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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to allowing health care providers to enter certain claims and other information into the Medicaid electronic visit verification system.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 531.024172(d), Government Code, as effective September 1, 2021, is amended to read as follows:

(d)  In implementing the electronic visit verification system:

(1)  subject to Subsection (e), the executive commissioner shall adopt compliance standards for health care providers; and

(2)  the commission shall ensure that:

(A)  the information required to be reported by health care providers is standardized across managed care organizations that contract with the commission to provide health care services to Medicaid recipients and across commission programs;

(B)  processes required by managed care organizations to retrospectively correct data are standardized and publicly accessible to health care providers;

(C)  standardized processes are established for addressing the failure of a managed care organization to provide a timely authorization for delivering services necessary to ensure continuity of care; and

(D)  a health care provider is allowed to:

(i)  enter a variable schedule into the electronic visit verification system;

(ii)  complete electronic visit verification system data maintenance within the 95-day period following the date of a service delivery visit; and

(iii)  submit a claim to be reimbursed for an amount of time that:

(a)  does not exceed the amount of authorized hours unless the additional hours are approved by the commission or the managed care organization; and

(b)  is equal to or less than the appropriately verified amount of time.

SECTION 2.  If before implementing any provision of this Act a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision, the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the waiver or authorization is granted.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the legislative session.