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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill increases MA payment rates for specified services provided by a hospital that specializes in the treatment of cerebral palsy and other conditions, and exempts these payments from the Medicare payment limit.

Section

- Physician reimbursement. Amends § 256B.76, subd. 1. Effective July 1, 2015, increases payment rates by 90 percent for physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech pathology and related services provided by a hospital that specializes in the treatment of cerebral palsy and other conditions, as specified in section 62Q.19, subdivision 1, clause (4). Provides that payments to managed care and county-based purchasing plans shall not be adjusted to reflect this payment increase.
- Reimbursement for basic care services. Amends § 256B.766. Effective July 1, 2015, increases payment rates by 90 percent for outpatient hospital facility fees, medical supplies and durable medical equipment not subject to a volume purchase contract, prosthetics and orthotics, and laboratory services provided by a hospital that specializes in the treatment of cerebral palsy and other conditions, as specified in section 62Q.19, subdivision 1, clause (4). Provides that payments to managed care and county-based purchasing plans shall not be adjusted to reflect this payment increase.
- Medicare payment limit. Amends § 256B.767. Exempts physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology and related services, and basic care services provided by a hospital that specializes in the treatment of cerebral palsy and other conditions, as specified in section 62Q.19, subdivision 1, clause (4), from the requirement that MA payment rates not exceed the Medicare payment rate for the applicable service.