



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 821**

January Session, 2019



**AN ACT CONCERNING EQUITABLE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT  
FOR FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER PRACTITIONERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-245b of the general statutes is repealed and  
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

3 The Commissioner of Social Services shall, consistent with federal  
4 law, make changes to the cost-based reimbursement methodology in  
5 the Medicaid program for federally qualified health centers. To the  
6 extent permitted by federal law, the commissioner may reimburse a  
7 federally qualified health center under the Medicaid program for  
8 multiple medical, behavioral health or dental services provided to an  
9 individual during the course of a calendar day, irrespective of the type  
10 of service provided. [On or before January 1, 2008, the commissioner  
11 shall report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly  
12 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the  
13 budgets of state agencies and human services on the status of the  
14 changes to the cost-based reimbursement methodology.] Payment for  
15 electronic consulting provided by a qualified primary care or treating  
16 practitioner at a federally qualified health center shall be a permissible  
17 component within the federally mandated Medicaid prospective  
18 payment methodology for federally qualified health centers.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	17b-245b
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**HS**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*