



Summary of the 2023 Session of the Missouri General Assembly

## **MEDICAID**

### **Hospital Reimbursement**

Bill: HB 11

Sections Affected: 11.770 and 11.772

- » Adds \$20 million in general revenue to supplant the Federal Reimbursement Allowance (providing a \$20 million tax cut)
- » Adds \$25 million in enhanced rates for inpatient behavioral health care
- » Adds \$15 million to fund MO HealthNet's Transformation of Rural Community Health pilot

### **Medicaid Applications**

Bill: SBs 45 & 90

Section Affected: 208.072, RSMo

» Allows a responsible third party to make Medicaid applications for incapacitated individuals or minors

### **Medicaid Coverage for Postpartum Women**

Bills: <u>SBs 45 & 90</u>, <u>SB 106</u> Section Affected: 208.662

> Extends Medicaid coverage for postpartum women from 60 days to 12 months following the end of the pregnancy

### **Out-of-State Payments**

Bill: SBs 45 & 90

Section Affected: 208.186, RSMo

- » Prohibits Medicaid payments for services to individuals who are not Missouri residents
- » Contains an emergency clause

# LICENSED PERSONNEL

### **Advanced Practice Registered Nurses**

Bills: HBs 115 & 99, HB 402, SB 70, SB 157

Sections Affected: 195.070, 334.104, 335.016, 335.019, 335.036, 335.046, 335.051, 335.056, 335.076, 335.086 and 335.175, RSMo

- » Provides controlled substance prescriptive authority to APRNs in hospice environments
- » Extends the geographic proximity requirement to 200 miles for APRNs providing services in a correctional center and allows for a waiver of requirements in other circumstances
- » Requires supervision and chart review at least once every two weeks when an APRN diagnoses and initiates treatment for acutely or chronically ill or injured persons



- » Removes the one-month supervision requirement for APRNs continuing to care for existing patients when a new physician enters the practice
- » Creates a licensure category for APRNs and specifies licensure requirements

### **Physician Assistants**

Bills: <u>HB 402</u>, <u>SB 70</u>, <u>SB 157</u>

Sections Affected: 334.735 and 334.747, RSMo

» Authorizes a physician assistant to prescribe Schedule II controlled substances for hospice patients and limits prescriptions for Schedule III narcotics to a five-day supply with no refill

### **Assistant Physicians**

Bills: HBs 115 & 99, SB 70, SB 157 Section Affected: 334.036, RSMo

- » Requires an applicant for licensure to be a graduate of a medical school accredited by specific organizations
- » Eliminates the authorization for physician assistants to practice in pilot project areas

### **Nursing Home Administrators**

Bill: SB 157

Sections Affected: 344.045, 344.055 and 344.102, RSMo

- » Directs the Board of Nursing Home Administrators to establish procedures for handling complaints against licensees
- » Maintains confidentiality of certain records associated with licensees
- » Prohibits an individual from serving as a nursing home administrator if his or her license has been revoked

### **Pharmacist Administration of Medication**

Bills: HBs 115 & 99, SBs 45 & 90, SB 157 Sections Affected: 338.010 and 338.012

- » Allows a pharmacist with a certificate of medication therapeutic plan authority to provide medication therapy services pursuant to a written physician protocol for patients with which the physician has an established physician/patient relationship
- » Describes vaccines that may be administered by a pharmacist

#### **Interstate Medical Licensure Compact**

Bills: SB 70, SB 157

Section Affected: 334.043, 334.1600 – 334.1720, RSMo

» Allows licensure reciprocity for physicians licensed in other compact states



### **Physical Therapists**

Bills: HBs 115 & 99, SB 511, SB 70, SB 157

Sections Affected: 334.100, 334.506 and 334.613, RSMo

» Allows physical therapists with a doctorate degree or five years of clinical practice to treat patients without a physician referral for 10 visits or 30 days, whichever occurs first

### **Social Workers**

Bills: SB 70, SB 157

Sections Affected: 337.615, 337.644, 337.665 and 337.1000 – 337.1075, RSMo

» Implements the interstate Social Work Licensure Compact

### **PHARMACY**

### **Prescription Labeling**

Bills: <u>HB 402</u>, <u>SB 70</u>, <u>SB 157</u> Section Affected: 195.100

» Removes the requirement that a collaborating physician's name appear on a prescription label for drugs prescribed by an APRN or physician assistant

# **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER**

### **Budget Items**

Bill: <u>HB 10</u>

» Adds \$2 million to expand the EPICC program to two new regions of the state

#### **Notarization of Civil Commitment Forms**

Bills: <u>HB 402</u>, <u>SB 106</u>

Section Affected: 632.305, RSMo

- » Clarifies that no notarization is required for an application for civil detention, as well as any supporting documents
- » States that all documents may be signed with a declaration under penalty of perjury

### **At-Risk Behavioral Health Patients**

Bill: HB 402

Section Affected: 197.145

- » Allows a hospital to temporarily hold an at-risk behavioral health patient for the purpose of evaluation and transfer to an appropriate treatment facility if the physician has reason to believe the patient is at imminent serious risk of harming self or others
- » Protects physicians, hospital staff, emergency medical services personnel and law enforcement from civil liability for actions taken in good faith to hold an at-risk patient



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Senate Bill 51 has been signed by the governor.

### **Fentanyl Testing**

Bills: HB 402; SB 24; SBs 45 & 90; SB 70; SB 186; SBs 189, 36 & 37

Section Affected: 579.088

» Legalizes devices or equipment used to test for the presence of fentanyl or synthetic fentanyl

#### **Naloxone**

Bills: <u>SB 24</u>, <u>SBs 45 & 90</u>, <u>SB 70</u>, <u>SB 157</u>, <u>SB 186</u> Sections Affected: 190.255 and 195.206, RSMo

» Modifies the definition of opioid antagonist to include any drug or device approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration that blocks the effect of an opioid overdose and allows such agents to be administered by first responders

#### **Behavioral Health Services**

Bill: **SB 106** 

Section Affected: 552.020

» Requires a psychiatrist, psychologist or physician to assess whether an accused individual determined to lack the mental fitness for trial be treated in a hospital or detention facility

### **Nonopioid Directive Forms**

Bills: <u>HB 402</u>, <u>SB 24</u>, <u>SB 70</u>, <u>SB 157</u> Section Affected: 192.530, RSMo

» Provisions\* in HB 402 authorize the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services to develop a form to be used by patients to refuse the prescription or administration of an opioid

# **WORKFORCE**

### **Budget Items**

Bills: HB 7, HB 10

Sections Affected: 7.480, 10.766, 10.110 and 10.425

- » Adds \$5 million to fund additional grants for the Nurse Education Incentive Program
- » Adds \$2.3 million to fund state-based residency programs in primary care and psychiatry

### **Primary Care Residencies**

Bills: HB 417, SBs 45 & 90, SB 106, SB 157

Section Affected: 191.592, RSMo

» Establishes state-funded residency slots in general primary care and psychiatry – the criteria for selection will be administered by DHSS

### **Nurse Education Incentive Program**



<sup>\*</sup>These provisions were repealed by SB 24, SB 70 and SB 157. Language was added to those bills directing DHSS to include an advance health directive form on its website and list its possible uses, including to limit pain control to nonopioid measures.

Bills: HB 402, HB 417, SBs 45 & 90, SB 70, SB 106, SB 157

Sections Affected: 335.203 and 335.205, RSMo

» Removes the cap on grants provided by the Nurse Education Incentive Program and provides for additional funding through increased nurse licensure fees

### **Health Professional Loan Repayment**

Bills: HB 402, SBs 45 & 90, SB 70, SB 106, SB 157

Sections Affected: 191.430, 191.435, 191.445 and 191.450, RSMo

» Establishes within DHSS a program to provide forgivable loans for educational expenses for health care, mental health and public health professionals

### **Upskill Credentials**

Bill: HB 417

Section Affected: 620.2500

» Establishes a grant program within the Missouri Department of Economic Development to provide grants to qualifying employers for employees who obtain enhanced credentials

# **HOSPITAL LICENSURE**

### **Rural Emergency Hospitals**

Bills: HB 402, SB 24, SBs 45 & 90, SB 106

Sections Affected: 197.005 and 197.020, RSMo

» Revises the definition of hospital to include a Rural Emergency Hospital designated by CMS and establishes the Medicare Conditions of Participation as the standard for licensure

# **PATIENT CARE**

### **Invasive Patient Examinations**

Bills: HB 402, SBs 45 & 90, SB 106

Section Affected: 191.240

» Prohibits health care providers, students or trainees from performing prostate, anal or pelvic exams on anesthetized or unconscious patients without informed consent unless the exam is necessary for diagnostic or treatment purposes or the collection of forensic evidence for suspected sexual assault

### **Gender Transitioning Treatment**

Bill: SBs 49, 236 & 164

Sections Affected: 191.1720, 208.152 and 217.230

- » Prohibits a health care provider from providing gender-transitioning treatment to minors, including surgeries, cross-sex hormones or puberty blocking drugs
- » Exempts minors who receive cross-sex hormones or puberty blocking drugs before Aug. 28, 2023
- » Directs that the prohibition on cross-sex hormones and puberty blocking drugs expire Aug. 28, 2027



- » Prohibits MO HealthNet from covering such treatments
- » Prohibits prison, jails and correctional facilities from providing gender-transition surgeries

### **Patient Boarding**

Bill: HB 402

Section Affected: 630.1150, RSMo

- » Directs the Missouri Departments of Social Services and Mental Health to collaborate to assess patient boarding of foster children and DMH clients, as well as to identify solutions
- » Bill: HB 10
- » Includes \$2 million to reimburse hospitals for DMH clients who are developmentally disabled that are boarding in hospitals

# **HOSPITAL OPERATIONS**

### **Surgical Smoke**

Bill: HB 402

Section Affected: 197.185

» Requires hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers accredited by The Joint Commission to adopt policies and procedures for the evacuation of surgical smoke in conformance with TJC requirements

#### **Do-Not-Resuscitate Orders**

Bills: HB 402, SBs 45 & 90

Sections Affected: 190.600, 190.603, 190.606, 190.612 and 190.613

- » Authorizes a parent or legal guardian to implement an Out-of-Hospital DNR for individuals under
- » Authorizes the acceptance of DNR orders from other states or territories, including TPOPP and POLST forms

# **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

### **First Responders**

Bills: HB 402; SB 24; SB 186; SBs 189, 36 & 37

Sections Affected: 67.145, 105.500, 190.100, 190.103, 190.142, 190.147, 192.2405, 208.1032, 285.040, 321.225, 321.620 and 537.037

- » Removes references to ambulance attendants, drivers, mobile emergency medical technicians, emergency medical technician basic, emergency medical technician intermediate and emergency medical technician paramedic and replaces with the newly defined term of paramedic
- » Establishes requirements for paramedic training programs
- » Defines first responders for the purpose of statutory restrictions on political activities by first responders

### **Emergency Medical Dispatchers**



Bills: <u>HB 402</u>, <u>SB 24</u>, <u>SB 186</u>

Sections Affected: 650.320 and 650.340

» Establishes standards for training emergency medical dispatchers

# DATA COLLECTION

### Parkinson's Disease Registry

Bill: HB 402

Sections Affected: 191.1820 - 191.1855, RSMo

» Directs the University of Missouri to establish a Parkinson's disease registry and requires all cases of Parkinson's disease be reported to the registry unless the patient opts out

## INSURANCE COVERAGE

#### **Breast Exams**

Bill: **SB** 106

Sections Affected:192.775, 376.782 and 376.1183

- » Prohibits certain mammography facilities from requiring a referral for a screening mammogram
- » Prohibits cost-sharing requirements for certain low-dose mammography screenings when a separate provision of law prohibits such requirements
- » Prohibits cost-sharing requirements for diagnostic breast exams, supplemental breast exams or low-dose mammography screenings

# AWARENESS DESIGNATIONS

### **Rare Kidney Disease Awareness Month**

Bills: HB 402, SBs 45 & 90 Sections Affected: 9.384/9.388

» Designates March as Rare Kidney Disease Awareness Month

### **Breast Cancer Awareness Day**

Bills: SBs 45 & 90, SB 139 Section Affected: 9.371

Establishes the first Saturday of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Day

### **Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder Awareness Day**

Links to enacted bills will be to the "Truly Agreed and Finally Passed" version.

There may be a short delay in posting final versions.

Bill: SBs 45 & 90

Section Affected: 9.381

Establishes Oct. 2 as Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder Awareness Day

# UNSUCCESSFUL LEGISLATION





#### Insurance

Payer reforms for 340B and white bagging - <u>HB 198</u> and <u>SB 26</u> Prior authorization processes - <u>HB 1045</u> and <u>SB 576</u> Cost-sharing under health benefit plans - <u>HB 442</u> and <u>SB 402</u> Farm Bureau health care benefit plans - <u>HB 464</u> and <u>SB 11</u> Honest Billing Act - <u>SB 610</u>

#### Workforce

Staffing ratios – <u>HB 322</u> and <u>HB 1012</u>
Workplace violence reporting – <u>HB 1356</u>
Prohibitions on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion programs – <u>HB 489</u> and <u>SB 410</u>
Covenants not to compete – <u>HB 139</u>
CRNA scope of practice – <u>HB 329</u> and <u>SB 27</u>
Childcare tax credits – <u>HB 870</u> and <u>SB 509</u>
Staffing agency practices – <u>SB 261</u>

### **Hospital Operations**

Certificate of Need modification or repeal – <u>HB 168</u>, <u>HB 777</u>, <u>SB 204</u> and <u>SB 303</u> Hospital price transparency – <u>HB 1161</u> Pharmacy services in hospitals – <u>HB 966</u> Collection of forensic evidence in the emergency room – <u>HB 826</u> Hypodermic needles – <u>HB 1245</u> and <u>SB 623</u>

#### **Tort Reform**

Statute of limitations – <u>HB 272</u> and <u>SB 117</u> Collateral source – <u>HB 273</u>

### Medicaid

Work requirements and annual funding discretion for Medicaid expansion – HJR 63 and SJR 4

### Immunizations/Public Health

Prohibitions against vaccine mandates, experimental treatments and public health orders  $-\underline{\text{HB 205}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{HB}}$  262, HB 336, HB 445, HB 700, SB 99 and SB 169

#### **Patient Care**

Prescription drug monitoring program repeal – <u>SB 289</u> Telehealth – <u>HB 710</u>, <u>HB 1098</u> and <u>SB 669</u> Anatomic pathology services – <u>SB 559</u>

### Licensure

Board of Healing Arts – <u>HB 1279</u>

