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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: Prime Sponsors:	LLS 24-0403 Sen. Mullica; Will Rep. Daugherty; Bradfield	Date: Bill Status: Fiscal Analyst:	May 29, 2024 Signed into Law Shukria Maktabi 303-866-4720 shukria.maktabi@coleg.gov
Bill Topic:	HEALTH FACILITY TOPICAL MEDICATION CONTINUED CARE		
Summary of Fiscal Impact:	☐ State Revenue☒ State Expenditure	☐ State Transfer ☐ TABOR Refund	☐ Local Government☐ Statutory Public Entity
	The bill allows health facilities to provide discharged patients with unused portions of topical medications for continued use. The bill minimally increases state expenditures in FY 2024-25 only.		
Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.		
Fiscal Note Status:	The final fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.		

Summary of Legislation

The bill allows health care providers and facilities to provide unused portions of certain topical medications to patients upon discharge. The medication must be required for the continued treatment of the patient and must have been used at the health facility during the patient's visit.

The bill requires that provided medications adhere to existing labeling requirements and clarifies that health facilities and providers are responsible for counseling the patient on medication use.

State Expenditures

In FY 2024-25 only, workload will minimally increase in the Department of Regulatory Agencies to perform outreach and education to providers on the new policy. Workload for state health care facilities may similarly increase to train staff on this policy change. These workload impacts are expected to be minimal and can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

This bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on April 22, 2024.

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