

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 366 (HB 55)

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Existing law requires the La. Department of Health (LDH) to ensure that comprehensive Medicaid coverage for dental care is provided to each person age 21 or older who is enrolled in any Medicaid waiver program for persons with developmental or intellectual disabilities.

New law retains existing law and extends its Medicaid dental coverage provisions to each Medicaid enrollee age 21 or older who resides in a state-licensed intermediate care facility for people with developmental disabilities (ICF).

Existing law stipulates that LDH shall not furnish Medicaid dental coverage for waiver program enrollees as provided for in existing law until all of the following have occurred:

- (1) The federal Medicaid agency (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) has approved the provision of such coverage.
- (2) The legislature has appropriated the funding necessary for the provision of such coverage.

New law applies the conditions requiring federal approval and a state appropriation to the provision of Medicaid dental coverage for ICF residents as provided for in new law.

Effective upon the effective date of an Act of the legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of new law (July 1, 2022).

(Amends R.S. 40:1250.31(A)(1))