

**Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015**

SENATE BILL NO. 2320
(Senators J. Lee, Heckaman, Wanzek)
(Representatives Karls, Kempenich, Weisz)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of a medication therapy management program for medicaid-eligible individuals; to provide for a department of human services report to the appropriations committees; and to provide an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Medication therapy management program.

1. The department shall establish a medication therapy management program available to medicaid-eligible individuals in the medical and hospital benefits coverage group. The purpose of the medication therapy management program is to coordinate health care and improve the health of individuals in the identified health populations and to manage health care expenditures.
2. The department may involve physicians, pharmacists, and other health professionals in the program. Any physicians, pharmacists, and other health professionals who provide face-to-face or telephonic medication therapy management services to covered individuals in the identified health population are entitled to reimbursement.
3. The department may request the assistance of the North Dakota pharmacists association or a specified delegate to implement a formalized medication therapy program. This program must facilitate enrollment procedures, provide standards of care, enable consistent documentation of clinical and economic outcomes, and structure an outcomes reporting system.

SECTION 2. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAID MEDICATION THERAPY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM - REPORT TO SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The department of human services shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-fifth legislative assembly on the costs and benefits of the medication therapy management program for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act becomes effective on January 1, 2016.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2320.

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 0 Absent 2

House Vote: Yeas 89 Nays 2 Absent 3

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2015.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2015.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2015,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State