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HEALTH/SICKLE CELL ANEM EG INCREASE GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 Provides relative to healthcare services provided to patients with sickle cell disease

Proposed law provides Medicaid coverage for digital monitoring of vital signs and 24-hour at home care for Medicaid eligibles diagnosed with sickle cell disease. Services may include hydration and oxygenation at the direction of a healthcare professional.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Federal Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Providing Medicaid coverage for digital monitoring and 24-hour at-home care for Medicaid enrollees diagnosed with sickle cell disease is anticipated to result in significant Medicaid expenditure in FY 25 and future fiscal years. Based on the number of projected eligibles and specific at-home services referenced in the proposed legislation, Medicaid expenditures are anticipated to increase by a minimum of \$1 M annually (\$257,724 SGF, 712,525 federal match in FY 25). This estimate is understated based on excluding the cost of the at-home monitoring technology. The estimate is based on the following assumptions.

- 1). 3,223 number of Medicaid enrollees diagnosed with sickle cell
- 2). Members with a diagnosis of sickle cell during FY 22-23
- 3). Remote patient monitoring program calculated using procedure codes 99453, 99454, 99458, and 99091
- 4). Total cost estimated per sickle cell recipient is \$1,911.36 annually
- 5). In-home care costs calculated for 12 months with a 15% initial uptake (utilization), and 5% year over year

To the extent utilization increases, cost will increase proportionately. The overall cost per individual is understated, as the estimate does not consider the cost of monitoring devices, as specific types of devices would vary on a case-by-case basis, depending on patient needs.


Note: The LFO is researching the additional cost associated with the purchase and maintenance of the technology.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Any additional payments in managed care under this measure will result in additional tax revenues based on the 5.5% managed care premium tax.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

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 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}


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