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AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to MO HealthNet managed care.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto three new sections, to be known as sections 208.1100, 208.1105, and 208.1110, to read as follows:

208.1100. Any contract between the state of Missouri and a vendor of prepaid capitated health services as described in section 208.166, which is issued, reauthorized, or renewed after August 28, 2017, shall incorporate the following standards:

(1) Each vendor of services shall use the same set of utilization review protocols and standards in determining medical necessity for services and for authorizing payment for such services delivered and administered pursuant to the contract. The utilization review protocols and standards shall be established by the department of social services. Utilization review standards for hospital emergency department coverage shall include the standards established for health maintenance organizations as defined in chapter 354 regarding emergency medical services and emergency medical conditions. The department shall ensure the active engagement of network health care providers in developing the department's set of uniform utilization review protocols and standards, including but not limited to, providers of behavioral health services. In developing such standards and protocols, the department shall give preference to the use of protocols and standards with prevalent use among Medicare and health carriers, as defined in section 376.1350;

(2) Decisions regarding appeals of utilization review or payment authorization decisions shall be timely. Data on the number, timing, nature, and disposition of such appeals shall be reported to the department as provided by the contract, but no less frequently than quarterly. A contract described in this section shall include deadlines and other criteria for making and resolving disputes of utilization review decisions, and shall include financial penalties for consistent failure of a contracting vendor to issue timely decisions pursuant to terms of the contract and state and federal law and regulation;

(3) Network adequacy standards shall be established and enforced to ensure that vendors of prepaid capitated health services provide comparable access to adult and pediatric primary care and specialty medical care and behavioral health services as is provided to enrollees of private insurance plans;

(4) Administrative requirements imposed on providers and patients by a vendor of prepaid capitated health services shall be standardized and uniformly applied to each such vendor. For purposes of this section, administrative requirements shall include, but not be limited to, the collection from providers of financial, care delivery, and quality of care data;

(5) To the extent that federal statutory or regulatory requirements directly or indirectly prevent the payment of Medicaid upper payment limit payments pursuant to 42 CFR 447 for which some or all hospitals are eligible to receive, alternative or supplemental payments shall be made in lieu thereof, as authorized by appropriation by the general assembly and by federal law and regulation;

(6) Capitation payments made to managed care plans through prepaid capitated coverage arrangements shall not exceed an actuarially sound capitation rate established pursuant to paragraph (c) of 42 CFR 438.6. The portion of such capitation payments for which the state share is funded by the proceeds of a provider assessment shall be used exclusively to pay for the compensable services of some or all of the providers subject to the applicable tax under state law. This requirement shall not apply to the amounts of each type of provider assessment appropriated and expended to fund MO HealthNet managed care payments during state fiscal year 2017. Contracts described in this section shall ensure the collection and distribution of payment and

encounter data necessary to verify continuous compliance with this subdivision. For purposes of this section, the term "provider assessment" shall mean assessments whose payment is mandated by:

(a) Sections 190.800 to 190.839;

(b) Sections 198.401 to 198.439;

(c) Sections 208.453 to 208.480;

(d) Sections 338.500 to 338.550; and

(e) Section 633.401;

(7) Such contract shall provide for a financial penalty to a vendor of prepaid capitated health services if the vendor fails to meet targets defined by the contract for rates at which participants whose care is being managed by such plans seek to use hospital emergency department services for nonemergency medical conditions. The MO HealthNet Division shall convene representatives of vendors of prepaid capitated arrangements, physicians, hospitals, pharmacists, and other applicable health care providers to promote the development and implementation of best practices to reduce the incidence of non-emergency use of hospital emergency departments by MO HealthNet participants;

(8) Such contract shall require that the vendor of prepaid capitated health services be required to provide on a monthly basis, or more frequently as specifically required by the contract, all data necessary to allow the department to monitor and implement payments, including but not limited to, any data necessary to determine compliance with any contractual agreements between the vendor and providers of health care services. Such data shall be a public record pursuant to chapter 610;

(9) Such contract shall permit shared savings and risk- and gain-sharing arrangements between vendors of prepaid capitated health services and health care providers;

(10) In accordance with section 1.330, no such contract shall compel or coerce, directly or indirectly, health care providers to participate in a health care system, including but not limited to a MO HealthNet managed care program; and

(11) All such contracts shall include standards for timely payment of providers by contracted vendors which are at least as stringent as provided by section 376.383. This subdivision shall not be

construed to impede the inclusion of standards regarding timely payment which are more stringent than state statutory standards as permitted or required by federal law or regulation or the terms of a contract under this section.

208.1105. The department of social services shall accept regional plan proposals from provider-sponsored care management organizations as an option for coverage of beneficiaries. Such provider-sponsored care management organizations shall comply with standards established by the department to ensure comparable levels of benefits, quality and protection to enrollees. For purposes of this section, regional proposals may be submitted by a "coordinated care organization" or "CCO", which shall be an organization of health care providers, including a health care home, which agrees to be accountable for the quality, cost, coordination, and overall care of a defined group of MO HealthNet participants. The regional CCOs shall use a shared savings model where over time there is also shared risk. The regional or statewide CCOs shall be reimbursed through a global payment methodology developed by the department. The global payment methodology may utilize a population-based payment mechanism calculated on a per-member, per-month calculation, and may include risk adjustments, risk sharing, and aligned payment incentives to achieve performance improvement. The department may develop performance incentive payments designed to reward increased quality and decreased cost of care. CCOs under this section may be eligible to receive performance incentive payments as determined by the department beginning in their second full year of operation.

208.1110. The state auditor shall conduct an annual evaluation of the savings and costs attributable to state government, political subdivisions, health care providers, and MO HealthNet participants pursuant to the expanded implementation of prepaid capitated health services occurring on or after May 1, 2017. In preparing such evaluations, the state auditor may consult with the departments of social services, mental health, and insurance, financial institutions and professional registration. The annual evaluations shall include an assessment of the financial implications attributable to the use of subcontractors by prepaid capitated heath service plans to administer the delivery of health services, including behavioral health services, to

MO HealthNet participants.

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