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H.B. No. 3473

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to contracts with managed care organizations under the Medicaid managed care delivery model.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 533.004(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In providing health care services through Medicaid managed care to recipients in a health care service region, the commission shall contract with a managed care organization in that region that is licensed under Chapter 843, Insurance Code, to provide health care in that region and that is:

(1) wholly owned and operated by a hospital district in that region;

(2) created or owned by a nonprofit corporation that:

(A) has a contract, agreement, or other arrangement with:

(i) a hospital district;

(ii) a municipal hospital authority in that region created under Chapter 262, Health and Safety Code, that is located in a county with a population of at least 25,000 and not more than 40,000 that is adjacent to a county with a population of at least 85,000 and not more than 110,000; or

(iii) [with] a municipality in that region that owns a hospital licensed under Chapter 241, Health and Safety

1 Code, and has an obligation to provide health care to indigent
2 patients; and

3 (B) under the contract, agreement, or other
4 arrangement;

5 (i) ~~is~~ assumes the obligation, if
6 applicable, to provide health care to indigent patients; and

7 (ii) leases, manages, or operates a hospital
8 facility owned by the hospital district, hospital authority, or
9 municipality; or

10 (3) created by a nonprofit corporation that has a
11 contract, agreement, or other arrangement with a hospital district
12 in that region under which the nonprofit corporation acts as an
13 agent of the district and assumes the district's obligation to
14 arrange for services under the Medicaid expansion for children as
15 authorized by Chapter 444, Acts of the 74th Legislature, Regular
16 Session, 1995.

17 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
18 to a contract entered into or renewed on or after the effective date
19 of this Act. A contract entered into or renewed before the
20 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect
21 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is
22 continued in effect for that purpose.

23 SECTION 3. If before implementing any provision of this Act
24 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a
25 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,
26 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or
27 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the

1 waiver or authorization is granted.

2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.