



**UPDATED
AMENDMENT SUMMARY**

**Health & Human
Services (HHS)
HF 653**

Status of Bill: House Calendar
Committee: Appropriations (passed Committee 15-9)
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Amendments

H-1399 by Heaton of Henry (R). This amendment makes various changes, some technical. They include:

- Reinstates partial funding of \$100,000 for Specialty Healthcare Clinics. This was eliminated in the bill.
- Reduces funding to the Direct Care Worker Advisory Council by \$87,170, for a new total appropriation of \$76,230.
- Decreases the overall Medicaid appropriation by \$200,000.
- Increases funding for the Iowa Caregivers Association by \$87,170, for a new total appropriation of \$191,190.
- Strikes language requiring an MCO to accept any willing provider as long as the provider is willing to accept the MCO reimbursement rates.
- Decrease of \$50,000 to the Circle of Care Grant, for a new total of \$1.1 million.
- Allows for carryforward funding for Adoption Subsidy.
- Reduction of \$50,000 for implementation of the ABLE Act, for a new total of \$200,000.
- New appropriation of \$200,000 to continue to expand the provision of nationally accredited and recognized internet-based training to include MHDS providers.
- New language has been added stating starting FY 18, Medicaid managed care long-term services and supports capitation rates shall be adjusted to reflect the nursing home rebasing pursuant for the patients residing in Medicaid-certified nursing facilities. In addition, MCOs must adjust facility-specific rates based upon payment rate listings issued by DHS. The rate adjustments must be applied retroactively based upon the effective date of the rate letter issued by DHS. The MCO must honor all retroactive rate adjustments including when specific provider rates are delayed or amended.
- By June 15, 2017, the State Court Administrator and the Division Administrator of DHS Division of Child and Family Services to make the determination for the distribution of funds allocated for the payment of the expenses of court-ordered services provided to juveniles which are a charge upon the state. This provision is effective upon enactment.
- The term “**rare diseases**” is clarified to only include those defined in the federal Orphan Drug Act of 1983, relating the Biological and Genetically Targeted Drugs under Medicaid.
- Changes the date for when the Juvenile Bed Cap increase is implemented to be July 1, 2017, instead of July 1, 2018.
- Strikes and replaces language from 2016 regarding the Inter-Governmental Transfer initiative between nursing homes and hospitals. The changes are made after communication with the federal government to increase Iowa’s changes for their proposal to be approved by the federal government. The changes are based upon another state’s language which did obtain approval.
- Requests a legislative interim committee evaluating the opioid epidemic. A report is due to the Governor and Legislature by November 15, 2017.

H-1410 to H-1399 by Heddens of Story (D). Eliminates the new State Family Planning program and the state-only funding for the program, \$3.4 million. As a result, the bill would maintain the Medicaid Family Planning waiver, which obtains a 90-10 match with the federal government. The remaining funding of \$2.9 million would apply to:

- \$150,000 for Elder Abuse under IDA.
- \$163,900 to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman.
- \$1 million to Tobacco Cessation and Prevention services
- \$272,600 for Cultural Competent Substance Abuse Grants.
- \$74,400 to maintain the Office of Minority and Multicultural Health
- \$112,000 for Childhood Obesity.
- \$105,500 for Specialty Healthcare Clinics.
- \$100,000 increase to Hepatitis Education, Prevention, and Treatment, which will nearly fully fund proposed program elimination in the bill.
- \$100,000 to continue the Sing Me to Heaven program
- \$820,000 to Child Care Assistance

H-1406 to H-1399 by Heaton. Requires DHS to review the use of step therapy protocols and the application of step therapy override exceptions under Medicaid. A report is due to the Legislature and Governor by November 15, 2017.

H-1407 to H-1399 by Winckler of Scott (D). Inserts language from [SF 368](#) by Sens. Ragan and Mathis, regarding improving managed care and increased oversight.

H-1408 to H-1399 by Miller of Webster (D). Inserts language which directs the Department of Inspections and Appeals, in conjunction with DHS, to establish and facilitate a committee to address the placement or housing of elderly individuals who are sexually aggressive or combative or who have unmet geropsychiatric needs. A report is due with recommendations to the Legislature and Governor by December 15, 2017.

H-1400 by Salmon of Black Hawk (R). New language is added, which prohibits federal Title 10 funding to IDPH from going to agencies that perform abortions. A tiered distribution formula is put in place. The amendment includes Right of Intervention language, and a Severability clause. **(This amendment will be withdrawn.)**

H-1401 by Salmon of Black Hawk (R). New language is added, which prohibits a person from knowingly acquire, provide, receive, otherwise transfer, or use a fetal tissue in Iowa, regardless of whether the acquisition, provision, receipt, transfer, or use is for valuable consideration. This prohibition only applies to fetal tissue obtained from an abortion on or after July 1, 2017. **(This amendment will be withdrawn.)**

H-1402 by Salmon of Black Hawk (R). New language is added, which excludes abortion providers from being awarded federal grants relating to pregnancy prevention and education. The amendment includes Right of Intervention language, and a Severability clause. **(This amendment will be withdrawn.)**