1   AN ACT concerning health.

2   **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**

3   **represented in the General Assembly:**

4   Section 5. The Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency

5   Treatment Act is amended by changing Section 5.2 as follows:

6   (410 ILCS 70/5.2)

7   Sec. 5.2. Sexual assault services voucher.

8   (a) A sexual assault services voucher shall be issued by a

9   treatment hospital, treatment hospital with approved pediatric

10   transfer, or approved pediatric health care facility at the

11   time a sexual assault survivor receives medical forensic

12   services.

13   (b) Each treatment hospital, treatment hospital with

14   approved pediatric transfer, and approved pediatric health

15   care facility must include in its sexual assault treatment

16   plan submitted to the Department in accordance with Section 2

17   of this Act a protocol for issuing sexual assault services

18   vouchers. The protocol shall, at a minimum, include the

19   following:

20   (1) Identification of employee positions responsible

21   for issuing sexual assault services vouchers.

22   (2) Identification of employee positions with access

23   to the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor

1   system.

2   (3) A statement to be signed by each employee of an

3   approved pediatric health care facility with access to the

4   Medical Electronic Data Interchange or successor system

5   affirming that the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or

6   successor system will only be used for the purpose of

7   issuing sexual assault services vouchers.

8   (c) A sexual assault services voucher may be used to seek

9   payment for any ambulance services, medical forensic services,

10   laboratory services, pharmacy services, and follow-up

11   healthcare provided as a result of the sexual assault.

12   (c-5) Beginning January 1, 2026, after services are

13   provided to a survivor as a result of a sexual assault, a

14   sexual assault services voucher may be used to seek payment

15   for transportation to the hospital the survivor initially

16   presented at, the survivor's residence, or a survivor services

17   shelter by taxi or rideshare services, if available. A

18   hospital may obtain written consent of the survivor to use

19   taxi or rideshare services arranged by the hospital.

20   (d) Any treatment hospital, treatment hospital with

21   approved pediatric transfer, approved pediatric health care

22   facility, health care professional, ambulance provider,

23   laboratory, or pharmacy may submit a bill for services

24   provided to a sexual assault survivor as a result of a sexual

25   assault to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services

26   Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program. The bill shall

1   include:

2   (1) the name and date of birth of the sexual assault

3   survivor;

4   (2) the service provided;

5   (3) the charge of service;

6   (4) the date the service was provided; and

7   (5) the recipient identification number, if known.

8   A   health   care   professional,   ambulance   provider,

9   laboratory, or pharmacy is not required to submit a copy of the

10   sexual assault services voucher.

11   The Department of Healthcare and Family Services Sexual

12   Assault Emergency Treatment Program shall electronically

13   verify, using the Medical Electronic Data Interchange or a

14   successor system, that a sexual assault services voucher was

15   issued to a sexual assault survivor prior to issuing payment

16   for the services.

17   If a sexual assault services voucher was not issued to a

18   sexual assault survivor by the treatment hospital, treatment

19   hospital with approved pediatric transfer, or approved

20   pediatric health care facility, then a health care

21   professional, ambulance provider, laboratory, or pharmacy may

22   submit a request to the Department of Healthcare and Family

23   Services Sexual Assault Emergency Treatment Program to issue a

24   sexual assault services voucher.

25   (e) This Section is effective on and after January 1,

26   2024.

1   (Source: P.A. 101-634, eff. 6-5-20; 102-22, eff. 6-25-21;

2   102-674, eff. 11-30-21.)