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Overview

Federal law allows states to authorize certain organizations to temporarily enroll pregnant women, children, and other persons in their Medicaid programs, based on an initial screening using information such as income and household size (referred to as presumptive eligibility). In Minnesota, qualified hospitals have been allowed, since July 1, 2014, to temporarily determine medical assistance (MA) eligibility for pregnant women, children under age 21, parents and caretakers, adults without children, and certain persons who have been in foster care, using presumptive eligibility. This bill directs the Commissioner of Human Services to establish a process to allow federally qualified health centers to determine presumptive eligibility for MA applicants who are pregnant women or children under age one.

Section

- 1 Presumptive eligibility determinations made by federally qualified health centers.** Amends § 256B.057, by adding subd. 12a. Requires the commissioner to establish a process to allow federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) to determine presumptive eligibility under MA for applicants who are pregnant women and children, whose eligibility is determined using modified adjusted gross income (MAGI). Provides an effective date of January 1, 2017.