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Overview

This bill allows MA coverage for medically necessary therapy and evaluation and management services provided by a licensed chiropractor, as determined by the commissioner of human services and if specified conditions are met.

Section

1 Chiropractic services. Amends § 256B.0625, subd. 8e. The amendment to paragraph (a) provides that MA covers services related to the provision of chiropractic services and strikes language specifying coverage for one annual evaluation.

A new paragraph (b) states that MA may cover medically necessary therapy and evaluation and management services provided by a licensed chiropractor, subject to visit limits, and if the service is otherwise covered by MA and is within the individual's scope of practice. Requires the commissioner, in consultation with the Health Services Policy Committee, to specify which therapy and evaluation and management services are covered and limits coverage to those services related to a chiropractic plan of care.

Repealer. Repeals Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0245 (this rule part limits MA payment for chiropractic services to medically necessary manipulation of the spine and certain x-rays).