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HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING

HOUSE BILL 08-1094

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AN ACT

CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES UNDER THE "COLORADO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ACT".

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 25.5-4-409 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

25.5-4-409. Authorization of services - nurse anesthetists - advanced practice nurses. (2) When services by a certified pediatric nurse practitioner or a certified family nurse practitioner AN ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-38-111.5, C.R.S., are provided in accordance with this article AND articles 5 and 6 of this title, and section 12-38-103 (10), C.R.S., the executive director of the state department shall authorize reimbursement for said services. Payment for such THE services shall be made directly to the nurse practitioner ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, if requested by the nurse practitioner ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE; except that this section shall not apply to nurse practitioners ADVANCE PRACTICE NURSES when acting within the scope of their employment as salaried employees of public or private institutions or physicians.

SECTION 2. 25.5-5-102 (1) (j), (1) (k), and (1) (l), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

25.5-5-102. Basic services for the categorically needy - mandated services. (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section and section 25.5-4-104, the program for the categorically needy shall include the following services as mandated and defined by federal law:

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

- (j) Nurse-midwife services ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE SERVICES;
- (k) Pediatric nurse practitioner services;
- (l) Family nurse practitioner services;

SECTION 3. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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