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#### **SYNOPSIS**

Provides for presumptive eligibility for home and community-based services and services provided through program of all-inclusive care for the elderly under Medicaid.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As amended by the Senate on December 11, 2023.



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AN ACT concerning presumptive eligibility for Medicaid home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> and services provided through programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly,<sup>2</sup> and supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. a. The Department of Human Services shall provide for the presumptive eligibility for home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,] <sup>4</sup> and <sup>3</sup>[programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly (PACE) <sup>2</sup>] services provided through PACE <sup>3</sup> under Medicaid for an individual who is: seeking home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,] <sup>4</sup> or PACE enrollment <sup>2</sup>; awaiting an eligibility determination for Medicaid and any applicable Medicaid waiver program offering home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,] <sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE <sup>2</sup>; and likely to be financially and clinically eligible for Medicaid and any applicable Medicaid waiver program offering home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,] <sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE <sup>2</sup>, as determined by
- b. The department shall provide Medicaid coverage for eligible home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE<sup>2</sup> to an individual who is granted <sup>1</sup>[presumptively] presumptive<sup>1</sup> eligibility pursuant to this section. Coverage provided under this subsection shall begin upon the receipt of an individual's request for services, pursuant to subsection <sup>3</sup>[c] c.<sup>3</sup> of this section, and shall be terminated if the individual is determined clinically or financially ineligible for home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE<sup>2</sup> under Medicaid during the eligibility determination process.
- c. An individual seeking presumptive eligibility for home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE<sup>2</sup> under Medicaid shall submit a request to the department in a manner and form as determined by the commissioner.
- d. <sup>1</sup>[The] An<sup>1</sup> individual granted presumptive eligibility pursuant to this section shall be required to submit a completed application for Medicaid and any applicable Medicaid waiver

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Assembly ASE committee amendments adopted June 2, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Assembly AHU committee amendments adopted February 9, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Assembly ABU committee amendments adopted June 28, 2023.

 $<sup>^4</sup>$ Senate floor amendments adopted December 11, 2023.

- program offering home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE<sup>2</sup> no later than the end of the month following the month in which presumptive eligibility is granted.
- e. <sup>2</sup>A home and community-based services provider <sup>4</sup>[, nursing 5 home facility, **1**<sup>4</sup> or PACE center shall be reimbursed for all 6 7 Medicaid-eligible services rendered to an individual who has been granted presumptive eligibility pursuant to this section, regardless 8 <sup>3</sup>[if] of whether <sup>3</sup> the individual granted presumptive eligibility is 9 determined clinically or financially ineligible for home and 10 community-based services <sup>4</sup>[, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services 11 12 provided through PACE under Medicaid during the eligibility 13 determination process.
  - <u>f.²</u> The department shall provide each individual granted presumptive eligibility pursuant to this section a written notice explaining the terms and conditions of presumptive eligibility and the home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[², nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE² the individual will be eligible to receive.
  - <sup>2</sup>[f.] g.<sup>2</sup> The commissioner shall apply for such State plan amendments or waivers as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this section and to secure federal financial participation for State Medicaid expenditures under the federal Medicaid program.
    - $^{2}$  [g.]  $\underline{h}$ . As used in this section:

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- "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Human Services.
  - "Department" means Department of Human Services.
  - "Eligibility determination" means the administrative process by which the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services or a county welfare agency reviews a beneficiary's income, financial resources, and circumstances relating to the beneficiary's application for benefits received under Medicaid or any applicable Medicaid waiver program offering home and community-based services <sup>4</sup>[<sup>2</sup>, nursing home services,]<sup>4</sup> or services provided through PACE<sup>2</sup>.
- "Medicaid" means the Medicaid program established pursuant to P.L.1968, c.413 (C.30:4D-1 et seq.).
- <sup>3</sup>"PACE" means the program of all-inclusive care for the elderly as defined in section 1 of P.L.1997, c.296 (C.26:2H-88).
- 2. The Commissioner of Human Services, in accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), shall adopt such rules and regulations as the commissioner deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

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- 1 3. This act shall take effect <sup>4</sup>[immediately] on the first day of
- 2 the 18th month next following enactment, except that the
- 3 Commissioner of Human Services may take any anticipatory
- 4 <u>administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the</u>
- 5 <u>implementation of this act</u><sup>4</sup>.