



1           WHEREAS, when ordered by a healthcare practitioner, these respiratory panels  
2 provide a useful and effective means of identifying, quickly treating, and limiting the spread  
3 of serious respiratory infections.

4           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health  
6 to ensure that the Medicaid managed care organizations with which it contracts cover and  
7 pay for, without unnecessary restrictions, respiratory panels that include testing for  
8 SARS-CoV-2 performed by healthcare providers conducting clinical diagnostic laboratory  
9 tests ordered by Louisiana-licensed health professionals for Medicaid beneficiaries for the  
10 detection or diagnosis of respiratory infections.

11           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
12 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health and to the director of Louisiana Managed  
13 Medicaid Association.

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#### DIGEST

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Urges and requests the La. Department of Health to ensure that Medicaid managed care organizations cover and pay for certain respiratory panels.