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To: Public Health and  
Welfare;  
Appropriations

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 2847

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO AUTHORIZE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT TO HOSPITALS FOR AN  
3 IMPLANTABLE PROGRAMMABLE PUMP INPATIENT PROCEDURE; AND FOR RELATED  
4 PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 SECTION 1. Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code of 1972, as  
7 amended by Senate Bill No. 2143, 1999 Regular Session, which  
8 became law after veto by approval of the Legislature during the  
9 2000 Regular Session, is amended as follows:[MS1]

10 43-13-117. Medical assistance as authorized by this article  
11 shall include payment of part or all of the costs, at the  
12 discretion of the division or its successor, with approval of the  
13 Governor, of the following types of care and services rendered to  
14 eligible applicants who shall have been determined to be eligible  
15 for such care and services, within the limits of state  
16 appropriations and federal matching funds:

17 (1) Inpatient hospital services.

18 (a) The division shall allow thirty (30) days of  
19 inpatient hospital care annually for all Medicaid recipients. The  
20 division shall be authorized to allow unlimited days in  
21 disproportionate hospitals as defined by the division for eligible  
22 infants under the age of six (6) years.

23 (b) From and after July 1, 1994, the Executive Director  
24 of the Division of Medicaid shall amend the Mississippi Title XIX  
25 Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement Plan to remove the occupancy rate  
26 penalty from the calculation of the Medicaid Capital Cost  
27 Component utilized to determine total hospital costs allocated to

28 the Medicaid program.

29 (c) Hospitals will receive an additional payment for  
30 the implantable programmable pump for approved spasticity patients  
31 implanted in an inpatient setting, to be determined by the  
32 Division of Medicaid and approved by the Medical Advisory  
33 Committee. The payment pursuant to written invoice will be in  
34 addition to the facility's per diem reimbursement and will  
35 represent a reduction of costs on the facility's annual cost  
36 report, and shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per  
37 year per recipient. The drug used in the pump will be  
38 reimbursable at ninety-five percent (95%) AWP to physicians or at  
39 the facility's outpatient rate. \* \* \*

40 (2) Outpatient hospital services. Provided that where the  
41 same services are reimbursed as clinic services, the division may  
42 revise the rate or methodology of outpatient reimbursement to  
43 maintain consistency, efficiency, economy and quality of care.  
44 The division shall develop a Medicaid-specific cost-to-charge  
45 ratio calculation from data provided by hospitals to determine an  
46 allowable rate payment for outpatient hospital services, and shall  
47 submit a report thereon to the Medical Advisory Committee on or  
48 before December 1, 1999. The committee shall make a  
49 recommendation on the specific cost-to-charge reimbursement method  
50 for outpatient hospital services to the 2000 Regular Session of  
51 the Legislature.

52 (3) Laboratory and x-ray services.

53 (4) Nursing facility services.

54 (a) The division shall make full payment to nursing  
55 facilities for each day, not exceeding fifty-two (52) days per  
56 year, that a patient is absent from the facility on home leave.  
57 Payment may be made for the following home leave days in addition  
58 to the fifty-two-day limitation: Christmas, the day before  
59 Christmas, the day after Christmas, Thanksgiving, the day before  
60 Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving. However, before  
61 payment may be made for more than eighteen (18) home leave days in  
62 a year for a patient, the patient must have written authorization  
63 from a physician stating that the patient is physically and  
64 mentally able to be away from the facility on home leave. Such

65 authorization must be filed with the division before it will be  
66 effective and the authorization shall be effective for three (3)  
67 months from the date it is received by the division, unless it is  
68 revoked earlier by the physician because of a change in the  
69 condition of the patient.

70 (b) From and after July 1, 1997, the division shall  
71 implement the integrated case-mix payment and quality monitoring  
72 system, which includes the fair rental system for property costs  
73 and in which recapture of depreciation is eliminated. The  
74 division may reduce the payment for hospital leave and therapeutic  
75 home leave days to the lower of the case-mix category as computed  
76 for the resident on leave using the assessment being utilized for  
77 payment at that point in time, or a case-mix score of 1.000 for  
78 nursing facilities, and shall compute case-mix scores of residents  
79 so that only services provided at the nursing facility are  
80 considered in calculating a facility's per diem. The division is  
81 authorized to limit allowable management fees and home office  
82 costs to either three percent (3%), five percent (5%) or seven  
83 percent (7%) of other allowable costs, including allowable therapy  
84 costs and property costs, based on the types of management  
85 services provided, as follows:

86 A maximum of up to three percent (3%) shall be allowed where  
87 centralized managerial and administrative services are provided by  
88 the management company or home office.

89 A maximum of up to five percent (5%) shall be allowed where  
90 centralized managerial and administrative services and limited  
91 professional and consultant services are provided.

92 A maximum of up to seven percent (7%) shall be allowed where  
93 a full spectrum of centralized managerial services, administrative  
94 services, professional services and consultant services are  
95 provided.

96 (c) From and after July 1, 1997, all state-owned  
97 nursing facilities shall be reimbursed on a full reasonable cost

98 basis.

99           (d) When a facility of a category that does not require  
100 a certificate of need for construction and that could not be  
101 eligible for Medicaid reimbursement is constructed to nursing  
102 facility specifications for licensure and certification, and the  
103 facility is subsequently converted to a nursing facility pursuant  
104 to a certificate of need that authorizes conversion only and the  
105 applicant for the certificate of need was assessed an application  
106 review fee based on capital expenditures incurred in constructing  
107 the facility, the division shall allow reimbursement for capital  
108 expenditures necessary for construction of the facility that were  
109 incurred within the twenty-four (24) consecutive calendar months  
110 immediately preceding the date that the certificate of need  
111 authorizing such conversion was issued, to the same extent that  
112 reimbursement would be allowed for construction of a new nursing  
113 facility pursuant to a certificate of need that authorizes such  
114 construction. The reimbursement authorized in this subparagraph  
115 (d) may be made only to facilities the construction of which was  
116 completed after June 30, 1989. Before the division shall be  
117 authorized to make the reimbursement authorized in this  
118 subparagraph (d), the division first must have received approval  
119 from the Health Care Financing Administration of the United States  
120 Department of Health and Human Services of the change in the state  
121 Medicaid plan providing for such reimbursement.

122           (e) The division shall develop and implement a case-mix  
123 payment add-on determined by time studies and other valid  
124 statistical data which will reimburse a nursing facility for the  
125 additional cost of caring for a resident who has a diagnosis of  
126 Alzheimer's or other related dementia and exhibits symptoms that  
127 require special care. Any such case-mix add-on payment shall be  
128 supported by a determination of additional cost. The division  
129 shall also develop and implement as part of the fair rental  
130 reimbursement system for nursing facility beds, an Alzheimer's

resident bed depreciation enhanced reimbursement system which will provide an incentive to encourage nursing facilities to convert or construct beds for residents with Alzheimer's or other related dementia.

(f) The Division of Medicaid shall develop and implement a referral process for long-term care alternatives for Medicaid beneficiaries and applicants. No Medicaid beneficiary shall be admitted to a Medicaid-certified nursing facility unless a licensed physician certifies that nursing facility care is appropriate for that person on a standardized form to be prepared and provided to nursing facilities by the Division of Medicaid. The physician shall forward a copy of that certification to the Division of Medicaid within twenty-four (24) hours after it is signed by the physician. Any physician who fails to forward the certification to the Division of Medicaid within the time period specified in this paragraph shall be ineligible for Medicaid reimbursement for any physician's services performed for the applicant. The Division of Medicaid shall determine, through an assessment of the applicant conducted within two (2) business days after receipt of the physician's certification, whether the applicant also could live appropriately and cost-effectively at home or in some other community-based setting if home- or community-based services were available to the applicant. The time limitation prescribed in this paragraph shall be waived in cases of emergency. If the Division of Medicaid determines that a home- or other community-based setting is appropriate and cost-effective, the division shall:

(i) Advise the applicant or the applicant's legal representative that a home- or other community-based setting is appropriate;

(ii) Provide a proposed care plan and inform the applicant or the applicant's legal representative regarding the degree to which the services in the care plan are available in a

home- or in other community-based setting rather than nursing facility care; and

(iii) Explain that such plan and services are available only if the applicant or the applicant's legal representative chooses a home- or community-based alternative to nursing facility care, and that the applicant is free to choose nursing facility care.

The Division of Medicaid may provide the services described in this paragraph (f) directly or through contract with case managers from the local Area Agencies on Aging, and shall coordinate long-term care alternatives to avoid duplication with hospital discharge planning procedures.

Placement in a nursing facility may not be denied by the division if home- or community-based services that would be more appropriate than nursing facility care are not actually available, or if the applicant chooses not to receive the appropriate home- or community-based services.

The division shall provide an opportunity for a fair hearing under federal regulations to any applicant who is not given the choice of home- or community-based services as an alternative to institutional care.

The division shall make full payment for long-term care alternative services.

The division shall apply for necessary federal waivers to assure that additional services providing alternatives to nursing facility care are made available to applicants for nursing facility care.

(5) Periodic screening and diagnostic services for individuals under age twenty-one (21) years as are needed to identify physical and mental defects and to provide health care treatment and other measures designed to correct or ameliorate defects and physical and mental illness and conditions discovered by the screening services regardless of whether these services are

197 included in the state plan. The division may include in its  
198 periodic screening and diagnostic program those discretionary  
199 services authorized under the federal regulations adopted to  
200 implement Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as  
201 amended. The division, in obtaining physical therapy services,  
202 occupational therapy services, and services for individuals with  
203 speech, hearing and language disorders, may enter into a  
204 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Education for  
205 the provision of such services to handicapped students by public  
206 school districts using state funds which are provided from the  
207 appropriation to the Department of Education to obtain federal  
208 matching funds through the division. The division, in obtaining  
209 medical and psychological evaluations for children in the custody  
210 of the State Department of Human Services may enter into a  
211 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Human Services  
212 for the provision of such services using state funds which are  
213 provided from the appropriation to the Department of Human  
214 Services to obtain federal matching funds through the division.

215 On July 1, 1993, all fees for periodic screening and  
216 diagnostic services under this paragraph (5) shall be increased by  
217 twenty-five percent (25%) of the reimbursement rate in effect on  
218 June 30, 1993.

219 (6) Physician's services. All fees for physicians' services  
220 that are covered only by Medicaid shall be reimbursed at ninety  
221 percent (90%) of the rate established on January 1, 1999, and as  
222 adjusted each January thereafter, under Medicare (Title XVIII of  
223 the Social Security Act, as amended), and which shall in no event  
224 be less than seventy percent (70%) of the rate established on  
225 January 1, 1994. All fees for physicians' services that are  
226 covered by both Medicare and Medicaid shall be reimbursed at ten  
227 percent (10%) of the adjusted Medicare payment established on  
228 January 1, 1999, and as adjusted each January thereafter, under  
229 Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as amended), and

which shall in no event be less than seven percent (7%) of the adjusted Medicare payment established on January 1, 1994.

(7) (a) Home health services for eligible persons, not to exceed in cost the prevailing cost of nursing facility services, not to exceed sixty (60) visits per year.

(b) Repealed.

(8) Emergency medical transportation services. On January 1, 1994, emergency medical transportation services shall be reimbursed at seventy percent (70%) of the rate established under Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as amended).

"Emergency medical transportation services" shall mean, but shall not be limited to, the following services by a properly permitted ambulance operated by a properly licensed provider in accordance with the Emergency Medical Services Act of 1974 (Section 41-59-1 et seq.): (i) basic life support, (ii) advanced life support, (iii) mileage, (iv) oxygen, (v) intravenous fluids, (vi) disposable supplies, (vii) similar services.

(9) Legend and other drugs as may be determined by the division. The division may implement a program of prior approval for drugs to the extent permitted by law. Payment by the division for covered multiple source drugs shall be limited to the lower of the upper limits established and published by the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) plus a dispensing fee of Four Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91), or the estimated acquisition cost (EAC) as determined by the division plus a dispensing fee of Four Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91), or the providers' usual and customary charge to the general public. The division shall allow five (5) prescriptions per month for noninstitutionalized Medicaid recipients; however, exceptions for up to ten (10) prescriptions per month shall be allowed, with the approval of the director.

Payment for other covered drugs, other than multiple source drugs with HCFA upper limits, shall not exceed the lower of the



estimated acquisition cost as determined by the division plus a dispensing fee of Four Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91) or the providers' usual and customary charge to the general public.

Payment for nonlegend or over-the-counter drugs covered on the division's formulary shall be reimbursed at the lower of the division's estimated shelf price or the providers' usual and customary charge to the general public. No dispensing fee shall be paid.

The division shall develop and implement a program of payment for additional pharmacist services, with payment to be based on demonstrated savings, but in no case shall the total payment exceed twice the amount of the dispensing fee.

As used in this paragraph (9), "estimated acquisition cost" means the division's best estimate of what price providers generally are paying for a drug in the package size that providers buy most frequently. Product selection shall be made in compliance with existing state law; however, the division may reimburse as if the prescription had been filled under the generic name. The division may provide otherwise in the case of specified drugs when the consensus of competent medical advice is that trademarked drugs are substantially more effective.

(10) Dental care that is an adjunct to treatment of an acute medical or surgical condition; services of oral surgeons and dentists in connection with surgery related to the jaw or any structure contiguous to the jaw or the reduction of any fracture of the jaw or any facial bone; and emergency dental extractions and treatment related thereto. On July 1, 1999, all fees for dental care and surgery under authority of this paragraph (10) shall be increased to one hundred sixty percent (160%) of the amount of the reimbursement rate that was in effect on June 30, 1999. It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage more dentists to participate in the Medicaid program.

(11) Eyeglasses necessitated by reason of eye surgery, and

as prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or an optometrist, whichever the patient may select, or one (1) pair every three (3) years as prescribed by a physician or an optometrist, whichever the patient may select.

(12) Intermediate care facility services.

(a) The division shall make full payment to all intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded for each day, not exceeding eighty-four (84) days per year, that a patient is absent from the facility on home leave. Payment may be made for the following home leave days in addition to the eighty-four-day limitation: Christmas, the day before Christmas, the day after Christmas, Thanksgiving, the day before Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving. However, before payment may be made for more than eighteen (18) home leave days in a year for a patient, the patient must have written authorization from a physician stating that the patient is physically and mentally able to be away from the facility on home leave. Such authorization must be filed with the division before it will be effective, and the authorization shall be effective for three (3) months from the date it is received by the division, unless it is revoked earlier by the physician because of a change in the condition of the patient.

(b) All state-owned intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded shall be reimbursed on a full reasonable cost basis.

(c) The division is authorized to limit allowable management fees and home office costs to either three percent (3%), five percent (5%) or seven percent (7%) of other allowable costs, including allowable therapy costs and property costs, based on the types of management services provided, as follows:

A maximum of up to three percent (3%) shall be allowed where centralized managerial and administrative services are provided by the management company or home office.

329           A maximum of up to five percent (5%) shall be allowed where  
330 centralized managerial and administrative services and limited  
331 professional and consultant services are provided.

332           A maximum of up to seven percent (7%) shall be allowed where  
333 a full spectrum of centralized managerial services, administrative  
334 services, professional services and consultant services are  
335 provided.

336           (13) Family planning services, including drugs, supplies and  
337 devices, when such services are under the supervision of a  
338 physician.

339           (14) Clinic services. Such diagnostic, preventive,  
340 therapeutic, rehabilitative or palliative services furnished to an  
341 outpatient by or under the supervision of a physician or dentist  
342 in a facility which is not a part of a hospital but which is  
343 organized and operated to provide medical care to outpatients.  
344 Clinic services shall include any services reimbursed as  
345 outpatient hospital services which may be rendered in such a  
346 facility, including those that become so after July 1, 1991. On  
347 July 1, 1999, all fees for physicians' services reimbursed under  
348 authority of this paragraph (14) shall be reimbursed at ninety  
349 percent (90%) of the rate established on January 1, 1999, and as  
350 adjusted each January thereafter, under Medicare (Title XVIII of  
351 the Social Security Act, as amended), and which shall in no event  
352 be less than seventy percent (70%) of the rate established on  
353 January 1, 1994. All fees for physicians' services that are  
354 covered by both Medicare and Medicaid shall be reimbursed at ten  
355 percent (10%) of the adjusted Medicare payment established on  
356 January 1, 1999, and as adjusted each January thereafter, under  
357 Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as amended), and  
358 which shall in no event be less than seven percent (7%) of the  
359 adjusted Medicare payment established on January 1, 1994. On July  
360 1, 1999, all fees for dentists' services reimbursed under  
361 authority of this paragraph (14) shall be increased to one hundred

sixty percent (160%) of the amount of the reimbursement rate that was in effect on June 30, 1999.

(15) Home- and community-based services, as provided under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, under waivers, subject to the availability of funds specifically appropriated therefor by the Legislature. Payment for such services shall be limited to individuals who would be eligible for and would otherwise require the level of care provided in a nursing facility. The home- and community-based services authorized under this paragraph shall be expanded over a five-year period beginning July 1, 1999. The division shall certify case management agencies to provide case management services and provide for home- and community-based services for eligible individuals under this paragraph. The home- and community-based services under this paragraph and the activities performed by certified case management agencies under this paragraph shall be funded using state funds that are provided from the appropriation to the Division of Medicaid and used to match federal funds.

(16) Mental health services. Approved therapeutic and case management services provided by (a) an approved regional mental health/retardation center established under Sections 41-19-31 through 41-19-39, or by another community mental health service provider meeting the requirements of the Department of Mental Health to be an approved mental health/retardation center if determined necessary by the Department of Mental Health, using state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State Department of Mental Health and used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the department, or (b) a facility which is certified by the State Department of Mental Health to provide therapeutic and case management services, to be reimbursed on a fee for service basis. Any such services provided by a facility described in paragraph (b) must have the prior approval of the division to be reimbursable under this

section. After June 30, 1997, mental health services provided by regional mental health/retardation centers established under Sections 41-19-31 through 41-19-39, or by hospitals as defined in Section 41-9-3(a) and/or their subsidiaries and divisions, or by psychiatric residential treatment facilities as defined in Section 43-11-1, or by another community mental health service provider meeting the requirements of the Department of Mental Health to be an approved mental health/retardation center if determined necessary by the Department of Mental Health, shall not be included in or provided under any capitated managed care pilot program provided for under paragraph (24) of this section.

(17) Durable medical equipment services and medical supplies. The Division of Medicaid may require durable medical equipment providers to obtain a surety bond in the amount and to the specifications as established by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

(18) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, the division shall make additional reimbursement to hospitals which serve a disproportionate share of low-income patients and which meet the federal requirements for such payments as provided in Section 1923 of the federal Social Security Act and any applicable regulations.

(19) (a) Perinatal risk management services. The division shall promulgate regulations to be effective from and after October 1, 1988, to establish a comprehensive perinatal system for risk assessment of all pregnant and infant Medicaid recipients and for management, education and follow-up for those who are determined to be at risk. Services to be performed include case management, nutrition assessment/counseling, psychosocial assessment/counseling and health education. The division shall set reimbursement rates for providers in conjunction with the State Department of Health.

(b) Early intervention system services. The division

shall cooperate with the State Department of Health, acting as lead agency, in the development and implementation of a statewide system of delivery of early intervention services, pursuant to Part H of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The State Department of Health shall certify annually in writing to the director of the division the dollar amount of state early intervention funds available which shall be utilized as a certified match for Medicaid matching funds. Those funds then shall be used to provide expanded targeted case management services for Medicaid eligible children with special needs who are eligible for the state's early intervention system.

Qualifications for persons providing service coordination shall be determined by the State Department of Health and the Division of Medicaid.

(20) Home- and community-based services for physically disabled approved services as allowed by a waiver from the United States Department of Health and Human Services for home- and community-based services for physically disabled people using state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State Department of Rehabilitation Services and used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the department, provided that funds for these services are specifically appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation Services.

(21) Nurse practitioner services. Services furnished by a registered nurse who is licensed and certified by the Mississippi Board of Nursing as a nurse practitioner including, but not limited to, nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, family nurse practitioners, family planning nurse practitioners, pediatric nurse practitioners, obstetrics-gynecology nurse practitioners and neonatal nurse practitioners, under regulations adopted by the division. Reimbursement for such services shall not exceed ninety percent (90%) of the reimbursement rate for comparable services

rendered by a physician.

(22) Ambulatory services delivered in federally qualified health centers and in clinics of the local health departments of the State Department of Health for individuals eligible for medical assistance under this article based on reasonable costs as determined by the division.

(23) Inpatient psychiatric services. Inpatient psychiatric services to be determined by the division for recipients under age twenty-one (21) which are provided under the direction of a physician in an inpatient program in a licensed acute care psychiatric facility or in a licensed psychiatric residential treatment facility, before the recipient reaches age twenty-one (21) or, if the recipient was receiving the services immediately before he reached age twenty-one (21), before the earlier of the date he no longer requires the services or the date he reaches age twenty-two (22), as provided by federal regulations. Recipients shall be allowed forty-five (45) days per year of psychiatric services provided in acute care psychiatric facilities, and shall be allowed unlimited days of psychiatric services provided in licensed psychiatric residential treatment facilities. The division is authorized to limit allowable management fees and home office costs to either three percent (3%), five percent (5%) or seven percent (7%) of other allowable costs, including allowable therapy costs and property costs, based on the types of management services provided, as follows:

A maximum of up to three percent (3%) shall be allowed where centralized managerial and administrative services are provided by the management company or home office.

A maximum of up to five percent (5%) shall be allowed where centralized managerial and administrative services and limited professional and consultant services are provided.

A maximum of up to seven percent (7%) shall be allowed where a full spectrum of centralized managerial services, administrative

services, professional services and consultant services are provided.

(24) Managed care services in a program to be developed by the division by a public or private provider.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this article to the contrary, the division shall establish rates of reimbursement to providers rendering care and services authorized under this paragraph (24), and may revise such rates of reimbursement without amendment to this section by the Legislature for the purpose of achieving effective and accessible health services, and for responsible containment of costs.

(b) The managed care services under this paragraph (24) shall include, but not be limited to, one (1) module of capitated managed care in a rural area, and one (1) module of capitated managed care in an urban area; however, the capitated managed care program operated by the division shall not be implemented, conducted or expanded into any county or part of any county other than the following counties: Covington, Forrest, Hancock, Harrison, Lamar, Lauderdale, Pearl River, Perry, Warren and Washington. From and after passage of this act, Medicaid eligibility is guaranteed up to six (6) months for individuals enrolled in a Medicaid managed care program. This subparagraph (b) shall stand repealed on July 1, 2002.

(25) Birthing center services.

(26) Hospice care. As used in this paragraph, the term "hospice care" means a coordinated program of active professional medical attention within the home and outpatient and inpatient care which treats the terminally ill patient and family as a unit, employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of physical, psychological, spiritual, social and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of illness and



during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements for participation as a hospice as provided in federal regulations.

(27) Group health plan premiums and cost sharing if it is cost effective as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(28) Other health insurance premiums which are cost effective as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Medicare eligible must have Medicare Part B before other insurance premiums can be paid.

(29) The Division of Medicaid may apply for a waiver from the Department of Health and Human Services for home- and community-based services for developmentally disabled people using state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State Department of Mental Health and used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the department, provided that funds for these services are specifically appropriated to the Department of Mental Health.

(30) Pediatric skilled nursing services for eligible persons under twenty-one (21) years of age.

(31) Targeted case management services for children with special needs, under waivers from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, using state funds that are provided from the appropriation to the Mississippi Department of Human Services and used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the department.

(32) Care and services provided in Christian Science Sanatoria operated by or listed and certified by The First Church of Christ Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts, rendered in connection with treatment by prayer or spiritual means to the extent that such services are subject to reimbursement under Section 1903 of the Social Security Act.

(33) Podiatrist services.

(34) The division shall make application to the United

560 States Health Care Financing Administration for a waiver to  
561 develop a program of services to personal care and assisted living  
562 homes in Mississippi. This waiver shall be completed by December  
563 1, 1999.

564 (35) Services and activities authorized in Sections  
565 43-27-101 and 43-27-103, using state funds that are provided from  
566 the appropriation to the State Department of Human Services and  
567 used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between  
568 the division and the department.

569 (36) Nonemergency transportation services for  
570 Medicaid-eligible persons, to be provided by the Division of  
571 Medicaid. The division may contract with additional entities to  
572 administer nonemergency transportation services as it deems  
573 necessary. All providers shall have a valid driver's license,  
574 vehicle inspection sticker, valid vehicle license tags and a  
575 standard liability insurance policy covering the vehicle.

576 (37) Targeted case management services for individuals with  
577 chronic diseases, with expanded eligibility to cover services to  
578 uninsured recipients, on a pilot program basis. This paragraph  
579 (37) shall be contingent upon continued receipt of special funds  
580 from the Health Care Financing Authority and private foundations  
581 who have granted funds for planning these services. No funding  
582 for these services shall be provided from state general funds.

583 (38) Chiropractic services: a chiropractor's manual  
584 manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation, if x-ray  
585 demonstrates that a subluxation exists and if the subluxation has  
586 resulted in a neuromusculoskeletal condition for which  
587 manipulation is appropriate treatment. Reimbursement for  
588 chiropractic services shall not exceed Seven Hundred Dollars  
589 (\$700.00) per year per recipient.

590 (39) Dually eligible Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries. The  
591 division shall pay Medicare deductible and ten percent (10%)  
592 coinsurance amounts for services available under Medicare for the

593 duration and scope of services otherwise available under the  
594 Medicaid program.

595 (40) The division shall prepare an application for a waiver  
596 to provide prescription drug benefits to as many Mississippians as  
597 permitted under Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

598 (41) Services provided by the State Department of  
599 Rehabilitation Services for the care and rehabilitation of persons  
600 with spinal cord injuries or traumatic brain injuries, as allowed  
601 under waivers from the United States Department of Health and  
602 Human Services, using up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the  
603 funds that are appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation  
604 Services from the Spinal Cord and Head Injury Trust Fund  
605 established under Section 37-33-261 and used to match federal  
606 funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the  
607 department.

608 Notwithstanding any provision of this article, except as  
609 authorized in the following paragraph and in Section 43-13-139,  
610 neither (a) the limitations on quantity or frequency of use of or  
611 the fees or charges for any of the care or services available to  
612 recipients under this section, nor (b) the payments or rates of  
613 reimbursement to providers rendering care or services authorized  
614 under this section to recipients, may be increased, decreased or  
615 otherwise changed from the levels in effect on July 1, 1999,  
616 unless such is authorized by an amendment to this section by the  
617 Legislature. However, the restriction in this paragraph shall not  
618 prevent the division from changing the payments or rates of  
619 reimbursement to providers without an amendment to this section  
620 whenever such changes are required by federal law or regulation,  
621 or whenever such changes are necessary to correct administrative  
622 errors or omissions in calculating such payments or rates of  
623 reimbursement.

624 Notwithstanding any provision of this article, no new groups  
625 or categories of recipients and new types of care and services may

626 be added without enabling legislation from the Mississippi  
627 Legislature, except that the division may authorize such changes  
628 without enabling legislation when such addition of recipients or  
629 services is ordered by a court of proper authority. The director  
630 shall keep the Governor advised on a timely basis of the funds  
631 available for expenditure and the projected expenditures. In the  
632 event current or projected expenditures can be reasonably  
633 anticipated to exceed the amounts appropriated for any fiscal  
634 year, the Governor, after consultation with the director, shall  
635 discontinue any or all of the payment of the types of care and  
636 services as provided herein which are deemed to be optional  
637 services under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as  
638 amended, for any period necessary to not exceed appropriated  
639 funds, and when necessary shall institute any other cost  
640 containment measures on any program or programs authorized under  
641 the article to the extent allowed under the federal law governing  
642 such program or programs, it being the intent of the Legislature  
643 that expenditures during any fiscal year shall not exceed the  
644 amounts appropriated for such fiscal year.

645 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
646 and after its passage.