

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB2869

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-16.1

from Ch. 23, par. 5-16.1

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Makes technical changes in a Section concerning case management services.

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1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by changing Section 5-16.1 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-16.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 5-16.1)

Sec. 5-16.1. Case Management Services. The Illinois Department may develop, implement and evaluate a Case Management Services Program which provides services consistent with the provisions of this Section, and the Inter-Agency Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Department of Public Aid) and the Department of Public Health, for a targeted population on a less than Statewide basis in the State of Illinois. The purpose of this Case Management Services Program shall be to assist eligible participants in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational and other services thereby reducing the likelihood of long-term welfare dependency. The Case Management Services Program shall have the following characteristics:

(a) It shall be conducted for a period of no less than 5 consecutive fiscal years in one urban area containing a high proportion, as determined by Department of <u>Healthcare</u> and Family Services <u>Public Aid</u> and Department of Public

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Health records, of Medicaid eligible pregnant or parenting girls under 17 years of age at the time of the initial assessment and in one rural area containing a high proportion, as determined by Department of Healthcare and Family Services Public Aid and Department of Public Health records, of Medicaid eligible pregnant or parenting girls under 17 years of age at the time of the initial assessment.

- (b) Providers participating in the program shall be paid an amount per patient per month, to be set by the Illinois Department, for the case management services provided.
- (c) Providers eligible to participate in the program shall be nurses or social workers, licensed to practice in Illinois, who comply with the rules and regulations established by the Illinois Department and the Inter-Agency Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Department of Public Aid) and the Department of Public Health. The Illinois Department may terminate а provider's participation in the program if the provider is determined to have failed to comply with any applicable program standard or procedure established by the Illinois Department.
- (d) Each eligible participant in an area where the Case Management Services Program is being conducted may

voluntarily designate a case manager, of her own choosing to assume responsibility for her care.

- (e) A participant may change her designated case manager provided that she informs the Illinois Department by the 20th day of the month in order for the change to be effective in the following month.
- (f) The Illinois Department shall, by rule, establish procedures for providing case management services when the designated source becomes unavailable or wishes to withdraw from any obligation as case management services provider.
- (g) In accordance with rules adopted by the Illinois Department, a participant may discontinue participation in the program upon timely notice to the Illinois Department, in which case the participant shall remain eligible for assistance under all applicable provisions of Article V of this Code.

The Illinois Department shall take any necessary steps to obtain authorization or waiver under federal law to implement a Case Management Services Program. Participation shall be voluntary for the provider and the recipient.

22 (Source: P.A. 87-685; revised 12-15-05.)