#### 2016 Legislative Review Stephan Tomlinson Dept. of Social Services

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- Bills Impacting MHD
  - SB607
  - SB608
  - HB1534
  - HB1565
- Reminder: the Governor has not taken action on these bills yet

# SB607

#### Third Party Eligibility Verification

- This act requires DSS to contract with a private vendor to verify that eligibility requirements are being met by recipients of the supplemental nutrition assistance program, temporary assistance for needy families, child care assistance, and MO HealthNet.
- The Department will retain final determination of eligibility.
- The Department and the contractor are required to file an annual report with the Governor and the General Assembly regarding the eligibility data.

- MO HEALTHNET REIMBURSEMENT (Section 208.152)
- This act provides that, subject to appropriations, MO HealthNet providers of behavioral, social, and psychophysiological services, including psychologists, shall be reimbursed for the prevention, treatment, or management of physical health problems.

- JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (Section 208.952)
- This act modifies the Joint Committee on MO HealthNet to create a permanent Joint Committee on Public Assistance.

- The committee shall have the following purposes:
  - (1) studying, monitoring, and reviewing the efficacy of public assistance programs within the state;
  - (2) determining the level and adequacy of resources needed for the programs; and
  - (3) developing recommendations on the public assistance programs and on promoting independence from safety-net programs among participants as may be appropriate.

- The committee shall meet at least twice a year and take public testimony.
- The committee is authorized to hire staff, including an executive director, to conduct special reviews of public assistance programs.
- The committee shall conduct an annual forecast of the state's public assistance programs and make recommendations to the General Assembly.

- MO HEALTHNET REIMBURSEMENT FOR GROUND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES (Sections 208.1030 and 208.1032)
- Under this act, an eligible MO HealthNet provider may receive a supplemental reimbursement, in addition to the MO HealthNet reimbursement such provider would otherwise receive, for ground emergency medical transportation services, provided that such reimbursement shall not exceed 100% of actual costs.

- This act requires DSS to design and implement an IGT program for ground emergency medical transportation services
- These provisions are subject to federal approval, as necessary.

# SB608

- Co-pays
- Beginning October 1, 2016, MHD participants shall pay an \$8 co-pay for use of a hospital emergency department for the treatment of a condition that is not an emergency medical condition.
- There's currently a \$3 co-pay for emergency room services

- Missed Appointment fees
  - This provision permits fee-for-service MO HealthNet providers to charge a missed appointment fee to MO HealthNet participants that participants must pay before scheduling another appointment with that provider. The fee may be charged for missed appointments or for failing to cancel an appointment within 24 hours prior to the appointment.

- The permissible fees are as follows:
  - No charge for the first missed appointment in a three-year period
  - \$5 for the second missed appointment in a threeyear period
  - \$10 for the third missed appointment in a threeyear period
  - \$20 for the fourth and each subsequent missed appointment in a three-year period.
- Health care providers shall waive the fee in cases of inclement weather.

\*4. The department of social services shall submit such state plan amendments and waivers to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services of the federal Department of Health and Human Services as the department determines are necessary to implement the provisions of this section"

- VACCINATIONS (Sections 167.638, 174.335, and 198.054)
- HEALTH CARE COST AND TRANSPARENCY ACT (Section 191.875)
- PALLIATIVE CARE (Sections 191.1075, 191.1080, and 191.1085)
- ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REGULATING THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOSPITALS (Sections 197.065 and 536.031)
- CERTIFICATES OF NEED (Section 197.315)

- PHYSICAL THERAPY COMPACT (Sections 334.1200– 334.1233)
- NURSE LISCENSURE COMPACT (Sections 335.360–335.415)
- EMERGENCY SUPPLIES OF MEDICATION (Section 338.200)
- MAINTENANCE MEDICATION (Section 338.202)
- MEDICATION SYNCHRONIZATION SERVICES (Section 376.379)
- PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS (Section 376.388)
- INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES (Section 376.1235)
- PRESCRIPTION EYE DROPS (Section 376.1237)
- HEALTH CARE PRICE TRANSPARENCY (Section 376.2020)

# HB1534

- Federal Reimbursement Allowance Sunsets
  - Ground Ambulance
  - Nursing Facility
  - Hospital
  - Pharmacy
  - Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled
- Sunset extended until September 30, 2018

#### HB1534 Cont.

|   | FY 2017 (9 months) | FY 2018 (3 months) | FY 2019 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|---------|
| Assessment on<br>Medicaid ambulance<br>organizations<br>(§190.839)        | \$27,755,634       | \$9,251,878        | \$0     |
| Assessment on<br>Medicaid nursing<br>facility organizations<br>(§198.439) | \$260,309,102      | \$86,769,701       | \$O     |
| Assessment on<br>Medicaid hospital<br>organizations<br>(§208.480)         | \$1,429,266,263    | \$476,422,088      | \$0     |
| Assessment on<br>Medicaid pharmacy<br>organizations (§<br>338.550)        | \$78,650,125       | \$26,216,708       | \$O     |
| Assessment on<br>Medicaid ICF/ID<br>organizations<br>(§633.401)           | \$3,309,447        | \$1,103,149        | \$O     |
| Total   | \$1,799,290,571    | \$599,763,524      | \$0     |

# HB1565

- MHD Asset Limits
- Increases asset limits for MHD ABD claimants
  - Current asset limits \$1k individual \$2k married
  - 2018 \$2k individual and \$4k married
  - Increases by \$1k and \$2k each fiscal year (2018-2021) until it is \$5k for individuals and \$10k for married couples
  - COLA adjustments begin in 2022

# HB1565 Cont.

- Department estimates10,005 new cases through FY22
  - Estimated from previous applications/caseloads and census data

|                   | FY22 – Full Implementation |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| General Revenue   | \$45,007,989               |
| Other State Funds | \$30,005,326               |
| Federal Funds     | \$128,982,430              |

# **Questions?**

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