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Abstract: Provides requirements for the psychiatric Collaborative Care Model and requires mental health or substance abuse benefits for services delivered through the model.

Proposed law requires a health coverage plan delivered or issued for delivery in this state that provides mental health and substance abuse benefits to reimburse for such benefits that are delivered through the psychiatric Collaborative Care Model. The model includes the current procedural terminology (CPT) billing codes 99492, 99493, and 99494.

Proposed law requires the commissioner of insurance to update the CPT codes if there are any alterations or additions to the billing codes for the Collaborative Care Model.

Proposed law authorizes a health coverage plan to deny reimbursement of any CPT code provided in proposed law on the grounds of medical necessity, provided that such medical necessity determinations are in compliance with certain federal and state law.

Proposed law defines "health coverage plan", "mental health or substance abuse benefits", and "Psychiatric Collaborative Care Model"

(Adds R.S. 22:1066.2)