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S.P. 334

In Senate, February 4, 1999

An Act to Facilitate the Collection of Data Concerning the Health Care Services Provided by Certified Nurse Practitioners and Certified Nurse Midwives.

Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.
Cosponsored by Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, PENDLETON of Cumberland, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: MADORE of Augusta, McALEVEY of Waterboro, SAVAGE of Union.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2332-J is enacted to read:

§2332-J. Health care services provided by certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives

1. Provider identification numbers. A nonprofit hospital or medical service organization that issues group and individual health care contracts and provides coverage under those contracts for services performed by certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives shall assign identification numbers to certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives that perform covered services for individuals covered under those contracts.

2. Submission of claim. A claim submitted for payment to a nonprofit hospital or medical service organization by a health care provider or facility must include the identification number required by subsection 1 of the certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife that provided the service.

3. Report to Superintendent of Insurance. A nonprofit hospital or medical service organization subject to this section shall report its experience related to services provided by certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives for each calendar year to the Superintendent of Insurance not later than April 30th of the following year. The report must be in a form prescribed by the superintendent and include the total amount of claims paid in this State for the services of certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives, the amount of claims paid for inpatient, outpatient and day treatment services and utilization rates. The superintendent shall compile this data for all nonprofit hospital or medical service organizations in an annual report.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2756 is enacted to read:

§2756. Health care services provided by certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives

1. Provider identification numbers. An insurer that issues individual health care contracts and provides coverage under those contracts for services performed by certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives shall assign identification numbers to certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives that perform covered services for individuals covered under those contracts.

2. Submission of claim. A claim submitted for payment to an insurer by a health care provider or facility must include the

2 identification number required by subsection 1 of the certified
3 nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife that provided the
4 service.

6 3. Report to Superintendent of Insurance. An insurer
7 subject to this section shall report its experience related to
8 services provided by certified nurse practitioners and certified
9 nurse midwives for each calendar year to the Superintendent of
10 Insurance not later than April 30th of the following year. The
11 report must be in a form prescribed by the superintendent and
12 include the total amount of claims paid in this State for the
13 services of certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse
14 midwives, the amount of claims paid for inpatient, outpatient and
15 day treatment services and utilization rates. The superintendent
16 shall compile this data for all insurers in an annual report.

18 Sec. 3. 24-A MRSa §2847-G is enacted to read:

20 **§2847-G. Health care services provided by certified nurse**
21 **practitioners and certified nurse midwives**

22 1. Provider identification numbers. An insurer that issues
23 group health care contracts and provides coverage under those
24 contracts for services performed by certified nurse practitioners
25 or certified nurse midwives shall assign identification numbers
26 to certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives
27 that perform covered services for individuals covered under those
28 contracts.

30 2. Submission of claim. A claim submitted for payment to
31 an insurer by a health care provider or facility must include the
32 identification number required by subsection 1 of the certified
33 nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife that provided the
34 service.

36 3. Report to Superintendent of Insurance. An insurer
37 subject to this section shall report its experience related to
38 services provided by certified nurse practitioners and certified
39 nurse midwives for each calendar year to the Superintendent of
40 Insurance not later than April 30th of the following year. The
41 report must be in a form prescribed by the superintendent and
42 include the total amount of claims paid in this State for the
43 services of certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse
44 midwives, the amount of claims paid for inpatient, outpatient and
45 day treatment services and utilization rates. The superintendent
46 shall compile this data for all insurers in an annual report.

48 Sec. 4. 24-A MRSa §4245 is enacted to read:

50 **§4245. Health care services provided by certified nurse**
51 **practitioners and certified nurse midwives**

52 1. Provider identification numbers. A health maintenance
53 organization that issues individual and group health care
54 services shall assign identification numbers to certified nurse

2 contracts and provides coverage under those contracts for
3 services performed by certified nurse practitioners and certified
4 nurse midwives shall assign identification numbers to certified
5 nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives that perform
6 covered services for individuals covered under those contracts.

7 2. Submission of claim. A claim submitted for payment to
8 an insurer by a health care provider or facility must include the
9 identification number required by subsection 1 of the certified
10 nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife that provided the
11 service.

12 3. Report to Superintendent of Insurance. A health
13 maintenance organization subject to this section shall report its
14 experience related to services provided by certified nurse
15 practitioners and certified nurse midwives for each calendar year
16 to the Superintendent of Insurance not later than April 30th of
17 the following year. The report must be in a form prescribed by
18 the superintendent and include the total amount of claims paid in
19 this State for the services of certified nurse practitioners and
20 certified nurse midwives, the amount of claims paid for
21 inpatient, outpatient and day treatment services and utilization
22 rates. The superintendent shall compile this data for all health
23 maintenance organizations in an annual report.

26 SUMMARY

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29 This bill requires that nonprofit hospital and medical
30 service organizations, health insurers and health maintenance
31 organizations assign identification numbers to certified nurse
32 practitioners and certified nurse midwives that provide services
33 under individual and group contracts. It also requires that
34 claims submissions include the identification numbers of any
35 certified nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife that
36 provided services related to the claim. The bill further
37 requires that nonprofit hospital and medical service
38 organizations, health insurers and health maintenance
39 organizations file annual reports with the Superintendent of
40 Insurance outlining their experience related to services provided
by certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives.