enrolled under this subdivision shall satisfy all  
36 applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for becoming a  
37 Medi-Cal provider.

38 (3) This subdivision shall be implemented only to the extent  
39 funding is available under Section 14106.6.

1 (s) (1) In-home medical care services are covered when  
2 medically appropriate and subject to utilization controls, for a  
3 beneficiary who would otherwise require care for an extended  
4 period of time in an acute care hospital at a cost higher than  
5 in-home medical care services. The director shall have the authority  
6 under this section to contract with organizations qualified to  
7 provide in-home medical care services to those persons. These  
8 services may be provided to a patient placed in a shared or  
9 congregate living arrangement, if a home setting is not medically  
10 appropriate or available to the beneficiary.

11 (2) As used in this subdivision, “in-home medical care service”  
12 includes utility bills directly attributable to continuous, 24-hour  
13 operation of life-sustaining medical equipment, to the extent that  
14 federal financial participation is available.

15 (3) As used in this subdivision, in-home medical care services  
16 include, but are not limited to:

17 (A) Level-of-care and cost-of-care evaluations.

18 (B) Expenses, directly attributable to home care activities, for  
19 materials.

20 (C) Physician fees for home visits.

21 (D) Expenses directly attributable to home care activities for  
22 shelter and modification to shelter.

23 (E) Expenses directly attributable to additional costs of special  
24 diets, including tube feeding.

25 (F) Medically related personal services.

26 (G) Home nursing education.

27 (H) Emergency maintenance repair.

28 (I) Home health agency personnel benefits that permit coverage  
29 of care during periods when regular personnel are on vacation or  
30 using sick leave.

31 (J) All services needed to maintain antiseptic conditions at stoma  
32 or shunt sites on the body.

33 (K) Emergency and nonemergency medical transportation.

34 (L) Medical supplies.

35 (M) Medical equipment, including, but not limited to, scales,  
36 gurneys, and equipment racks suitable for paralyzed patients.

37 (N) Utility use directly attributable to the requirements of home  
38 care activities that are in addition to normal utility use.

39 (O) Special drugs and medications.

1 (P) Home health agency supervision of visiting staff that is  
2 medically necessary, but not included in the home health agency  
3 rate.

4 (Q) Therapy services.

5 (R) Household appliances and household utensil costs directly  
6 attributable to home care activities.

7 (S) Modification of medical equipment for home use.

8 (T) Training and orientation for use of life-support systems,  
9 including, but not limited to, support of respiratory functions.

10 (U) Respiratory care practitioner services as defined in Sections  
11 3702 and 3703 of the Business and Professions Code, subject to  
12 prescription by a physician and surgeon.

13 (4) A beneficiary receiving in-home medical care services is  
14 entitled to the full range of services within the Medi-Cal scope of  
15 benefits as defined by this section, subject to medical necessity  
16 and applicable utilization control. Services provided pursuant to  
17 this subdivision, which are not otherwise included in the Medi-Cal  
18 schedule of benefits, shall be available only to the extent that  
19 federal financial participation for these services is available in  
20 accordance with a home- and community-based services waiver.

21 (t) Home- and community-based services approved by the  
22 United States Department of Health and Human Services are  
23 covered to the extent that federal financial participation is available  
24 for those services under the state plan or waivers granted in  
25 accordance with Section 1315 or 1396n of Title 42 of the United  
26 States Code. The director may seek waivers for any or all home-  
27 and community-based services approvable under Section 1315 or  
28 1396n of Title 42 of the United States Code. Coverage for those  
29 services shall be limited by the terms, conditions, and duration of  
30 the federal waivers.

31 (u) Comprehensive perinatal services, as provided through an  
32 agreement with a health care provider designated in Section  
33 14134.5 and meeting the standards developed by the department  
34 pursuant to Section 14134.5, subject to utilization controls.

35 The department shall seek any federal waivers necessary to  
36 implement the provisions of this subdivision. The provisions for  
37 which appropriate federal waivers cannot be obtained shall not be  
38 implemented. Provisions for which waivers are obtained or for  
39 which waivers are not required shall be implemented  
40 notwithstanding any inability to obtain federal waivers for the

1 other provisions. No provision of this subdivision shall be  
2 implemented unless matching funds from Subchapter XIX  
3 (commencing with Section 1396) of Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the  
4 United States Code are available.

5 (v) Early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment for  
6 any individual under 21 years of age is covered, consistent with  
7 the requirements of Subchapter XIX (commencing with Section  
8 1396) of Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the United States Code.

9 (w) Hospice service that is Medicare-certified hospice service  
10 is covered, subject to utilization controls. Coverage shall be  
11 available only to the extent that no additional net program costs  
12 are incurred.

13 (x) When a claim for treatment provided to a beneficiary  
14 includes both services that are authorized and reimbursable under  
15 this chapter and services that are not reimbursable under this  
16 chapter, that portion of the claim for the treatment and services  
17 authorized and reimbursable under this chapter shall be payable.

18 (y) Home- and community-based services approved by the  
19 United States Department of Health and Human Services for a  
20 beneficiary with a diagnosis of Acquired Immune Deficiency  
21 Syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS-related complex, who requires  
22 intermediate care or a higher level of care.

23 Services provided pursuant to a waiver obtained from the  
24 Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human  
25 Services pursuant to this subdivision, and that are not otherwise  
26 included in the Medi-Cal schedule of benefits, shall be available  
27 only to the extent that federal financial participation for these  
28 services is available in accordance with the waiver, and subject to  
29 the terms, conditions, and duration of the waiver. These services  
30 shall be provided to a beneficiary in accordance with the client's  
31 needs as identified in the plan of care, and subject to medical  
32 necessity and applicable utilization control.

33 The director may, under this section, contract with organizations  
34 qualified to provide, directly or by subcontract, services provided  
35 for in this subdivision to an eligible beneficiary. Contracts or  
36 agreements entered into pursuant to this division shall not be  
37 subject to the Public Contract Code.

38 (z) Respiratory care when provided in organized health care  
39 systems as defined in Section 3701 of the Business and Professions

1 Code, and as an in-home medical service as outlined in subdivision  
2 (s).

3 (aa) (1) There is hereby established in the department a program  
4 to provide comprehensive clinical family planning services to any  
5 person who has a family income at or below 200 percent of the  
6 federal poverty level, as revised annually, and who is eligible to  
7 receive these services pursuant to the waiver identified in paragraph  
8 (2). This program shall be known as the Family Planning, Access,  
9 Care, and Treatment (Family PACT) Program.

10 (2) The department shall seek a waiver in accordance with  
11 Section 1315 of Title 42 of the United States Code, or a state plan  
12 amendment adopted in accordance with Section  
13 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXI) of Title 42 of the United States  
14 Code, which was added to Section 1396a of Title 42 of the United States  
15 Code by Section 2303(a)(2) of the federal Patient Protection and  
16 Affordable Care Act (PPACA) (Public Law 111-148), for a  
17 program to provide comprehensive clinical family planning  
18 services as described in paragraph (8). Under the waiver, the  
19 program shall be operated only in accordance with the waiver and  
20 the statutes and regulations in paragraph (4) and subject to the  
21 terms, conditions, and duration of the waiver. Under the state plan  
22 amendment, which shall replace the waiver and shall be known as  
23 the Family PACT successor state plan amendment, the program  
24 shall be operated only in accordance with this subdivision and the  
25 statutes and regulations in paragraph (4). The state shall use the  
26 standards and processes imposed by the state on January 1, 2007,  
27 including the application of an eligibility discount factor to the  
28 extent required by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid  
29 Services, for purposes of determining eligibility as permitted under  
30 Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXI) of Title 42 of the United States  
31 Code. To the extent that federal financial participation is available,  
32 the program shall continue to conduct education, outreach,  
33 enrollment, service delivery, and evaluation services as specified  
34 under the waiver. The services shall be provided under the program  
35 only if the waiver and, when applicable, the successor state plan  
36 amendment are approved by the federal Centers for Medicare and  
37 Medicaid Services and only to the extent that federal financial  
38 participation is available for the services. This section does not  
39 prohibit the department from seeking the Family PACT successor  
40 state plan amendment during the operation of the waiver.

1 (3) Solely for the purposes of the waiver or Family PACT  
2 successor state plan amendment and notwithstanding any other  
3 law, the collection and use of an individual’s social security number  
4 shall be necessary only to the extent required by federal law.

5 (4) Sections 14105.3 to 14105.39, inclusive, 14107.11, 24005,  
6 and 24013, and any regulations adopted under these statutes shall  
7 apply to the program provided for under this subdivision. No other  
8 law under the Medi-Cal program or the State-Only Family Planning  
9 Program shall apply to the program provided for under this  
10 subdivision.

11 (5) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
12 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,  
13 the department may implement, without taking regulatory action,  
14 the provisions of the waiver after its approval by the federal Centers  
15 for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the provisions of this  
16 section by means of an all-county letter or similar instruction to  
17 providers. Thereafter, the department shall adopt regulations to  
18 implement this section and the approved waiver in accordance  
19 with the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
20 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.  
21 Beginning six months after the effective date of the act adding this  
22 subdivision, the department shall provide a status report to the  
23 Legislature on a semiannual basis until regulations have been  
24 adopted.

25 (6) If the Department of Finance determines that the program  
26 operated under the authority of the waiver described in paragraph  
27 (2) or the Family PACT successor state plan amendment is no  
28 longer cost effective, this subdivision shall become inoperative on  
29 the first day of the first month following the issuance of a 30-day  
30 notification of that determination in writing by the Department of  
31 Finance to the chairperson in each house that considers  
32 appropriations, the chairpersons of the committees, and the  
33 appropriate subcommittees in each house that considers the State  
34 Budget, and the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget  
35 Committee.

36 (7) If this subdivision ceases to be operative, all persons who  
37 have received or are eligible to receive comprehensive clinical  
38 family planning services pursuant to the waiver described in  
39 paragraph (2) shall receive family planning services under the  
40 Medi-Cal program pursuant to subdivision (n) if they are otherwise

1 eligible for Medi-Cal with no share of cost, or shall receive  
2 comprehensive clinical family planning services under the program  
3 established in Division 24 (commencing with Section 24000) either  
4 if they are eligible for Medi-Cal with a share of cost or if they are  
5 otherwise eligible under Section 24003.

6 (8) For purposes of this subdivision, “comprehensive clinical  
7 family planning services” means the process of establishing  
8 objectives for the number and spacing of children, and selecting  
9 the means by which those objectives may be achieved. These  
10 means include a broad range of acceptable and effective methods  
11 and services to limit or enhance fertility, including contraceptive  
12 methods, federal Food and Drug Administration-approved  
13 contraceptive drugs, devices, and supplies, natural family planning,  
14 abstinence methods, and basic, limited fertility management.  
15 Comprehensive clinical family planning services include, but are  
16 not limited to, preconception counseling, maternal and fetal health  
17 counseling, general reproductive health care, including diagnosis  
18 and treatment of infections and conditions, including cancer, that  
19 threaten reproductive capability, medical family planning treatment  
20 and procedures, including supplies and followup, and  
21 informational, counseling, and educational services.  
22 Comprehensive clinical family planning services shall not include  
23 abortion, pregnancy testing solely for the purposes of referral for  
24 abortion or services ancillary to abortions, or pregnancy care that  
25 is not incident to the diagnosis of pregnancy. Comprehensive  
26 clinical family planning services shall be subject to utilization  
27 control and include all of the following:

28 (A) Family planning related services and male and female  
29 sterilization. Family planning services for men and women shall  
30 include emergency services and services for complications directly  
31 related to the contraceptive method, federal Food and Drug  
32 Administration-approved contraceptive drugs, devices, and  
33 supplies, and followup, consultation, and referral services, as  
34 indicated, which may require treatment authorization requests.

35 (B) All United States Department of Agriculture, federal Food  
36 and Drug Administration-approved contraceptive drugs, devices,  
37 and supplies that are in keeping with current standards of practice  
38 and from which the individual may choose.

- 1 (C) Culturally and linguistically appropriate health education  
2 and counseling services, including informed consent, that include  
3 all of the following:
- 4 (i) Psychosocial and medical aspects of contraception.
  - 5 (ii) Sexuality.
  - 6 (iii) Fertility.
  - 7 (iv) Pregnancy.
  - 8 (v) Parenthood.
  - 9 (vi) Infertility.
  - 10 (vii) Reproductive health care.
  - 11 (viii) Preconception and nutrition counseling.
  - 12 (ix) Prevention and treatment of sexually transmitted infection.
  - 13 (x) Use of contraceptive methods, federal Food and Drug  
14 Administration-approved contraceptive drugs, devices, and  
15 supplies.
  - 16 (xi) Possible contraceptive consequences and followup.
  - 17 (xii) Interpersonal communication and negotiation of  
18 relationships to assist individuals and couples in effective  
19 contraceptive method use and planning families.
- 20 (D) A comprehensive health history, updated at the next periodic  
21 visit (between 11 and 24 months after initial examination) that  
22 includes a complete obstetrical history, gynecological history,  
23 contraceptive history, personal medical history, health risk factors,  
24 and family health history, including genetic or hereditary  
25 conditions.
- 26 (E) A complete physical examination on initial and subsequent  
27 periodic visits.
- 28 (F) Services, drugs, devices, and supplies deemed by the federal  
29 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to be appropriate for  
30 inclusion in the program.
- 31 (G) *The human papillomavirus vaccine for persons for whom*  
32 *it is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA).*
- 33 ~~(G)~~
- 34 (H) (i) Home test kits for sexually transmitted diseases,  
35 including any laboratory costs of processing the kit, that are  
36 deemed medically necessary or appropriate and ordered directly  
37 by an enrolled Medi-Cal or Family PACT clinician or furnished  
38 through a standing order for patient use based on clinical guidelines  
39 and individual patient health needs.

1 (ii) For purposes of this subparagraph, “home test kit” means a  
2 product used for a test recommended by the federal Centers for  
3 Disease Control and Prevention guidelines or the United States  
4 Preventive Services Task Force that has been CLIA-waived,  
5 FDA-cleared or -approved, or developed by a laboratory in  
6 accordance with established regulations and quality standards, to  
7 allow individuals to self-collect specimens for STDs, including  
8 HIV, remotely at a location outside of a clinical setting.

9 (iii) Reimbursement under this subparagraph shall be contingent  
10 upon the addition of codes specific to home test kits in the Current  
11 Procedural Terminology or Healthcare Common Procedure Coding  
12 System to comply with Health Insurance Portability and  
13 Accountability Act requirements. The home test kit shall be sent  
14 by the enrolled Family PACT provider to a Medi-Cal-enrolled  
15 laboratory with fee based on Medicare Clinical Diagnostic  
16 Laboratory Tests Payment System Final Rule.

17 (9) In order to maximize the availability of federal financial  
18 participation under this subdivision, the director shall have the  
19 discretion to implement the Family PACT successor state plan  
20 amendment retroactively to July 1, 2010.

21 (ab) (1) Purchase of prescribed enteral nutrition products is  
22 covered, subject to the Medi-Cal list of enteral nutrition products  
23 and utilization controls.

24 (2) Purchase of enteral nutrition products is limited to those  
25 products to be administered through a feeding tube, including, but  
26 not limited to, a gastric, nasogastric, or jejunostomy tube. A  
27 beneficiary under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic,  
28 and Treatment Program shall be exempt from this paragraph.

29 (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), the department may deem  
30 an enteral nutrition product, not administered through a feeding  
31 tube, including, but not limited to, a gastric, nasogastric, or  
32 jejunostomy tube, a benefit for patients with diagnoses, including,  
33 but not limited to, malabsorption and inborn errors of metabolism,  
34 if the product has been shown to be neither investigational nor  
35 experimental when used as part of a therapeutic regimen to prevent  
36 serious disability or death.

37 (4) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
38 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,  
39 the department may implement the amendments to this subdivision  
40 made by the act that added this paragraph by means of all-county

1 letters, provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking  
2 regulatory action.

3 (5) The amendments made to this subdivision by the act that  
4 added this paragraph shall be implemented June 1, 2011, or on the  
5 first day of the first calendar month following 60 days after the  
6 date the department secures all necessary federal approvals to  
7 implement this section, whichever is later.

8 (ac) Diabetic testing supplies are covered when provided by a  
9 pharmacy, subject to utilization controls.

10 (ad) (1) Nonmedical transportation is covered, subject to  
11 utilization controls and permissible time and distance standards,  
12 for a beneficiary to obtain covered Medi-Cal services.

13 (2) (A) (i) Nonmedical transportation includes, at a minimum,  
14 round trip transportation for a beneficiary to obtain covered  
15 Medi-Cal services by passenger car, taxicab, or any other form of  
16 public or private conveyance, and mileage reimbursement when  
17 conveyance is in a private vehicle arranged by the beneficiary and  
18 not through a transportation broker, bus passes, taxi vouchers, or  
19 train tickets.

20 (ii) Nonmedical transportation does not include the  
21 transportation of a sick, injured, invalid, convalescent, infirm, or  
22 otherwise incapacitated beneficiary by ambulance, litter van, or  
23 wheelchair van licensed, operated, and equipped in accordance  
24 with state and local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

25 (B) Nonmedical transportation shall be provided for a  
26 beneficiary who can attest in a manner to be specified by the  
27 department that other currently available resources have been  
28 reasonably exhausted. For a beneficiary enrolled in a managed  
29 care plan, nonmedical transportation shall be provided by the  
30 beneficiary's managed care plan. For a Medi-Cal fee-for-service  
31 beneficiary, the department shall provide nonmedical transportation  
32 when those services are not available to the beneficiary under  
33 Sections 14132.44 and 14132.47.

34 (3) Nonmedical transportation shall be provided in a form and  
35 manner that is accessible, in terms of physical and geographic  
36 accessibility, for the beneficiary and consistent with applicable  
37 state and federal disability rights laws.

38 (4) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this subdivision  
39 to affirm the requirement under Section 431.53 of Title 42 of the  
40 Code of Federal Regulations, in which the department is required

1 to provide necessary transportation, including nonmedical  
2 transportation, for recipients to and from covered services. This  
3 subdivision shall not be interpreted to add a new benefit to the  
4 Medi-Cal program.

5 (5) The department shall seek any federal approvals that may  
6 be required to implement this subdivision, including, but not  
7 limited to, approval of revisions to the existing state plan that the  
8 department determines are necessary to implement this subdivision.

9 (6) This subdivision shall be implemented only to the extent  
10 that federal financial participation is available and not otherwise  
11 jeopardized and any necessary federal approvals have been  
12 obtained.

13 (7) Prior to the effective date of any necessary federal approvals,  
14 nonmedical transportation was not a Medi-Cal managed care  
15 benefit with the exception of when provided as an Early and  
16 Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment service.

17 (8) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
18 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,  
19 the department, without taking any further regulatory action, shall  
20 implement, interpret, or make specific this subdivision by means  
21 of all-county letters, plan letters, plan or provider bulletins, or  
22 similar instructions until the time regulations are adopted. By July  
23 1, 2018, the department shall adopt regulations in accordance with  
24 the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340)  
25 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.  
26 Commencing January 1, 2018, and notwithstanding Section  
27 10231.5 of the Government Code, the department shall provide a  
28 status report to the Legislature on a semiannual basis, in  
29 compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code, until  
30 regulations have been adopted.

31 (9) This subdivision shall not be implemented until July 1, 2017.

32 (ae) (1) No sooner than January 1, 2022, Rapid Whole Genome  
33 Sequencing, including individual sequencing, trio sequencing for  
34 a parent or parents and their baby, and ultra-rapid sequencing, is  
35 a covered benefit for any Medi-Cal beneficiary who is one year  
36 of age or younger and is receiving inpatient hospital services in  
37 an intensive care unit.

38 (2) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
39 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,  
40 the department, without taking any further regulatory action, shall

1 implement, interpret, or make specific this subdivision by means  
2 of all-county letters, plan letters, plan or provider bulletins, or  
3 similar instructions until the time regulations are adopted.

4 (3) This subdivision shall be implemented only to the extent  
5 that any necessary federal approvals are obtained, and federal  
6 financial participation is available and not otherwise jeopardized.

7 (af) (1) Home test kits for sexually transmitted diseases that  
8 are deemed medically necessary or appropriate and ordered directly  
9 by an enrolled Medi-Cal clinician or furnished through a standing  
10 order for patient use based on clinical guidelines and individual  
11 patient health needs.

12 (2) For purposes of this subdivision, “home test kit” means a  
13 product used for a test recommended by the federal Centers for  
14 Disease Control and Prevention guidelines or the United States  
15 Preventive Services Task Force that has been CLIA-waived,  
16 FDA-cleared or -approved, or developed by a laboratory in  
17 accordance with established regulations and quality standards, to  
18 allow individuals to self-collect specimens for STDs, including  
19 HIV, remotely at a location outside of a clinical setting.

20 (3) Reimbursement under this subparagraph shall be contingent  
21 upon the addition of codes specific to home test kits in the Current  
22 Procedural Terminology or Healthcare Common Procedure Coding  
23 System to comply with Health Insurance Portability and  
24 Accountability Act requirements. The home test kit shall be sent  
25 by the enrolled Medi-Cal provider to a Medi-Cal-enrolled  
26 laboratory with fee based on Medicare Clinical Diagnostic  
27 Laboratory Tests Payment System Final Rule.

28 (4) This subdivision shall be implemented only to the extent  
29 that federal financial participation is available and not otherwise  
30 jeopardized, and any necessary federal approvals have been  
31 obtained.

32 (5) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section  
33 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code,  
34 the State Department of Health Care Services may implement this  
35 subdivision by means of all-county letters, plan letters, plan or  
36 provider bulletins, or similar instructions, without taking any  
37 further regulatory action.

38 SEC. 4. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
39 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because  
40 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school

1 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or  
2 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty  
3 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of  
4 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within  
5 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California  
6 Constitution.

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